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Nationality

German

Date of birth

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Gender

Male

Desired employment / Occupational field

Economic Consultant / Researcher

Work experience

Dates

01 June 1994 →

Occupation or position held

Partner; senior researcher

Main activities and responsibilities

- Consultancy and research on EU cohesion policy (team leader of several ERDF, EAFRD and ESF programme evaluations; elaboration of quantitative evaluation designs, studies on financial administration of structural interventions, studies on urban, rural and territorial development, relationship between cohesion policy and EU market integration, analysis of science & technology policy, etc.) on behalf of the European Commission, European Parliament, international consultancy firms, economic research bodies and several ministries or administrations (e.g. HMWVL Hessen, HMULV Hessen, MWVLW Rhineland-Palatinate, MWEIMH NRW, SMWA Saxony, MAFF Slovenia, MPF Romania, INTERREG secretariats, ENRD Evaluation helpdesk, Finnish Ministry of Economic Affairs and Labour).
- Consultancy on preparation of EU regional policy for Accession Countries (Czech Republic, Hungary, Bulgaria, Romania, Slovakia, Poland, Croatia and Slovenija) on behalf of EU-Phare
- Several consultancy missions on behalf of German Technical Cooperation on regional policy and poverty alleviation policies; international consultancy in Uganda, Indonesia, Azerbaijan, South Africa, Albania, Syria, Libya, Ethiopia, Ghana and Ukraine
- Research: participation at symposia, presentation of research papers, mainly on EU spatial policies and market integration and urban economics, numerous internationally published papers and book reviews in *PLOS One*, *Review of Regional Research*, *Journal of Borderlands Studies*, *Regional Studies*, *IUP Journal of Applied Economics*, *Journal of Common Market Studies*, *Development Policy Review*, *Orient and Libyan Studies*.

Name and address of employer

PRAC Bergs & Issa Partnership Co.

Im Hopfengarten 19b, 65812 Bad Soden (Germany)

Type of business or sector

economic and social research

Dates

01 October 1993 - 30 May 1994

Occupation or position held

Planning officer

Main activities and responsibilities

- Responsible for project concepts and evaluation (particularly for faculties of Economics and

Name and address of employer	Business and science parks) • Interface 'University – Regional Economy' • Conceptualisation of performance monitoring of higher education projects Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit GmbH Dag-Hammarskjöld-Weg 1-2, 65760 Eschborn (Germany)
Type of business or sector	Bi-lateral development donor organisation
Dates	01/07/1991 - 31/05/1993
Occupation or position held	Partner and self-employed consultant
Main activities and responsibilities	Partner and self-employed consultant in the fields of higher education in Economics and Social Sciences, regional & structural policy and SME-support Main assignments: Zimbabwe: Planning and backstopping of 'Rural Artisan Training & Establishment' (RATE) (on behalf of GTZ) Germany: NUTS III level contribution to the Operational Programme 'Objective 1 Sachsen-Anhalt': Consultancy for 'Promotion of Endogenous Economic Potentials in the Rural District of Osterburg (in co-operation with Dr. Peschke & Partner, Bad Homburg / Germany) Germany: Study on alternative utilisations of an old power station estate in Stendal (in co-operation with Dr. Peschke & Partner); Contribution to the feasibility study for the BIC Stendal (on behalf of Peschke & Partner)
Name and address of employer	Bürogemeinschaft Umwelt, Entwicklungsplanung und Wirtschaftsförderung, Frankfurt am Main (Germany) Niddastrasse 66-68 (Haus Leipzig), 60329 Frankfurt (Germany)
Type of business or sector	Consulting
Dates	01 November 1989 - 30 June 1991
Occupation or position held	Consultant
Main activities and responsibilities	Consultant for regional development and science policy Main fields of activity: • Project proposals • Project management • On-site consultancies in Germany, Libya and Bahama Islands
Name and address of employer	Environ Consulting GmbH Große Friedberger Straße 16-20, 60313 Frankfurt (Germany)
Type of business or sector	Consulting
Dates	05 December 1988 - 31 October 1989
Occupation or position held	free-lance researcher / consultant
Main activities and responsibilities	• Research project applications in collaboration with the Geographic Institute of the University of Würzburg /Germany: Regional and structural change in the Maghreb • Guest lecturer in development economics at the Université Tunis I / Tunisia
Name and address of employer	Bergs - Policy Research & Consultancy Erzberger Straße 26, 65933 Frankfurt (Germany)
Type of business or sector	Research and consulting
Dates	01 June 1986 - 04 December 1988
Occupation or position held	PhD researcher
Main activities and responsibilities	Research on development planning and economic policy in Libya During that time: • Consultant on behalf of LHÜ and GTZ (1984 and 1987) • School of Oriental & African Studies, University of London: Research on regional and structural change in Libya (1988)
Name and address of employer	University of Frankfurt Senckenberganlage 31, 60325 Frankfurt (Germany)
Type of business or sector	Tertiary education

Dates	15/05/1981 - 15/09/1981																																												
Occupation or position held	Internship																																												
Main activities and responsibilities	Assistant journalist for local economic and political affairs Reporting																																												
Name and address of employer	Neue Ruhrzeitung Am Königlichen Hof, 47441 Moers (Germany)																																												
Type of business or sector	Print media																																												
Education and training																																													
Dates	01/09/1981 - 05/12/1988																																												
Title of qualification awarded	Ph.D.																																												
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	Political science, economics, sociology Major field of study: International political economy																																												
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Goethe-University Frankfurt																																												
Dates	01 January 2003 - 01 June 2005 (part-time continuous study)																																												
Title of qualification awarded	Diploma (final examination under approved invigilation at the University of Frankfurt)																																												
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	Business economics																																												
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	British College of Professional Management (UK distance study college)																																												
Level in national or international classification	ASET NVQ 4 (Diploma of Higher Education)																																												
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Social skills and competences	Numerous short-term overseas assignments to Arab countries, Sub-saharan Africa and Asia for the purpose to evaluate development projects or to professionally train people. Communication competencies in foreign cultural environments have been highly important for that.																																												
Organisational skills and competences	Business management, Organisation of (scientific) seminars																																												
Technical skills and competences	Compilation and processing of spatial data (e.g. Urban Audit Analysis and population and income data of EU-ENPI cross-border regions), Quantitative programme evaluation design, Office software, statistical and econometric analysis software (multivariate analysis such as factor or cluster analysis, ANOVA, OLS regression, Logit/Probit, Propensity score matching, spatial econometrics, etc.), stochastic approaches of risk and cost assessment (such as reduction of income and property damage risk through flood protection), GIS and nocturnal satellite imagery analysis, social physics, Input-output analysis.																																												

Computer skills and competences	MS Office, Stata, ImageJ, QuantumGIS
Artistic skills and competences	Music: Jazz guitar (skills slightly faded),
Other skills and competences	Sports: engaged medium distance and marathon runner; mountain biker and cyclist
Driving licence(s)	A1, B
Additional information	Publications: Numerous international publications (books, articles in books and refereed journals, published working papers)
Annexes	

PUBLICATIONS, REPORTS MEMBERSHIP AND TRAINING COURSES

Publications:

- 'Libyen, ein Modell, an dem sich die Geister scheiden', in *IKA* 27, 1985, S. 30-33
- 'Das libysche Entwicklungsmodell und die wirtschaftliche Krise seit 1981', in Operschall / Teuber: *Libyen - Die verkannte Revolution*, Promedia-Verlag, Wien, 1987, S. 87-113
- 'Problems of Industrialisation in Libya since the Revolution', in *Libyan Studies Yearbook* 19, London, 1988, pp. 133-140
- *Erdöl - Self-Reliance - Krise: Der Entwicklungsweg Libyens unter Qaddafi 1969-1988*, IKO-Verlag, Frankfurt, 1989, X + 238 Seiten
- 'Productive Investment and Regionalisation in the Context of the Libyan Self-Reliance Strategy', in Buru/McLachlan: *Libya - State and Region*, SOAS Publications, London, 1989, pp. 31-45
- 'Mésure et indicateurs du 'seuil de développement économique' - Un instrument pour la recherche et la planification?', in *Cahier du CERES* 18, Tunis, 1991, pp. 115-135
- 'Der libysche Raffinerie- und Petrochemiektor', in *ORIENT* 2/1992, S. 243-251
- *Management and Supervision of Small Credit Schemes for Rural Microbusiness*, GTZ working paper, Eschborn, 1992, 38 pages
- *Grundlagen der Armutsminderung - Definitionen, Indikatoren und ausgewählte Strategieansätze*, GTZ working paper, Eschborn, 1996, 37 Seiten
- 'Regional- und Strukturpolitik in Entwicklungsländern im Rahmen von Armutsminderung und Wirtschaftsförderung', GTZ/ IDAG-Armutsminderung, Eschborn, April 1996
- Gemeinsam mit Fadhel Labbouz: 'Probleme der Armut und Wohlfahrtspflege in Nordafrika', in *WUQUF* 1996 (Deutsches Orient-Institut), Hamburg 1997, S. 295-322
- 'Business Innovation and Technology Centres in Germany', in: Department of Trade and Industry (ed.), *Small Business: The Engine of Local Economic Development*, Durban 1997
- Gemeinsam mit Herbert Albrecht und Karlheinz Knickel: Regionalpolitik und Armutsminderung - Zur Übertragbarkeit europäischer Konzepte auf Entwicklungsländer, in *Entwicklung und Ländlicher Raum* 1/1998
- Gemeinsam mit Karlheinz Knickel: *Development Strategies at National and Provincial Level: Perspectives for Regional and Structural Policy in South Africa*, Institut für ländliche Strukturforschung, Working Paper 12/1997, Frankfurt, 1997
- Book reviews (W.Hatch and K.Yamamura: *Asia in Japan's Embrace*, Cambridge, 1996 / L. Schätzl et.al.: *Regional Development and Decentralisation Policy in South Korea, Singapore*, 1997) in *Development Policy Review*, (Overseas Development Institute, London) Vol. 16, 1/1998
- Book review (Jeffrey A. Frankel [ed.]: *The Regionalisation of the World Economy*, Chicago, 1998), in *Development Policy Review* Vol. 16, 3/1998
- Book reviews (Edmond Malinvaud et al: *Development Strategy and Management of the Market Economy I*, Oxford, 1997 / Istvan Székely and Richard Sabot [ed.]: *Development Strategy and Management of the Market Economy II*, Oxford, 1997/ Villy Bergström [ed.]: *Government and Growth*, Oxford, 1997), in *Development Policy Review*, Vol. 16, 4/1998
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- , 'Wirtschaftspolitik und Stagnation in Libyen am Ende der 90er Jahre: Eine Bestandsaufnahme unter Rückgriff auf Prognosen von Benjamin Higgins aus den 50er und 60er Jahren', in Konrad Schliephake (Hg.): *Libyen und nordwestliches Ägypten: Aktuelle Elemente der räumlichen Entwicklung*, Reihe: Würzburger Geographische Manuskripte, Heft 51, Würzburg, 1999
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- , 'Die Rolle der Regionalpolitik in der Stabilisierung der Arbeitsmärkte Mittel- und Osteuropas', in GTZ/Programmbüro Privatisierung [Hg.]: *Privatisierung durch Politikberatung und Wirtschaftskooperation*, Eschborn
- 'The Political Economy of Supranational Institutions: Two Recent Contrary Standpoints', in *Development Policy Review* Vol. 18, 3/2000
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- Beleidsonderzoeg in Duitsland, Interview with J.S. Schmidt, in *Basis – Periodiek voor Beleids- en Consumentenonderzoek*, 1/2002
- 'Book review (T.N. Srinivasan: Economic Policy and State Intervention, New Delhi 2001, / Hans Singer: International Development Co-operation, Basingstoke, 2001), in *Development Policy Review* Vol. 20, 2/2002
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