# ANTONIA ERZ, Ph.D.

# Curriculum Vitae

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#### **RESEARCH PROFILE**

I am primarily interested in human and consumer behavior in the context of digital environments. My main research focuses on questions such as how and why people use social and online media and how reviews and other stimuli and cues in the digital environment affect their judgements and decision-making. One core topic is the emerging group of social media influencers with the aim to understand their self-branding efforts, and, as such, their role in communicating and branding products, services, and experiences to follower audiences online. Methodologically, I am pragmatic and use both quantitative (incl. survey and experimental designs) and qualitative methods, often in triangulation.

## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. (Doctor of Philosophy in Management), University of St. Gallen, Switzerland, 2011

"Perceiving Innovations: The Role of Processing Fluency", magna cum laude

Advisors: Prof. Dr. Torsten Tomczak, Prof. Dr. Andreas Herrmann

Diploma Social and Economic Communications, University of Arts Berlin, Germany, 2005

Grade: excellent (1.12); German diploma is the equivalent to a Master's degree

# ACADEMIC POSTS

Copenhagen Business School, Denmark, 2019 –
Associate Professor
Copenhagen Business School, Denmark, 2017 –
Post-doc researcher with teaching responsibilities
Copenhagen Business School, Denmark, 2013 – 2016
Assistant Professor
Copenhagen Business School, Denmark, 2012–2013
Post-doc researcher
Copenhagen Business School, Department of Marketing, Denmark, 2010
Visiting scholar
University of St. Gallen, Institute for Customer Insight, Switzerland, 2007–2011
Research Assistant and Ph.D. Student

#### **RESEARCH GRANTS**

#### Awarded

EU Marie-Curie Actions/7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme/People, 2012–2015

Individual Post-doc fellowship, project FLUENTBRAND  $\approx 160,000 \notin$ 

Fellowship for Young Researchers (Study Abroad), 2010

Swiss National Science Foundation, research stay at Copenhagen Business School ≈ 32,000 €

Grant for the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, 2009

Swiss National Science Foundation, at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA  $\approx 2,000 \notin$ 

## AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

#### Ad-hoc reviewing (journals and conferences)

Journal of Consumer Research; Journal of Interactive Marketing; Journal of Business Research; European Management Journal; Journal of Brand Management; Journal of Consumer Behavior; Industrial and Corporate Change

Advances in Consumer Research Conference (ACR), since 2012; European Marketing Academy Conference (EMAC), since 2011; Society for Consumer Psychology Conference (SCP), since 2012; American Marketing Academy (AMA) Winter/Summer conference, since 2011

#### Service to the community

Associate Editor, area Marketing, European Management Journal Track co-chair "Social Media Marketing" (together with Ben Marder), Academy of Marketing Science World Marketing Congress 2019 Session chair, EMAC 2016

#### Service to the Department of Marketing and CBS

Departmental Education Advisor (from 2020 on) Elective coordinator (2019) Shop steward (Tillidsrepræsentant) Member of the Department Forum Co-founder and member of the Digital Marketing Research Cluster Member of the departmental Work Environment Group (2017-2019) Expert member of the first Digital Transformation Roundtable (2019)

## Affiliations

European Marketing Academy (EMAC) - representative 2018-2019

#### **Departmental affiliations**

Co-founder and member of the Digital Marketing Research Group Member of the Consumer Research Cluster Co-founder and member of the Social Media Research Group (2015-2017)

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

#### Peer-reviewed journal publications

- Lavertu, Laura, Ben Marder, Antonia Erz, & Robert Angell (2020): "The Extended Warming Effect of Social Media : Examining Whether the Cognition of Online Audiences Offline Drives Prosocial Behavior in 'Real Life'", *Computers in Human Behavior*, 110 (September), https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2020.106389.
- Marder, Ben, Antonia Erz, Rob Angell, & Kirk Plangger (2019), "The Role of Photograph Aesthetics on Online Review Sites: Effects of Management- versus Traveler-generated Photos on Tourists' Decision Making", *Journal of Travel Research*, Online first: December 30, 2019, https://doi.org/10.1177/0047287519895125.
- Marder, Ben, David Houghton, Antonia Erz, Lloyd Harris, and Ana Javornik (2019), "Smile(y) and your students will smile with you? The effects of emoticons on impressions, evaluations, and behaviour in staff-to-student communication", *Studies in Higher Education*, Online first: April 8, 2019, https://doi.org/10.1080/03075079.2019.1602760.

Featured, amongst others, in:

*The Times, https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/emojis-help-lecturers-bond-with-students-study-finds-x3t9xjwbk;* 

tes online, https://www.tes.com/news/teachers-urged-use-emoji-their-students;

CBS WIRE, https://cbswire.dk/why-teachers-should-use-emojis-more-often-O;

*Djøfbladet*, https://www.djoefbladet.dk:443/artikler/2019/6/smileyer-g-oe-r-dig-dummere-men-varmere.aspx

- Marder, Ben, David Gattig, Emily Collins, Leyland Pitt, Jan Kietzmann, and Antonia Erz (2019), "The Avatar's New Clothes: Understanding Why Players Purchase Non-Functional Items in Free-to-Play Games", *Computers in Human Behavior*, 91 (February), 72-83, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2018.09.006.
- Erz, Antonia, Ben Marder, and Elena Osadchaya (2018), "Hashtags: Motivational Drivers, Their Use, and Differences between Influencers and Followers", *Computers in Human Behavior*, 89 (December), 48-60, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2018.07.030.
- Erz, Antonia and Anna-Bertha Heeris Christensen (2018), "Transforming Consumers Into Brands: Tracing Transformation Processes of the Practice of Blogging", *Journal of Interactive Marketing*, 43 (August), 69-82, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.intmar.2017.12.002.

# Peer-reviewed conference proceedings and presentations

- 7. Erz, Antonia, Elena Osadchaya, and Ben Marder (2018), "Consuming and Producing on Social Media: A Uses and Gratifications Perspective on Motives of Hashtag Use on Instagram", *paper presented at the 48th EMAC Conference, Glasgow, UK.*
- 8. Erz, Antonia, Anna-Bertha Heeris-Christensen, and Richard Gyrd-Jones (2016), "'I blog so I become': Studying the Transformational Power of Fashion Blogging on Consumer Bloggers' Self-Concepts", *paper presented at the 46th EMAC Conference, Oslo, Norway.*

- Erz, Antonia and Bo T. Christensen (2015), "Can You Say My Name? Effects of Phonological Fluency on Memory of Non-Word Brand Names", *paper presented at the French-Austrian-German* Workshop on Consumer Behaviour, Bayreuth, Germany. Best Conference Paper Award
- 10. Erz, Antonia and Bo T. Christensen (2015), "Can You Say My Name? Effects of Phonological Fluency on Memory of Non-Word Brand Names", *paper presented at the 45th EMAC Conference, Leuven, Belgium.*
- 11. Erz, Antonia and Bo T. Christensen (2014), "Fluency Effects on Brand Name Recognition and Preference: The Role of Product Context, *working paper presented at the Society for Consumer Psychology Conference, Miami, Florida, USA.*
- Erz, Antonia and Bo T. Christensen (2014), "Challenging the Superiority of Phonological Fluency: The Role of Product Context and Competing Fluency in Brand Name Recognition", in *NA - Advances in Consumer Research* Volume 42, eds. June Cotte and Stacy Wood, Duluth, MN: Association for Consumer Research, p. 783 (working paper).
- Erz, Antonia and Bo T. Christensen (2013), "Effects of Ease-of-Pronunciation on Non-Word Memory and Product Judgments", in *E - European Advances in Consumer Research* Volume 10, eds. Gert Cornelissen, Elena Reutskaja, and Ana Valenzuela, Duluth, MN: Association for Consumer Research, pp. 196-197.
- Erz, Antonia, Bo T. Christensen, and Torsten Tomczak (2012), "Easy Like a Sunday Morning: How the Fluency of Analogies Affects Innovation Liking", in *NA - Advances in Consumer Research* Volume 40, eds. Zeynep Gürhan-Canli, Cele Otnes, and Rui (Juliet) Zhu, Duluth, MN: Association for Consumer Research, pp. 866-867. (*AJG 2*)
- 15. Erz, Antonia, Torsten Tomczak, and Bo T. Christensen (2011). "Advertising Really New Products: The Role of Processing Fluency of Analogies and Its Effects on Consumers' Responses", *paper presented at the 40th EMAC Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia.*
- 16. Erz, Antonia, Torsten Tomczak, and Oliver Gassmann (2010), "Advertising New Products: Exploring the Effects of Information and Product Complexity on Consumers' Responses", *paper presented at the 39th EMAC Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark.*
- Mühlmeier, Silke, Antonia Erz, Torsten Tomczak, and Wolfgang Jenewein (2009), "Business Strategies of Treacy and Wiersema: The Impact of Marketing Capabilities and Product Life Cycle", in AMA Winter Educators' Conference Proceedings, 2009. AMA Winter Educators' Conference, Tampa, Florida, USA.

#### Book chapters and other peer-reviewed publications

- Tollin, Karin, Antonia Erz, and Jesper Vej (2017), "The Strategic Viewpoints of Innovation and Marketing Teams on the Development of Novel Functional Foods", in *New Product Development in Nutraceuticals & Functional Foods: From Concept to Market*, eds. Debasis Bagchi and Sreejayan Nair, London: Academic Press, 63-83.
- Erz, Antonia, Sven Henkel, and Torsten Tomczak (2008), "Weg vom negativen Branchenimage: Mit Subtyping zur Arbeitgebermarke" ["Avoiding a Negative Industry Image: Using Subtyping to Enhance Employer Brands."], *Marketing Review St. Gallen*, 25 (5), 22-25.
- 20. Erz, Antonia and Torsten Tomczak (2008), "Kollaboration im Web 2.0: Chancen für das Behavioral Branding" ["Collaboration in Web 2.0: Opportunities for Behavioral Branding"], in *Interaktives*

*Marketing - Neue Wege zum Dialog mit Kunden*, eds. Christian Belz, Marcus Schögel, Oliver Arndt, and Verena Walter, Wiesbaden, Germany: Gabler, 323-336.

21. Forster, Anja, Antonia Erz, and Wolfgang Jenewein (2008), "Employer Branding - Ein konzeptioneller Ansatz zur markenorientierten Mitarbeiterführung" ["Employer Branding – A Conceptual Approach to Brand-Oriented Leadership"], in *Behavioral Branding - Wie Mitarbeiterverhalten die Marke stärkt*, eds. Torsten Tomczak, Franz-Rudolf Esch, Joachim Kernstock, and Andreas Herrmann, Wiesbaden, Germany: Gabler, 277-294.

#### Ph.D. Thesis

22. Erz, Antonia (2011). Perceiving Innovations: The Role of Processing Fluency. Dissertation. St. Gallen: University of St. Gallen.

#### **DISSEMINATION & PRESS (Selection)**

"Smileyer gør dig dummere, men rarere", Djøfbladet, June 19, 2019, https://www.djoefbladet.dk:443/artikler/2019/6/smileyer-g-oe-r-dig-dummere-men-varmere.aspx

"Why teachers should use emojis more often", The Wire, May 23, 2019, https://cbswire.dk/why-teachers-should-use-emojis-more-often-©/

"Teachers urged to use emojis with their students", tes, April 12, 2019, https://www.tes.com/news/teachersurged-use-emoji-their-students

"Emojis help lecturers bond with students, study finds", The Times, April 13, 2019,

https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/emojis-help-lecturers-bond-with-students-study-finds-x3t9xjwbk

"Influencerne tjener fedt på at være venner med dig: Men kan du stole på en reklamesøjle?", Politiken, Simon Roliggaard, Emilie Maarbjerg Mørk, December 22, 2018

"Kunde-anmeldelser på web kan give eller koste kunder", Bladet Arbejdsgiverne, Amalie Klitgaard, October 16, 2018

"Social Media Influencers – Consumers, Opinion Leaders, or Brands in Their Own Right?", invited research talk at the University of Edinburgh Business School, June 2018.

"Increasing Feedback Through Blended Learning. Organization, Advantages, and Pitfalls", invited talk at the Educating Innovative Thinkers Conference, CBS, May 2017.

"I tweet, so I am? Social Media and Our Lives as Consumers", research talk directed at the wider public at the Danish Science Festival, Copenhagen, April 2017.

"The Empowered Consumer – Co-Creation of Brand Meaning (Identity) on Social Media", invited talk at the CBS Executive Alumni Conference, with Richard Gyrd-Jones, June 2015.

"Say My Name! How the Ease with Which Consumers Pronounce Brand Names Affects Preferences and Memory", in Nyhedsbrevet om Forbrugeradfærd (departmental newsletter directed at practitioners and the wider public), No. 22, 2014, p. 2-9.

"Should Brand Names Roll of the Tongue?", research summary published on

http://www.cbs.dk/en/research/departments-and-centres/department-of-marketing/news/should-brand-names-roll-off-the-tongue, 2014.

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### Copenhagen Business School, 2013 -

#### Courses

Marketing, Creativity, and Innovation (MSc), 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 Teacher
Marketing Research in Innovation Processes (MSc), 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017 Course coordinator and teacher
The Power of (Marketing) Language (MSc), 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 Course coordinator and teacher; Blended Learning Course
Consumer Behavior (BSc), 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 Course coordinator and teacher; Blended Learning Course
Project-oriented Marketing Research Program, 2017, 2018 Course coordinator and supervisor

#### Supervision of Master's and Bachelor's theses

#### Committee member on Ph.D. pre-defenses

*Dalia Bagdziunaite*: "Brains at Brand Touchpoints: Consumer neuroscience study of brand advertising and store environment processing in compulsive buying", grad. 2018, Department of Marketing, CBS *Morten Friis-Olivarius*: "The Associative Nature of Creativity", grad. 2014, Department of Marketing, CBS

#### Ph.D. student supervision

Anna-Bertha Heeris Christensen (start: September 2018); secondary supervisor (primary supervisor: Richard Gyrd-Jones), Department of Marketing, CBS

Sebastian Oliver, University of Edinburgh, Business School, external PhD-supervisor (primary supervisor: Ben Marder, University of Edinburgh, Business School)

#### Kalaidos University of Applied Sciences, Zurich, Switzerland, 2009 –2011

External lecturer in Innovation Marketing and Management

#### **QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS, & AWARDS**

## Assistant Professor Program in Teaching and Pedagogical Competence, Copenhagen Business School, 2013–2015

Completed with "extraordinarily competent" based on student evaluations, coursework, written reflections, and peer supervision and evaluation

Course work:

Learning to teach

- Technology enhanced teaching and learning
- Course planning and management
- Case-based teaching

- Master's thesis supervision
- Writing-process reengineering
- Oral examination and assessment

# ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, USA, 2009, 2014

Training in regression and univariate analysis, structural equation modelling, network analysis, SPSS, R

#### **Methodological Skills**

- Experimental and survey design
- Quantitative data analysis
  - Advanced knowledge of SPSS, including advanced regression methods and uni-/ multivariate analysis
  - Elementary knowledge of R, Structural Equation Modelling
- Qualitative methods and analysis
  - content analysis and in-depth interviews
  - NVivo

#### Certificate of Excellence in Education, awarded 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

Departmental award recognizing outstanding teaching

Certificate of Excellence in Research, awarded 2020

Departmental award recognizing outstanding research

#### Languages

German (native proficiency), English (full professional proficiency), Danish (conversational), Spanish (elementary), French (elementary), Latin

#### **INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE**

# University of St. Gallen, Institute for Customer Insight, Switzerland, 2007-2011

Project coordinator and consultant (Behavioral Branding Program, Center for Innovation)

IAV GmbH, Berlin, Germany, 2005–2007

Junior Marketing Manager

IAV Inc., Ann Arbor, MI, USA, 2004–2005

Intern Marketing

IBM, Berlin, Germany, 2002–2004

Project Assistant in Public Relations

# Töchter + Söhne (Communication Agency), Berlin, Germany, 2001–2002 Manager HR/PR

Diverse editorial/PR internships, Stuttgart, Germany, 1999-2000

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