

WORK EXPERIENCE

PROMOSCIENCE Srl, Trieste (Italy)

Communication Manager – since March 2021

I am following scientific projects financed via the EU's Horizon program in the field of communication and dissemination (www.imptox.eu, www.interlynk-h2020.eu, www.e-impress.eu, www.nffa.eu).

- Coordinating communication and dissemination efforts across large scientific consortia.
- Establishing communication and dissemination plans and developing targeted messages for different audiences and publication platforms.
- Effectively communicating complex science topics to the general public via easy-to-understand texts, creative games, infographics and more.

UNITED WORLD COLLEGE OF THE ADRIATIC, Duino (Italy)

Creative Activity Anthropology Teacher – Sep. 2017 – May 2020

- Anthropological Research: In this course students study anthropological theory as they read and discuss it in the classroom. They then design and carry out their own fieldwork project in and around Trieste. Students engage in participant observation, take fieldnotes and bring together their research material in a written ethnography.
- Ethnographic Film: Students learn about the history and theory of the ethnographic film by watching a series of films over the year. We discuss these films in the classroom, as we analyse the technique and theory behind them. Students engage in their own ethnographic film project by carrying out participant observation, taking notes, filming during their research sessions and eventually editing their filmed material into their own ethnographic film.

EMBASSY OF VENEZUELA IN LONDON, MOSCOW AND THE HAGUE

Researcher – Part Time, January 2009 – January 2010, May 2013 – December 2017

Carried out research on current issues in Latin American politics and society.

- Until 2010, I was physically present at the embassy in London. From 2013 – 2017, I worked on a long-distance basis for the Venezuelan embassies in London, Moscow and The Hague, from Trieste.
- Briefed the ambassador & prepared fact-sheets.
- While in London, gave presentations and talks on indigenous peoples and the social economy in Venezuela.

EMBASSY OF VENEZUELA IN WASHINGTON DC

Social Economics and Indigenous Peoples Analyst - Research & Diplomacy,

October 2007 – September 2008

Briefed the ambassador and helped establish contacts between social economy and indigenous actors in the US and Venezuela.

- Carried out research on indigenous peoples and the social economy in the United States and Venezuela, resulting in fact-sheets and context-papers.
- Gave talks, assisted in conferences and workshops.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNELS INTERNATIONAL, Washington DC

Researcher – Research on Latin American History, Politics and Culture, August – September 2007

Participated in the preparation of the television documentary "Consecuencias" on 20th Century Latin America.

- Reviewed film scripts and checked them for historical accuracy.
- Carried out research on historical and contemporary events and provided necessary citations to the scripts.

- Discussed changes to the scripts with author and moderator Alvaro Vargas Llosa.

AMAZON ALLIANCE, Washington DC

Project Coordinator – Environment & Indigenous Peoples, September 2006 – May 2007

Coordinated an evaluation project on coca leaf eradication in Colombia: integrative participatory approaches and chemical air fumigations approach.

- Coordinated participatory activities with main stakeholders in the Amazon region and in the United States.
- Carried out research on the effects of fumigations on peoples' health and the environment.

PRO MUJER (Intermediate Finance Institution), GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, Bolivia

Consultant – Microfinance, July - August 2006

Wrote a 60-page evaluation report in Spanish on Pro Mujer's services offered in two different regions in Bolivia.

- Analysed Pro Mujer's product accuracy for Aymara clients in El Alto and Mojeño clients in Trinidad.
- Took 48 personal interviews in these two cities.
- Advised Pro Mujer on how to deal with cultural differences by adjusting its services to local and cultural realities.

ORGANIZACION NACIONAL INDIGENA DE COLOMBIA – ONIC, Colombia

Consultant – Human Rights, May - June 2006

Wrote a 50-page evaluation report in Spanish for an international human rights commission visiting indigenous villages in Colombia.

- Evaluated the impact of the armed conflict in indigenous villages in Colombia.
- Travelled to four different conflict regions to record testimonies of indigenous persons and political leaders in Colombia.
- Analysed the testimonies, drew conclusions and gave recommendations to stakeholders (policymakers, international community, indigenous organizations).

INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK - Indigenous Peoples and Community Development

Unit, Washington DC

Intern – Knowledge and Experience Internship Program, February 2006 – May 2006

Edited selected chapters of a sourcebook on indigenous peoples.

- Modified the structure and content of the sourcebook's chapters on indigenous peoples' health and education.
- Conducted research on indigenous issues in the context of larger development projects.

WORLD OF TUI – GULET TOUROPA TOURISTIK (Tour Operator), Austria

Assistant Brand Manager – Product Management, December 2003 – June 2005

Coordinated projects and assisted the brand manager in decision making.

- Analysed and processed quantitative and qualitative data.
- Organized and coordinated national and international conferences and congresses.
- Visited clients and organized meetings in Morocco, Tunisia, Turkey, Greece and Germany.

AUSTRIAN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION (EZA) and VIENNA INSTITUTE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (VIDC), Colombia

Consultant - Microfinance, May 2002 – March 2003

Wrote a 40-page report in German on the impact of microfinance on women in Bogotá's poor surroundings, based on eleven months of field research in the area.

- Investigated the ability of microfinance programs as effective means to improve women's productive and entrepreneurial activities.

UNIVERSIDAD DEL ROSARIO in cooperation with FUNDACIÓN DE ATENCIÓN AL MIGRANTE, Colombia
Project Coordinator – Microfinance & Business Administration, May 2002 – August 2003

Improved the sales and profit margin of products elaborated by Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) within FAMIG; facilitated the handling of FAMIG's microfinance project.

- Directed FAMIG's business branch of hand-made products elaborated by IDPs.
- Supervised and evaluated sustainable business projects submitted by IDPs at FAMIG with the aim of receiving microcredit-funding for the realization of their business project.
- Undertook field visits and helped carry out business preparation workshops.

EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY (online), Trieste

Higher Education Teaching Certificate, May – June 2020

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, London

MPhil/PhD in Social and Cultural Anthropology, October 2009 – May 2011, Research Area:

Colombian migration to London, withdrew from the program for personal reasons

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, London

MSc in Social and Cultural Anthropology, September 2009, With Merit

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, School of Foreign Service, Washington DC

MA in Latin American Studies, May 2007, GPA: 3.95/4

UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA, Austria

Master of Social and Economic Sciences, March 2002, With Distinction, Final Thesis on intercultural business negotiations

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

- LSE Ph.D. Study Award, 2009 - 2011
- Georgetown University Academic Merit Scholar 2006 and 2007
- Georgetown University 2006 Summer Research Grant Awardee
- Fulbright Study Grant Nominee for the School Year 2006/2007
- University of Vienna Master's Thesis Award, January 2003
- University of Vienna Joint Study Stipend for an exchange semester at Georgetown University, Autumn 2000

WRITTEN WORK - PUBLICATIONS

- "Count on us for peace, never for war – Colombian Indigenous Peoples believe in peace dialogue, in spite of continuous violence in their territories", *Intercontinental Cry*, Feb. 2015 (<https://intercontinentalcry.org/count-us-peace-never-war/>)
- Kienzl, S. (2007). Reporte Actual Sobre la Situación de Violencia en Comunidades del Pueblo Wayúu. In K. Ramirez Boscán (ed.), *Desde el Desierto: Notas sobre Paramilitarismo y Violencia en el territorio Wayúu de la Media Guajira* (49-62). Ediciones sin fines de lucro: Copyleft.

- “The Influence of Culture on the Handling of Microcredits in El Alto and Trinidad/Bolivia,” Georgetown University, Centre for Latin American Studies, Mimeographed, Washington DC, Sep. 2006 (in Spanish)
- “Preparative Report for the International Verification Mission on the Situation of Human Rights in Indigenous Villages in Colombia” ONIC, Bogotá, July 2006 (in Spanish)
- “Women Entrepreneurs and Microcredit Programs in Colombia's Urban Sector,” VIDC, Vienna, March 2003 (in German)

SKILLS/PERSONAL

Languages: Mother tongue German, fluent English, Spanish and Italian, basic French

Specialization in Photography: Michigan State University online (Coursera), 2020 – 2021

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