

Curriculum vitae

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Professional career

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| 01/2016 to present | Full Professor for Population Geography and Demography, University of Vienna |
| 11/2016 to present | Research Scholar, World Population (POP) Program, International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), Laxenburg |
| 10/2013 to present | Research group leader in the Department of Geography, University of Bonn
Research group leader and principle investigators of the projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Building resilience through translocality. Climate change, migration and social resilience of rural communities in Thailand" (BMBF)• "Violent regulation and social-ecological transformation of wetland ecosystems in East Africa" (DFG)• "Trans-local relations and the reorganization of socio-ecological systems in Kenya and South Africa" (DFG) |
| 04/2013 to 09/2013 | Deputy Professor for social geography with focus in sustainability research in the Department of Geography, Ludwig-Maximilians-University (LMU), Munich |
| 01/2011 to 12/2012 | Visiting researcher at the Institute for Environment and Human Security of the United Nations University (UNU-EHS)
Assistance with the empirical design of two projects entitled "Human mobility in the Horn of Africa" and "Where the rain falls. Climate change, hunger and human mobility". Supervision of case studies in Ethiopia and Thailand. |
| 04/2010 to 04/2013 | Senior researcher in the Department of Geography, (Chair: Prof. Dr. H.-G. Bohle), University of Bonn
Responsible for the subproject "Violent regulation and social-ecological transformation of wetland ecosystems in East Africa" within the DFG-funded research group "Resilience, collapse and reorganisation in social-ecological systems of East and South Africa's Savannahs". Own empirical research in Kenya. Organisation of workshops and conferences. Supervision or partial supervision of bachelor's, Diplom and doctoral theses. Writing research applications. Teaching courses. |
| 11/2004 to 03/2009 | Research associate in the Department of Geography (Chair: Prof. Dr. H.-G. Bohle), University of Bonn
Responsible for the DFG/BMZ project "Adaptation behaviour and negotiation processes. How vulnerable groups in Chennai, South India, cope with water-related health risks". Teaching courses. |

Academic and school record

10/2010	Doctor of Science, University of Bonn (supervisor: Prof. Dr. H.-G. Bohle) Title of doctoral dissertation: Places and spaces of health vulnerability. Bourdieu's theory of practice for the analysis of illness and health in mega-urban slums in Chennai, South India The dissertation is a study of how vulnerable groups act in the context of health risks and problems related to illness. The concept of vulnerability is linked to Bourdieu's theory of practice. The results are based on extensive data which were gathered using qualitative, participatory and quantitative methods.
09/2004	Diplom in Geography, University of Heidelberg Title of Diplom thesis: International labour migration as a livelihood strategy. A case study from north-east Thailand This discussion of the causes, patterns and effects of international labour migration is based on an empirical study carried out in a village in rural north-east Thailand.
12/2001	Master of Social Change and Development, University of Wollongong, Australia
06/1996	Abitur (university entrance qualification), Heinrich-Heine- Gymnasium, Kaiserslautern

Awards and scholarships

07/2011	KfW-Förderpreis, prize for excellent practice-relevant research in the field of development Awarded for doctoral dissertation
12/2005 to 04/2006	Munich Re Foundation Part financing of field research in India
03/2003 to 05/2003	DAAD short term grant for thesis work abroad Part financing of field research in Thailand
03/2000 to 09/2004	Friedrich-Ebert Foundation, Student scholarship

School and university career

11/2004 to 10/2010	Doctoral programme in Geography, University of Bonn
03/2002 to 09/2004	Completion of Diplom programme in Geography, University of Heidelberg
02/2001 to 12/2001	Master's degree programme in Social Change and Development, University of Wollongong, Australia
03/1998 to 01/2001	Diplom courses in Geography, University of Heidelberg
07/1989 to 06/1996	Heinrich-Heine-Gymnasium, Kaiserslautern
06/1982 to 06/1989	Kasetsart University Laboratory School, Bangkok, Thailand