

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

Since August 2015

Information Specialist  
Cochrane Public Health Group

Since April 2014

Information Specialist  
University for Continuing Education Krems (Danube University), Department for Evidence-based Medicine and Evaluation and Cochrane Austria

2012 – 2013

Documentalist (postgraduate traineeship)  
Bayerischer Rundfunk, München (Germany)

2010 – 2011

Research Assistant  
Bauhaus-Universität Weimar, Internationales Kolleg für Kulturtechnikforschung und Medienphilosophie (IKKM), Weimar (Germany)

2009

Trainee  
European Commission, Directorate-General Information Society and Media, Luxembourg (Luxembourg)

2008 – 2010

Tutor  
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Institut für Musikwissenschaft und Medienwissenschaft, Berlin (Germany)

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2013

Institut für Information und Dokumentation, Potsdam (Germany)  
Post-graduate program for Information and Documentation

2002 – 2007

Dipl. Kulturwissenschaftlerin Medien / Maîtrise en Information-Communication  
EQF level 7  
Bauhaus Universität Weimar / Université Lumière Lyon 2, Weimar (Germany) and Lyon (France)  
Bilingual program European Media Culture:  
2002-2003: Bauhaus-Universität Weimar  
2003-2005: Université Lumière Lyon II  
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## MEMBERSHIPS

Since 2018

Since 2021

Cochrane Information Specialist Executive (Co-convenor since 2021)  
European Association for Health Information and Libraries (EAHIL) Council

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- **Klerings, I.**, S. Robalino, A. Booth, C. M. Escobar-Liquitay, I. Sommer, G. Gartlehner, D. Devane, and S. Waffenschmidt. 2023. 'Rapid reviews methods series: Guidance on literature search', BMJ evidence-based medicine.
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- Nussbaumer-Streit, B., **I. Klerings**, A. I. Dobrescu, E. Persad, A. Stevens, C. Garrity, C. Kamel, L. Affengruber, V. J. King, and G. Gartlehner. 2020. 'Excluding non-English publications from evidence-syntheses did not change conclusions: a meta-epidemiological study', *Journal of clinical epidemiology*, 118: 42-54.
- Nussbaumer-Streit, B., **I. Klerings**, G. Wagner, T. L. Heise, A. I. Dobrescu, S. Armijo-Olivo, J. M. Stratil, E. Persad, S. K. Lhachimi, M. G. Van Noord, T. Mittermayr, H. Zeeb, L. Hemkens, and G. Gartlehner. 2018. 'Abbreviated literature searches were viable alternatives to comprehensive searches: a meta-epidemiological study', *J Clin Epidemiol*, 102: 1-11.
- Kerschner, B., J. Wipplinger, **I. Klerings**, and G. Gartlehner. 2015. '[How evidence-based are print- and online mass media in Austria? A quantitative analysis]', *Z Evid Fortbild Qual Gesundhwes*, 109: 341-9.
- **Klerings, I.**, A. S. Weinhandl, and K. J. Thaler. 2015. 'Information overload in healthcare: too much of a good thing?', *Z Evid Fortbild Qual Gesundhwes*, 109: 285-90.
- Thaler, K., C. Kien, B. Nussbaumer, M. G. Van Noord, U. Griebler, **I. Klerings**, and G. Gartlehner. 2015. 'Inadequate use and regulation of interventions against publication bias decreases their effectiveness: a systematic review', *J Clin Epidemiol*, 68: 792-802.