

Curriculum Vitae

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Main competences

MSc in Applied Agricultural Sciences with a focus on socioeconomic aspects of agriculture and rural development.

Specific knowledge and experience in:

- Socioeconomic research from design to reporting
- Rural livelihoods and innovation in agriculture
- Private sector development (M4P / MSD approach)
- Transboundary research collaboration
- Participatory Learning and Action (PLA)
- Project management
- Workshop facilitation and event organisation
- Communications and media
- Republic of Georgia, India, Afghanistan

Academic and further education

Oct 2017	Training for Facilitators - How to lead your group events efficiently and effectively. 5-days training of AGRIDEA in Einsiedeln SZ
Sept 2014 - June 2017	MSc in Life Sciences, Applied Agricultural and Forest Sciences, Major Value Chains and Rural Development, at BFH-HAFL Thesis: Ex-ante assessment of the adoption potential of innovations in finger millet and pigeon pea cropping in South India
Sept 2010 - Dec 2013	BSc in International Agriculture at BFH-HAFL Thesis: Extension as an embedded service: an approach for small and medium-sized enterprises to market high quality fodder in the Republic of Georgia
Aug 2007 - May 2008	12-day course in intercultural animation (AikA) at Romerohaus Lucerne, Lucerne LU

Professional experience

Since August 2018	Scientific collaborator in the Master Division of BFH-HAFL
July 2014 - July 2018	Research assistant in the Master Division of BFH-HAFL: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Research assistance (see examples of recent projects below)- Teaching assistance in a module about Participatory Learning and Action (PLA)- Secretariat of the Swiss Forum of International Agricultural Research (SFIAR) and the SDC Shareweb Agriculture & Food Security- Internal and external communications Master Division and MSc program Agriculture and Forest Sciences- Event organisation
Oct - Dec 2015	Internship at the editorial office of the Federal Palace, Swiss Radio and Television (SRG-SRF), Bern, Switzerland
Feb - June 2014	Teaching assistant in the Agro-Economy Section of BFH-HAFL
May - Oct 2013	Field Assignment at the MOLI in Kakheti Project, Republic of Georgia (in combination with the BSc thesis)
Summer 2012	Student assistant of Dr Urs Scheidegger, Head Master Program BFH-HAFL
June - July 2010	Internship at the Swiss Research Station Agroscope Reckenholz-Tänikon ART, Varieties and Seeds Section, Zürich Affoltern, Switzerland
Sept 2009 - Apr 2010	Internship at the community for people with special needs "Temi", Gremi, Republic of Georgia
Aug 2008 - July 2009	Pre-study internship for BFH-HAFL at the organic farm "Les Sapins" in Colombier VD, Switzerland
Aug 2007 - May 2008	Internship at the Centre for Asylum Seekers Neckermühle, Brunnadern-Neckertal, Switzerland

Examples of recent research projects

- Mar 2017 - Aug 2018 Capitalization of Transboundary Collaboration within the Indo-Swiss Collaboration of Biotechnology (ISCB)
- Aug 2016 - July 2017 Potentials and Limitations for Improved Natural Resource Management in Mountain Communities in the Rustaq District, Afghanistan; for more information see [final report](#).
- July 2014 - Oct 2017 Biofertilization and Bioirrigation for Sustainable Mixed Cropping of Finger Millet and Pigeon Pea (BIOFI), one of four Networks of [ISCB](#).

Volunteer activities

- Since 2009 Community for people with special needs [Temi](#) in Gremi, Republic of Georgia:
- External communications (social media, website)
 - Translation (Georgian-German/English)
 - Gardening and arts and crafts with Temi residents
- Summer 2012 HEKS project "[Neue Gärten](#)": weekly gardening together with migrants in Burgdorf BE, Switzerland
- 2006 - 2008 Solidaritätsnetz Ostschweiz: supporting asylum seekers in the valley of Toggenburg, Switzerland
- 2006 - 2008 Social and Environmental Forum of Eastern Switzerland (SUFO): member of the organisational committee and participation in the World Social Forum 2007 in Nairobi, Kenya

Language skills

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| German | Mother tongue |
| English | Fluent speaking, reading and writing |
| French | Fluent speaking, reading and writing |
| Georgian | Fluent speaking, good reading and writing |

Software skills

- Strong knowledge of MS Office software
- Strong knowledge of IBM SPSS Statistics
- Good knowledge of Microsoft Moviemaker and iMovie
- Basic knowledge of R Studio

Zollikofen, August 2018, Pia Fehle