



Curriculum Vitae Raphaëla Kübler

Personal

Present Position: Consultant at KEK-CDC / Project Manager at Innosuisse
Education: M.A. International Affairs, Graduate Institute Geneva
B.A. Political Economics, University of Lucerne
Date of Birth: 23.06.1991
Languages: German, English, French

Key competencies

- 6+ years' experience in international cooperation with extended regional networks in Switzerland and Sub Sahara Africa and beyond.
- Experienced in leadership and team positions in public-private partnership development, science and innovation diplomacy, governmental affairs, and skills development. Specific interest in the future of work, human resilience, and equality, particularly in connection to innovations in tech.
- Certified in project management, passionately aiming for their respective positive social and sustainable impact.
- Quantitative and qualitative methods, data analysis
- Reporting, graphic design, and communication/public diplomacy

Selected mandates (KEK-CDC)

- Development of a strategic framework for the design of a community of practice in Science Diplomacy and Anticipatory Leadership (GESDA); 2024 (ongoing).
- Review of EU co-funding in the context of Just Transition and Vocational Education and Training in South Africa (**GIZ**); 2023/24.
- Cost-benefit analysis of the Skills Development Programme Cambodia Phase II (**Swisscontact**); 2023.
- Communication Development backstopping, (Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation **SDC**), 2023 (ongoing).
- Vocational Skills backstopping (Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, **SDC**); 2023 (ongoing).

Selected academic work

"Martial Peace Education. The rationale for using Judo and Karate as tools to educate peace." Master's Thesis. Graduate Institute, Geneva; May 2017.

“The Educational Intervention. An assessment of international and domestic efforts to reform the education system after the 1999 NATO bombing in “post-conflict” Kosovo.” Academic paper. Graduate Institute, Geneva; December 2016.

“Bringing Switzerland back on Stage. A report on the Swiss public-private partnership ecosystem and its contribution to advancing the SDGs.” 6-month applied research study for the Global Compact Network Switzerland. Graduate Institute, Geneva; February 2017.

“Global Citizens in Switzerland? Global Citizenship Education in the Swiss formal education system.” Academic paper. Graduate Institute, Geneva; May 2016.

“The offer and implementation of “German as a second language” on the primary level in the municipality of Thalwil.” Academic paper. University of Lucerne; February 2013.

Major professional experiences

from 04/2024 Innosuisse, Bern

Project Manager & EEN Advisor

- Managing the applied research cooperation between Switzerland and Poland in the framework of the 2nd Swiss contribution to selected EU member states.
- Implementing two project calls with a total budget of CHF 30 Mio. jointly with the Polish partner organization.
- Acting as Advisor for the Enterprise Europe Network Switzerland, supporting technology development and research partnerships between SMEs.

from 06/2023 KEK-CDC, Zurich

Consultant

Implementation of various mandates focusing on research, education and vocational training in an international context. These include, among others:

- Assisting the Geneva Science Diplomacy Anticipator (GESDA) in creating a global community of practice for anticipatory leadership
- Advising the SDC on vocational training issues and auditing of GIZ vocational training projects
- Conducting cost-benefit analyses of development cooperation projects

2019-2023 Embassy of Switzerland to South Africa, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Pretoria

Programme Officer: Science and Technology

- Strategic cooperation advancement in frontier sciences between Switzerland and South Africa through building collaborative networks and thematic research.
- Leading the skills development cooperation between Switzerland and South Africa.
- Curating several Academia to Industry Business Development Programmes incubating start-ups in Switzerland and South Africa.

2017-2018 Swiss State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI), Bern

Project Manager (started as Junior)

- Managing bilateral vocational and professional education and training projects with South Africa and India.

- Organizing and executing the International Congress on Vocational and Professional Education and Training, Switzerland's strategic lighthouse congress in skills development.

2016-2017 World Economic Forum, Geneva

Security Affairs Coordinator

- Coordinating a large-scale security access control project for the Annual WEF Meeting in Davos 2017.
- Successful implementation and improvement of the project through grassroots analysis, initiating and establishing training courses, refining operation procedures, and writing training as well as communication manuals for future project leads.

2014 Consulate General of Switzerland in Hongkong, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs

Cultural Attaché (Intern)

- Assisting the Consul General and Deputy Consul General in the Political and Cultural Department tasks.
- Writing of political reports and analyses, compiling briefing documents and accompanying delegations of the Swiss government.

Advanced training and memberships

- International Programme on Development Evaluation (IPDET), Core Course, July 2023
- Certificate in Technological Disruption: Managing the Impact on Business, Society and Politics, London School of Economics, 2023
- Geneva Science Diplomacy Anticipator (gesda), Alumna of the Science Diplomacy Immersion Week, May 2022
- World Economic Forum Global Shapers Community, Global Shaper of the Tshwane Hub, 2021-2022
- International Project Management Association, Certificate Level D, August 2021

Experiences abroad

South Africa, Zambia, Hong Kong