

I would like to present my CV with a focus on my relationship to religion as follows:

I was born in Vienna in 1966.

I was baptized and became a member of the Roman Catholic Church. I attended religious instruction for a few years, but was never actually a believer. When I earned my first income, I immediately left the church when I was asked to pay church tax.

I studied law and graduated with a master's degree.

During my studies, I became friends with a Christian man who constantly tried to proselytize me. This was a burden for me.

I became a civil servant in the Ministry of Finance. For 15 years, I worked in a kind of judicial capacity, often handling appeals from large corporations. In this job, I practiced my critical logical thinking, my weighing up of true and false. Here I had to realize that statements made by consultants sometimes clearly missed the facts and the applicable legal situation.

Because I was looking for a change, I did not continue my work as an appeals officer and did not apply to become a judge, which is what the former appeals officers in the Financial Directorate subsequently became.

My interest went in the direction of international tax law. Alongside my work, I completed a postgraduate course in international tax law and took part in EU projects. I subsequently worked for 15 years as a specialist in international tax law, where I had to assess legal cases and where I was also able to use my foreign language skills, mainly English, but also occasionally Italian and French (I also have a reasonable knowledge of Spanish).

The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001 awakened my interest in religion, which had hardly existed before. After I kept hearing in the media and especially from Muslim theologians that this terrorist attack and other frequent terrorist attacks had nothing to do with Islam and the Koran, I was motivated to get a clear picture for myself. I bought a German-language edition of the Koran and analyzed it on my own, marking and glossing over false and violence-promoting statements. It was very clear to me that violence and terror, including suicide attacks, did indeed originate from the Koran. All in all, the Koran was by far the most horrible book I had ever read in my life. The book is full of mistakes, extremely devalues the so-called infidels and motivates violence against them. Apart from the fact that the needy should be supported, I didn't find a single sensible thought in the entire Koran.

As a result, I also read the Bible myself. Here too, after a critical analysis, I came to the conclusion that it was a uniquely inferior book. The Old Testament in particular, the Tanakh as it were, was full of brute force, primitive groupthink and an accumulation of stupid and false statements, even lies. Above all, the idea of the

existence of only one God was simply sickening and absurd to me in view of a human history with millions of worshipped gods. I couldn't keep up with highlighting mistakes and atrocities. In my opinion, the New Testament with the stories about Jesus also contained numerous false statements, even central lies, and morally repugnant statements.

My interest in religion was awakened, so much so that I joined the Austrian Freethinkers' Association and wrote several articles for their magazine, but above all wrote a large number of reviews, especially of books in the field of religious criticism. I also read a considerable number of books and attended events at various educational institutions, including those with a religious orientation. However, I only attended one lecture from the subject of Catholic theology because I couldn't bear to sit through it to the end and I expected something similar from other events. The lecturer used a turgid, barely comprehensible language.

After dealing with the subject for some time and the numerous conflicts and excesses of violence triggered in this context, I came to regard religion as something predominantly negative and gods as mere constructs of human beings. I kept writing texts about this myself, which ultimately resulted in a book that was published by Angelika Lenz Verlag in 2015.

In addition to my intensive involvement with religion, I was also interested in philosophical questions, especially those of ethics, because I was looking for the question of peaceful coexistence without religion. I therefore attended an ethics course at the University of Vienna and also studied philosophy, but without a degree, because I was confronted with a lot of what I considered to be absurd content in philosophy studies - similar to religions - which I didn't want to delve into and on which I didn't want to take an exam. This applies in particular to many questions from the field of metaphysics.

Even after the book was published, I continued to deal with religion, and I have developed to the extent that I have clearly recognized what God is. It is not a being. It is just a human construct. It also has no value at all. Only that which actually exists has any value. I came to a complete re-evaluation: God is not the highest, God is the lowest.

I also realized that the non-existent God only serves the respective priesthood to exercise power and enrich themselves at the expense of their own misled believers. Yes, the idea of a single God, which comes from the Tanakh, and the various invented miraculous stories, represent for me even the biggest lie of mankind. In the slipstream of the invented figure of God, the priesthood leads a good life. People who believe they obey and worship God are in fact only doing so to the priesthood.

Since the idea of only one God also represents a great danger to humanity, which would even lead to its extinction, I am trying to reach as many people as possible

with this website. As a rational, critical person, I would like to contribute to overcoming the fatal aberration of religion.

I am currently retired, but I am still an active and comprehensively interested person.