

# SELAM WOLDEMARIAM

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## CURRENT POSITION

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**European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research**  
**Researcher**

**Vienna, Austria**  
01/2025 – present

- Team member in the Health and Care unit
- Conduct empirical research on health, ageing, and long-term care from social policy perspective.
- Contribute to acquisition activities and research proposals.
- Dissemination of research's findings through journal articles, reports and policy briefs.
- Present research's findings at national and international workshops and events with partners and stakeholders.
- Participation in the following research projects:
  - COhort cOMmunity Research and Development Infrastructure Network for Access Throughout Europe (COORDINATE) project (01/2025-03/2025)
  - Good practice in supporting informal carers (02/2025-12/2025)
  - Older person affected by violence and abuse in Austria (01/2025-08/2026)
  - Supporting the implementation of Slovenia's long-term care reform (10/2025-10/2028)
  - Cyberbullying and Policies to Address Violence Against Children and Adolescents in Digital Spaces (01/2026-12/2026)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Karl Landsteiner Gesellschaft (KLI)**  
**Researcher**

**Vienna, Austria**  
08/2021 – 12/2024

- Team member in the Health Promotion unit
- Conducting quantitative and qualitative research on health, ageing, and health services.
- Support in research grant acquisition and proposals.
- Contribute to peer-reviewed scientific publications.
- Represent Karl Landsteiner Gesellschaft and the Medical University of Vienna at national and international conferences.

## EDUCATION

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**PhD in Public Health**

Medical University of Vienna (MUV)

**10/2021 – 11/2025**

Vienna, Austria

**M.A in International Health, and Social Management**

Management Centre Innsbruck (MCI)

**01/09/2019 – 19/05/2021**

Innsbruck, Austria

**B.A in International Relations and Anthropology**

Luther College

**01/08/2012 – 01/05/2016**

Decorah, Iowa

## PUBLICATIONS IN SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS

- **Woldemariam, S**, Oberndorfer, M., Haider, S., Stein, KV., & Dorner, TE. “Association between frailty and subsequent disability trajectories among older adults: a growth curve longitudinal analysis from the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (2004-19)”. *European journal Public Health* (2024) <https://doi:10.1093/eurpub/ckae146>.
- **Woldemariam, S**; Haider, S; Stein, KV & Dorner TE. Trends over time in the deficit of (instrumental) activities of daily living in the Austrian population aged 65 years and older. Results from the Austrian Health Interview Survey series. *Wien Klin Wochenschr* (2024) <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00508-024-02388-4>
- Hubert, M; **Woldemariam, S**; Gisinger, C; & Dorner, TE. “Association of gut microbiome with muscle mass, muscle strength, and muscle performance in older adults: A systematic review”. *International journal of environmental research and public health* (2024). <https://doi:10.3390/ijerph21091246>
- **Woldemariam, S**; Dorner, TE; Wiesinger, T; Stein, KV. Multi-omics approaches for precision obesity management – potentials and limitations of omics in precision prevention, treatment, and risk reduction of obesity. *Wien Klin Wochenschr* (2023)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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- **Woldemariam, S**; Stolz, E; Stein, KV., Dorner, TE, & Haider, S. “The impact of frailty on hospital utilisation trajectories in older adults in Europe from 2004 to 2019”. Manuscript submitted in *European journal of ageing*.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- Dorner, T. E., Lackinger, C., Haider, S., **Woldemariam, S**. Lifestyle Parameters in Patients with Diabetes Mellitus and in the General Adult Population – Trends over Five Years: Results of the Austrian National Health Interview Series. *International journal of environmental research and public health*, 18(18), 9910. The 27<sup>th</sup> WONCA Europe Conference, London, UK. June 2022.
- **Woldemariam, S.**, Stein, KV., Haider, S., Mangler, M., & Dorner, TE. Factors associated with informal, and professional care, and unmet care needs in persons with deficits in activities of daily living in Austria. Results of two population-based surveys in people aged  $\geq 65$  years. The 23<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Integrated Care, Antwerp, Belgium. May 2023.
- **Woldemariam, S.**, Oberndorfer, M., Haider, S., Stein, KV., & Dorner, TE. The effect of baseline frailty on disability trajectories in community-dwelling older adults: Evidence from the Survey of Health Ageing Retirement in Europe (SHARE). ÖGPH Conference, St Pölten, Austria. May 2023.
- **Woldemariam, S.**, Stein KV, Haider S, & Dorner TE. Association between frailty and hospitalisation among older adults: Evidence from the survey of health and Ageing Research in Europe (2004-2019). ÖGPH Conference, Innsbruck, Austria. October 2024.
- **Woldemariam, S.**, Oberndorfer, M., Haider, S., Stein, KV., & Dorner, TE. Association between frailty and subsequent disability trajectories among older adults: A growth curve analysis from the Survey of Health Ageing Retirement in Europe (SHARE). ÖGPH Conference, Innsbruck, Austria. October 2024.

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

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- News articles in Austria media outlets about disability prevalence in Austria (selected). [Heute](#), [Die Presse](#), [MSN](#)
- *Panelist*. [Press release](#) on Demographic, Digitalization of Healthcare. European Health Forum Gastein 2023, Bad Hofgastein, Austria. September 2023.
- *Organiser*. [Workshops](#) on gender equality and access to healthcare. Austria.

## **SKILLS and TECHNIQUES**

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- Proficient in multilevel modelling, and longitudinal panel-data.
- Experienced in software programming in R and STATA.
- Proficient in qualitative research design such as conducting structures and semi-structured interviews, and conducting systematic review through software programming in Nvivo, EndNote and Zotero.
- Project management and excellent organisational skills.
- Excellent communication and public speaking skills.
- Excellent ability to work in diverse and multicultural work environment.
- Advanced mentoring skills.

## **JOURNAL REVIWER**

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- European Journal of Public Health (2022–present)
- Wiener klinische Wochenschrift - The Central European Journal of Medicine (2022–present)

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

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- Member, Austrian Association of Public Health (since 03/2022)
- Member, European Public Health Association (since 03/2022)
- Founding Member, Women in Global Health (WGH) Austrian Chapter (since 01/2023)
- Member, ASPHER's Young Professionals (since 12/2023)