

## CURRICULUM VITAE

## Personal Details

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## Education

Institution (Date from - Date to)	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, Basel, Switzerland (1999-2001)	PhD in epidemiology
Export Academy, Reutlingen, Germany (1995-1997)	MBA (highest possible grade), Post-graduate program in 'Inter-national Marketing' (focal point: 'Asia/Pacific') <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Study abroad at the Tongji University in Shanghai, PR China in connection with the MBA study with focal point 'Asia/Pacific'</li> <li>- MBA thesis with the Division of Tropical Disease Research (TDR), World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland, 1996</li> </ul> <i>Scholarship from the Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD), Germany</i>
University of Valencia, Valencia, Spain (1994-1995)	International Master in Tropical, Parasitic Diseases (Master Internacional en Enfermedades Parasitarias Tropicales) <i>Scholarship from the Boehringer Ingelheim Fond, Germany</i>
Eberhard-Karls University, Tuebingen, Germany (1989-1994)	Master of Science (highest possible grade) Main subjects: Physiology, Parasitology, Psychology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diploma thesis with the Institute for Tropical Medicine, Eberhard-Karls University, Tuebingen, Germany, 1993-1994</li> </ul>
University 'La Sapienza', Rome, Italy, 1988-1989	Study of Biology

## Honours

Part of the list "100 Women Leaders in Global Health – Germany"

<https://www.womeningh.org/wgh-germany>

## Language skills (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
German (mother tongue)	1	1	1
English	1	1	1
French	1	1	2
Spanish	2	3	4
Arabic	5	5	5

### Other Skills

- **Computer skills:** MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) / Macintosh; Statistic program (SPSS, EpiInfo, EpiData, STATA, QGIS- Geographic Information System, ATLAS)
- **Special trainings:** Capacity WORKS (GIZ), Impact Oriented Monitoring and Evaluation; Development cooperation in the context of conflict, violence and fragility (GIZ), Post Disaster Needs Assessment (GFDRR)/GIZ; Sphere in Practice, Core Humanitarian Standard - Training of Trainers; Coordinated Assessment and Information Management (CAIM) Training (OCHA), Mediator in Conflicts - Training, Short Term Election Observer (OSCE)

### Present position

Consultant and project coordinator in the field of public health/epidemiology, evaluations and humanitarian aid

### Years within the firm

8 years

### Key qualifications

- Planning, monitoring, and evaluation of projects in humanitarian assistance
- Evaluation of projects in the health sector by using methods of empirical research and participatory approaches
- Knowledge and experience in the application of OECD-DAC criteria for evaluation
- Training and teaching in Public Health
- Moderation of symposiums, meetings, working groups and discussions
- Experience with cross-cutting themes (e.g. Agenda 2030, Gender, Universal Health Coverage)
- Experience with technical cooperation instruments

### Specific experience in the region

Country	Date from - Date to
Iraq	January 2016
Syria	August 2017
Iraq	March 2019

## Professional Experience

Date from - to	Location	Company	Position	Description
Since 2014	Germany	Aktion Deutschland Hilft (ADH) <i>moke@aktion-deutschland-hilft.de</i>	External evaluation expert	Professional support of the “evaluations” working group at Aktion Deutschland Hilft (ADH, Germany’s Relief Coalition); planning and coordination of international evaluations, identification of best practices and recommended actions, management of research studies, moderation of meetings and workshops.
Since 2013	Germany, Belgium	Federal Center for Health Education - Bundeszentrale für gesundheitliche Aufklärung (BZgA) <i>monika.koester@bzga.de</i>	External expert	Professional support for European-wide projects on international health; moderation of meetings, symposiums and workshops.
Since 2012	Germany	Universities	Lecturer	Lecturer in lecture series “global health” for different universities in Germany.
Since 2009	Germany, Belgium	European Commission	External evaluator	External evaluator for project proposals and mid-/end-term reports submitted to ‘Horizon 2020’ and the 7 <sup>th</sup> EU Framework Programme for Research (FP7) of the European Commission.
<b>2019</b>				
02/2019 - 05/2019	Iraq, Kurdistan	German Society for International Cooperation Development (GIZ) <i>holger.zahn@giz.de</i>	Evaluator	Project appraisal: Consolidation & Nexus Project KRI to improve the provision of basic services in the sectors of health, water & sanitation, and education & social support for the vulnerable population.
Since 09/2018	Ghana, Kumasi; Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	GOPA mbH <i>christina.hembrock@gopa.de</i>	Evaluator	Accompanying evaluation of the Initiative “Hospital Partnerships – Partners Strengthen Health”; case studies in Ghana and Ethiopia.
Since 02/2019	Malawi, Blantyre; France	Epicentre / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) <i>Augusto.llosa@epicentre.msf.org</i>	Study Coordinator	Technical support and backstopping of a study to estimate the cervical precancer screening coverage in Blantyre City and Chiradzulu District, Malawi.
<b>2018</b>				
08/2018 - 01/2019	Democratic Republic of the Congo, Bukavu	Health Focus GmbH <i>doerlemann@health-focus.de</i>	Evaluator	Feasibility study to establish a reference laboratory in Bukavu, DR Congo.

09/2017 - 07/2018	Tunisia, Germany	German Society for International Cooperation Development (GIZ) / Robert Koch Institute <i>Halma@rki.de</i>	External expert	Technical support of the concept development, implementation and facilitation of "Joint Integrated Laboratory and Epidemiology" (Lab Epi) trainings in Tunisia.
04/2015 - 04/2018	Liberia, Monrovia; France	Epicentre / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) <i>klaudia.porten@epicentre.msf.org</i>	Study Coordinator	Technical support and backstopping of a study to estimate the seroprevalence of Anti-Ebola antibodies in Monrovia, Liberia.
<b>2017</b>				
08/2017-09/2017	Syria, Raqqa Governorate, Ein Nissa camp	Epicentre / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) <i>klaudia.porten@epicentre.msf.org</i>	Evaluator	Evaluation and strengthening of the surveillance system and screening on arrival process; focus group discussions held with internal displaced persons in Ein Nissa camp, Raqqa Governorate, North Syria.
01/2017 - 09/2017	Ethiopia, Humera; France	Epicentre / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) <i>klaudia.porten@epicentre.msf.org</i>	External expert	Quantitative study on barriers of access to visceral leishmaniasis diagnosis and care for vulnerable populations in Ethiopia.
01/2017 - 03/2017	Germany	German Federal Foreign Office, Welthungerhilfe, Islamic Relief Germany, Malteser International; <i>georg.nothelle@procontinuum.org</i>	Co-evaluator	Independent joint evaluation and learning exercise for cross-border projects funded by the German Federal Foreign Office, in the context of the Syria crisis and implemented by Welthungerhilfe, Islamic Relief Germany and Malteser International.
<b>2016</b>				
05/2016 - 12/2016	Sudan, Tunisia, Germany	German Society for International Cooperation Development (GIZ) <i>lilian.hollenweger@giz.de</i>	External expert	Technical support of the concept development and of the implementation of "Joint Integrated Laboratory and Epidemiology" (Lab Epi) trainings in Tunisia and Sudan.
03/2016 - 05/2016	Germany	German Society for International Cooperation Development (GIZ) <i>bettina.fellmer@giz.de</i>	External expert	Technical support by implementing primary health care projects in Dohuk, Northern-Iraq.
01/2016 - 04/2016	Sierra Leone, Freetown, Kenema, Bo	Action Medeor <i>Andrea.Eller@medeor.de</i>	Evaluator	Feasibility study for scaling up midwife training in Sierra Leone.
01/2016 – 03/2016	Iraq, Kurdistan	German Society for International Cooperation Development (GIZ) <i>Bettina.Fellmer@giz.de</i>	Evaluator	Project appraisal of strengthening the health system in Dohuk, Northern-Iraq.

2012 - 2015				
10/2014 - 05/2015	Germany, Turkey, Belgium	German Society for International Cooperation Development (GIZ) <i>Bettina.Fellmer@giz.de</i>	External expert	Remote backstopping and monitoring of health trainings delivered by a local non-governmental organization in Libya; moderation of meetings and workshops.
08/2014 - 10/2014	Mali, Bamako and Kayes	Epicentre / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) <i>klaudia.porten@epicentre.msf.org</i>	Evaluator	Evaluation of the Ebola surveillance systems in countries neighbouring the current epidemic, country study Mali.
09/2014 - 10/2014	Germany	German Society for International Cooperation Development (GIZ) <i>Bettina.Fellmer@giz.de</i>	External expert	Development of a needs assessment and an actor map for emergency health care in the framework of the EU-Libya Health Systems Strengthening Programme.
07/2014 - 09/2014	Uganda, Adjumani District, South Sudanese refugee camps	Epicentre / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) <i>klaudia.porten@epicentre.msf.org</i>	Evaluator	Adaptation and establishing of a monthly surveillance system for South Sudanese refugee camps; on-site discussions with all responsible persons; working on a monthly surveillance system including its database; writing guidelines on how to use the Adjumani database.
01/2014 - 07/2014	Indonesia, Sumatra, Medan	German Red Cross	Evaluator	Evaluation of the Ambulance Service Project North Sumatra of the Indonesian Red Cross.
09/2013 - 12/2013	Democratic Republic of the Congo, Shabunda; Germany	Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)	Principal study coordinator	Adherence to artesunate-amodiaquine fixed dose combination treatment in the MSF catchment area, MSF Shabunda Health Zone, Democratic Republic of the Congo (preparation of Terms of References, training investigator teams, supervision of teams in the field, data collation, entry, cleaning/validation, analysis, report writing, communication of results).
10/2013	Germany	Aktion Deutschland Hilft (ADH) <i>moke@aktion-deutschland-hilft.de</i>	Conference reporting	Drawing a conference report of the conference “Disability inclusive disaster risk reduction and management” held in Bonn (Germany) on October 10, 2013
04/2013 - 09/2013	Chad, Germany	World Vision Chad	Principal study coordinator	Retrospective mortality and nutritional survey, Logone Occidentale, Chad (preparation of Terms of References, training investigator teams, supervision of teams in the field, data collation, entry, cleaning/validation, analysis, report writing, communication of results).
03/2013 - 09/2013	Nigeria, Germany	Church Development Service of the German Protestant Churches	Evaluator	Evaluation of the health portfolio of the Church Development Service of the German Protestant Churches, Case Study Nigeria.

02/2013 - 06/2013	South Sudan, Western Equatoria State, Yambio	Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)	Study Coordinator	Planning of the study 'Efficacy of Amodiaquine-Artesunate and Artemether-Lumefantrine for the treatment of uncomplicated childhood Plasmodium falciparum malaria in Yambio, Western Equatoria, South Sudan'.
04/2013 - 05/2013	Germany, Luxembourg	Executive Agency for Health and Consumers (EAHC)	Evaluator	External evaluator for the Executive Agency for Health and Consumers (EAHC), Luxembourg; evaluation of project proposals submitted to EAHC.
06/2012 – 08/2012	South Sudan, Batil Refugee Camp	Médecins Sans Frontières	Study Coordinator	Retrospective mortality, non-food items and nutritional survey Batil refugee camp (preparation of Terms of References, training investigator teams, supervision of teams in the field, data collection, entry, cleaning/validation, analysis, report writing, communication of results).
03/2012 – 05/2012	Central African Republic, Boguila	Médecins Sans Frontières	Study Coordinator	Retrospective mortality survey in the MSF catchment area in and around Boguila (preparation of Terms of References, protocol writing, training investigator teams, supervision of teams in the field, data collection, entry, cleaning/validation, analysis, report writing, communication of results).
01/2012 – 05/2012	Democratic Republic of the Congo, Germany	Malteser International	Evaluator of a ECHO funded project	Evaluating the socioeconomic situation in a post-conflict area in DR Congo.
<b>Until 2012</b>				
10/2009 - 12/2011	Cologne, Germany	Malteser International	Senior Desk Officer and Senior Health advisor	Main responsible for all projects within Malteser International in the Great Lake Region in Africa; general epidemiological and public health support for all projects within the African department of Malteser International (Uganda, Kenya, South Sudan, DR Congo); representation of Malteser International in national and international panels and working groups.
08/2007 - 09/2009	Sierra Leone, United Kingdom	Médecins sans Frontières (MSF) <i>ulrikevonpilar@gmx.de</i>	Project Manager	Operational research and epidemiological support in a MSF malaria programme in Bo district, Sierra Leone; involved in general epidemiological support to existing MSF programs, field epidemiology training and overseas consultancies mainly in emergency situations.
03/2004 - 07/2007	France, Paris	Epicentre	Epidemiologist	Applied epidemiology in complex emergencies and outbreaks in difficult settings mainly for Médecins sans Frontières (MSF); involved with field epidemiology training and international consultancies; supervision of software for clinical and therapeutic monitoring of tropical diseases at field level..
03/2003 - 12/2003	Gedaref State, Sudan	Médecins sans Frontières (MSF)	Epidemiologist	Main investigator of a community based study on the accessibility of diagnostic and treatment centres for visceral leishmaniasis in 9 villages in 3 different geographical areas (protocol and ethics committee preparations, supervision of teams in the field, data collection, entry, cleaning/validation, analysis, communication of results).

07/2001 - 09/2003	Cologne, Germany	'neues handeln' - agency for Fundraising and Social Marketing	Project manager	Social marketing, fundraising and public relation.
07/1999 - 06/2001	Basel, Switzerland	Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute	Epidemiologist	Working on a Ph.D. thesis under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Marcel Tanner. Field study in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.
08/1997 - 09/1999	Cologne, Germany	Madaus	Assistant	Assistant to the Marketing and Sales member of the board and product manager for marketing and sales of a prescription drug (indication: oncology).
04/1997 - 08/1997	Rottweil, Germany	Consultancy 'Internationale Managerforen'	Freelancer	Management and organization of trainings and seminars
09/1996 - 04/1997	Shanghai, PR China	Tongji University	Teacher	Teaching German to Chinese students
08/1995 - 09/1995	Geneva, Switzerland	World Health Organization (WHO)	Intern	Internship at the World Health Organization, Division of Tropical Disease Research (TDR)

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- **Gerstl S**, Namagana A, Palacios L, Mweshi F, Aprile S, Bahizi P, Lima A. High adherence to malaria treatment – promising results of an adherence study in South Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo. *Malaria Journal* 2015, 14:414.
- **Gerstl S**, Sauter J, Kasanda J, Kinzelbach A. Who can afford health care? Evaluating the socioeconomic situation in a post-conflict area in DR Congo. *PLoS ONE*. 2013, 8(10): e77382. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0077382.
- **Gerstl S**, Dunkley S, Mukhtar A, Baker S, Maikere J. Successful introduction of artesunate combination therapy is not enough to fight malaria – results from an adherence study in Sierra Leone. *Transactions of The Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*. *Trans R Soc Trop Med Hyg*. 2010 May;104(5):328-35. Epub 2010 Feb 2.
- **Gerstl S**, Dunkley S, Mukhtar A, Maes P, De Smet M, Baker S, Maikere J. Long-lasting insecticidal mosquito net usage in eastern Sierra Leone – the success of free distribution. *Tropical Medicine & International Health*. *Trop Med Int Health*. 2010 Apr;15(4):480-8. Epub 2010 Feb 9.
- **Gerstl S**, Dunkley S, Mukhtar A, De Smet M, Baker S, Maikere J. Assessment of two malaria rapid diagnostic tests in young children, with follow-up of positive pLDH test results, in a hyperendemic falciparum malaria area, Sierra Leone. *Malaria Journal*. *Malar J*. 2010 Jan 21;9:28.
- **Gerstl S**, Kiwila G, Dhorda M, Lonlas S, Myatt M, Kebela Ilunga B, Lemasson D, Szumilin E, Guerin PJ, Ferradini L. Prevalence study of Yaws in Wasolo district, Equator province of the Democratic republic of Congo using the Lot Quality Assurance Sampling method. *PLoS ONE* 4(7): e6338. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0006338

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- Grais RF, Dubray C, **Gerstl S**, Guthmann JP, Djibo A, Nargaye KD, Coker J, Alberti KP, Cochet A, Ihekweazu C, Nathan N, Payne L, Porten K, Sauvageot D, Schimmer B, Fermon F, Burny ME, Hersh BS, Guerin PJ. Unacceptably High Mortality Related to Measles Epidemics in Niger, Nigeria, and Chad. *PLoS Medicine*. 2007 January, 4(1):e16.
- Vanlerberghe V, Diap G, Guerin PJ, Meheus F, **Gerstl S**, Van der Stuyft P, Boelaert M. Drug policy for Visceral Leishmaniasis, a cost-effectiveness analysis. *Tropical Medicine & International Health*. 2007 February, 12(2): 274-283.
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