

Short CV of Carola DOERR, née WINZEN (as of 05/2026)

Personal Data

Name: Doerr (formerly Winzen), Carola
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Publications: [complete list](#), [Google Scholar](#), [dblp](#)
Career breaks: Maternity leaves in 2013 and 2015

Current and Previous Academic and Industrial Positions

since 2023 **Scientific advisor** (“déléguee scientifique”) of the Computer Science institute of the French National Center for Scientific Research ([CNRS](#)), 40% employment
since 2013 **Full-time permanent researcher** with CNRS, located at the computer science lab [LIP6](#) of [Sorbonne Université](#), Paris, France. Since 10/2022: **research director**
2012-2013 PostDoc at LIAFA (now [IRIF](#)), Université Paris Cité, France
2012-2013 PostDoc at [Max Planck Institute for Informatics](#), Saarbrücken, Germany
2010-2011 PhD student at [Max Planck Institute for Informatics](#), Saarbrücken, Germany
2007-2012 Business Consultant with [McKinsey & Co.](#) Munich, Germany.
(on educational leave from 01/2010 and working part-time 10/2011-01/2012)

Education

2020 **Habilitation** (HDR), [Sorbonne Université](#), Paris, France
2010-2011 **Ph.D.** studies in Computer Science (Dr.-Ing., with distinction, **summa cum laude**)
[Max Planck Institute for Informatics](#) and [Saarland University](#), Germany
2003-2007 **Diploma** in Mathematics (Dipl.-Math., “**very good**”). [Kiel University](#), Germany

Fellowships and Distinctions (Selection)

2024-2029 **ERC Consolidator grant** dynaBBO: Dynamic Selection and Configuration of Black-box Optimization Algorithms
2010-2023 **7 Best paper awards** at ACM Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference (GECCO), '25, '23, '22, '16, '13, '12, '10
2022 **CNRS bronze medal**, highest distinction for young researchers in France
2021 Best paper award at IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation
2021 Best paper award at EvoApplications, European conference on evol. computation
2020 **1st and 3rd prize** at the NeurIPS 2020 black-box competition
2014 Offer to lead an Independent Minerva Research Group within the Max Planck Society (5 years, German W2 salary scale, 3 team members + expenses funded, declined)
2013 **Otto Hahn Medal**, Young researcher award of the Max Planck Society
2012-2013 2-years PostDoc fellowship of the **Alexander von Humboldt foundation**
2010-2012 **Google Europe PhD Fellowship** covering my salary and all expenses

Supervision of Early Career Researchers

since 2020 supervised **11 PostDocs** (4 ongoing) and **2 Research Engineers** (1 ongoing)
since 2015 (co-)supervised **13 PhD students** (4 ongoing, 9 graduated)

Recent Editorial Responsibilities and Program Committee Chairs

2026 **co-Editor in Chief**, ACM Transactions on Evolutionary Learning and Optimization
2025 **PC co-chair** of the AutoML conference, of the BBSR track at ACM GECCO conference, **Area chair** ECAI, ...
2024 **PC co-chair** BBSR track at ACM GECCO, **Area chair** ECAI, and **PC member** of ESA (track B)
since 2024 **Associate Editor**, Evolutionary Computation Journal (MIT press)
2023 **PC co-chair** of the GECH track at ACM GECCO conference
since 2022 **Associate Editor**, IEEE Transactions on Evolutionary Computation