

PERSONAL DATA

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Date of Birth 11 July 1956
Citizenship Swiss
Languages German (mother language), English (fluent), French (proficient), Italian (medium), Portuguese and Spanish (basic), Russian (notions)
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EDUCATION

1980 University of Fribourg, Switzerland, law degree
1984 Bar exam (Swiss bar)
Training in Mediation, constitutionality, international human rights protection, organizational development, , conflict transformation, international peace mediation (with Cordoba Foundation as resource person and participant), training methodologies

EXPERIENCE ABROAD

Iraq, Kosovo, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Egypt, Brazil

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Since 2014 Advokatur von Blarer, law firm
Since 2006 Independent Consultant and legal Advisor (until 2013 part time)
Since 2011 Senior Advisor on Human Rights, Transitional Justice and Conflict Transformation, Governance, Civic inclusion, Migration, Justice System Reform, Rule of law, INNOVABRIDGE Foundation www.innovabridge.org
2006 - 2013 Ombudsman of the Canton Basel-Stadt in job sharing (50%)
2002 - 2005 Human Security Advisor for the Human Security Division (HSD) of the Swiss FDFA in Central Asia (Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan)
2001 - 2002 Head of International Investigation Section, Ombudsperson Institution in Kosovo
1999 - 2000 Senior Human Rights Officer at the Regional OSCE Office in Gjilane (Kosovo)
1991 Protection Officer for the UNHCR in Dohuk Iraq (UNHCR return operation of Kurdish refugees from Turkey and Iran)

- 1988-2000 Member and President of the Board for Social Welfare, Aesch municipality
- 1986 - 2001 Partner at von Blarer, Vest, Wirz, Matiaksa attorneys in Aesch/ BL Switzerland(migration, mediation, administrative law, civil and commercial law
- 1981 - 1984 Internship at the criminal investigation office, district court, law firm, legal counsel for the expropriation court in Liestal, Basel-Land.

EXPERTISE

More than 35 years of professional experience in governance, mediation, conflict transformation, human rights and rule of law on local, regional and national levels in Switzerland and abroad (Kosovo, Central Asia, Iraq) and from different perspectives: in official positions, as legal representative of municipalities, individuals, NGO's and as project manager. Profound experience in monitoring of socioeconomic-, civic-, governance-, conflict-, political- and security dynamics and processes in areas of conflict as well as transitional and "developed" environments. Distinct skills to develop, design, implement and evaluate multi track approaches in fragile environments and areas of conflict (including violent conflicts). Proven project management and evaluation experience in governance, conflict transformation, human rights, justice system reform, land rights, transitional justice and anti-corruption strategies. Familiar with mediation, conflict management, organizational development as well as alternative dispute resolution strategies; Teaching and presentation experience.

MAJOR CLIENTS

- Private, corporate and public clients (Cantons and Municipalities)
- Human Security Division (HSD) and Swiss Development Cooperation (SDC) of the Swiss FDFA
- OSCE Academy in Bishkek
- Swiss Federal Commission for the Prevention of Torture
- NGOs

MEMBERSHIP

- Member board of trustees Fondation OumouDilly (www.omoudilly.ch)
- President Association of Wineproducers Aesch www.weinbau-aesch.ch
- Advisory Board to the Center of Peacebuilding (KOFF) at swisspeace
- President of humanrights.ch (since 2015)
- Member board of Trustees Innovabridge Foundation www.innovabridge.org
- Swiss Bar Association
- Bar Association of the Canton Basel-Landschaft

OTHER

- Co-Director Tschaepferliweine GmbH (www.tschaepferliweine.ch)