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PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:

- 01/2024 – present Senior Scientist, Interdisciplinary Marine Sciences,
Programme Area ‘Societal Impact’ (Co-Lead)
Working Group ‘Transformation Through Transdisciplinarity (TripleT)’ (Lead)
Leibniz Center for Tropical Marine Research (ZMT), Bremen, Germany
- 01/03/2023 –
31/08/2024 Interim Head of Office for Knowledge Exchange (OKE), **ZMT**, Bremen, Germany
(parental replacement)
- 01/02/2023 –
31/05/2023 **Senior scientist**, Science-Stakeholder Interaction Processes, **Alfred-Wegener-Institute, Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Marine Research (AWI)**, Bremerhaven, Germany /
EU-Project *Capacity-building in Arctic standardisation development (CAPARDUS)*
- 15/08/2018 –
28/02/2023 **Senior scientist**, Social-Ecological Systems (SES) Analysis, Department of Social
Sciences, **ZMT**, Bremen, Germany / Project Lead (2018-2022): *A Sea of Connections -
Contextualizing Fisheries in the South Pacific Region (SOCPacific)*, DFG/ANR-funded
- 15/08/2018 –
31/12/2021 **Guest scientist**, Science-Stakeholder Interaction Processes, **AWI**, Bremerhaven,
Germany
- 01/03/2017 –
14/08/2018 **Postdoctoral scientist**, Science-Stakeholder Interaction Processes, **AWI**, Bremerhaven,
Germany / Project *Scientific transfer of the results of INTERNATIONAL environmental
Assessments in the German policy context (INTERNAS)*
- 01/12/2016-
14/08/2018 **Guest scientist**, Social-Ecological Systems (SES) Analysis, **ZMT**, Bremen, Germany
- 01/01/2014 –
01/12/2016 **Scientist**, Social-Ecological Systems (SES) Analysis, **ZMT**, Bremen, Germany /
Project *Science for the Protection of Indonesian Coastal Ecosystems (SPICE)*;
Coordination of working group activities in Topic 3: Understanding and Managing the
Resilience of Coral Reefs and Associated Social Systems (MaCoRAS) and Topic 1:
Impacts of marine pollution on biodiversity and coastal livelihoods (MABICO)
- 07/2009–present **Lecturer, Faculty 2, University of Bremen**, Germany
MSc Marine Biology, International Studies in Aquatic Tropical Ecology (ISATEC)
- 09/2013 –
02/2014 **Lecturer, Faculty 8, Institute of Geography, University of Bremen**, Germany

09/2013–08/2014 Part-time pre-school **English-Teacher** (German Red Cross, Bremen)

01/2007–06/2011 Freelance **Translator** (Isotranslations.com), translation of short technical text documents and handbooks (German-French/French-German and German-English/English-German)

01/2006–10/2013 Freelance **Research Assistant - Foundation for Environmental Conservation**, Switzerland (President: Prof. Dr. Nicholas V.C. Polunin), incl. conference-organisation and editorial organisation of book-publication of Polunin, N.V.C. (ed.) (2008). *Aquatic Ecosystems - Trends and Global Prospects*, Cambridge University Press, UK

04–10/2002 **Project Assistant - ZMT**, Bremen, Germany
Section: Marine Ecology, 1st phase German-Indonesian Cooperation

05/2001–
03/2002 **Consultant – United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), Paris, France** / Environment and Development in Coastal Regions and Small Islands, Small Island Voice, Local and Indigenous Knowledge Systems

10/1996–03/1997 **Student Research Assistant, AWI**, Bremerhaven, Germany; Section: Marine Mycology

EDUCATION:

10/2007 **PhD**, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, UK; University of the South Pacific, Fiji / Thesis title: *An Interdisciplinary Appraisal of Community-based Marine Resource Management of a Traditional Fijian Fishing Ground (qoliqoli)*

10/1996 –
04/2001 Studies of Biology at the University of Bremen, Germany, with:

- One year at the University of Liverpool’s Port Erin Marine Laboratory on the Isle of Man, UK
- Major: **Marine Biology**, Minors: **Physical Oceanography, Zoophysiology**
- Final Thesis: *The Distribution of Corals and Macroalgae in Relation to Freshwater and Sediment Discharge on a Fringing Reef in Kane’ohe Bay, O’ahu, Hawai’i* - in collaboration with the Hawai’i Institute of Marine Biology (HIMB) and Windward Community College, Kane’ohe, USA

09/1994 –
07/1996 Professional training as **Biological-Technical-Assistant**, Bremen, Germany

07/1994 High-school graduation with main subjects **Mathematics, French, Art, History**; Bremen, Germany

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS:

Co-supervision of PhD & MSc theses
ZMT: Women's and Equal Opportunities Representative, Member of Scientific Council
International Geographical Union (IGU), Commission on Islands (Vice-Chair)
Editorial responsibilities (e.g., *Frontiers in Marine Science*, *Ocean and Society*)

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