

# Sebastian Forneck

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## Education

**PhD, Development Studies** Ongoing  
Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn Bonn, Germany  
Dissertation (Working Title): *“Changing Home(s) – Development, Local Perceptions and the Social Construction of Belonging in Zangla/India”*  
Supervisor: PD Dr. Eva Youkhana

**Master of Arts, Sociology** 2015  
University of Bielefeld Bielefeld, Germany  
Thesis: *“A Home away from Home? - The Social Construction of “Home” by Tibetans-in-Exile in McLeod Ganj”*  
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka

**Bachelor of Arts, Social Work** 2010  
University of Duisburg-Essen Essen, Germany  
Thesis: *“Eine kritische Analyse des Fachkonzepts Sozialraumorientierung auf Grundlage des Lebensweltmodells nach Schütz”*  
Supervisor: Dipl.-Päd. Johannes Groppe

## Field Work

**Sandrandahy / Amoron'i Mania / Madagascar** 2020  
Project: ProciNut (Production and Processing of Edible Insects for Improved Nutrition)  
Duration of Stay: 1 Month Funding Institution: Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Germany)  
Amount of Funding: 1.700 €

**Zangskar / Jammu & Kashmir (nowadays: Union Territory of Ladakh) / India** 2016 - 2018

Project: Dissertation (Working Title): *“(Re)Creating Home – Climate Variability, Food Security, and the Social Construction of Home in Zangskar/India”*

Duration of Stay: 18 Months

Funding Institution: Stiftung Fiat Panis

Amount of Funding: 10.500 €

**McLeod Ganj / Himachal Pradesh / India**

2012

Project: Master’s Thesis: *“A Home away from Home? - The Social Construction of “Home” by Tibetans-in-Exile in McLeod Ganj”*

Duration of Stay: 6 Months

Funding Institution: DAAD

Amount of Funding: 5.000 €

### Research Interests

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|------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| - Belonging and Home   | - Climate Change and Variability | - Food Security       |
| - Entomophagy          | - Social Constructivism          | - Development Studies |
| - Himalayas            | - Ladakh                         | - Intersectionality   |
| - Qualitative Research | - Transdisciplinary Research     | - Grounded Theory     |

### Publications

#### Journals

Forneck, S. (2021). *Changing Rural Village Spaces and their Impact on Belonging: A Case Study in the Himalayas*. Manuscript submitted for publication.

Meysing, A., Forneck, S., Razafindrakotomamonjy, A. & Dürr, J. (2021). *Why factors cannot predict entomophagy in rural areas of Madagascar*. Manuscript submitted for publication.

#### Online

Nischalke, S., & Forneck, S. (2020). Insects on the Plates! [Blog post]. Retrieved from <http://www.developmentresearch.eu/?p=769>.

## Conference Presentations and Participation

**RC21 Conference** 2019

International Sociological Association New Delhi, India

Conference Topic: *"In and Beyond the City – Emerging Ontologies, Persistent Challenges and Hopeful Futures"*

Presentation Title: *"Changing Rural Village Spaces and their Impact on Belonging - A Case Study in the Himalayas"*

**19<sup>th</sup> Conference of the International Association for Ladakh Studies** 2019

International Association for Ladakh Studies Leh, India

Conference Topic: *"Negotiating Change in the Trans-Himalayas"*

Presentation Title: *"Perceptions of Water and Climate in Zangla/Zangskar"*

**World Food Day Colloquium** 2018

University of Hohenheim Hohenheim, Germany

Conference Topic: *"World Food Day Colloquium"*

Presentation Title: *"The New Irrigation Canal in Zangla/India"*

**18<sup>th</sup> Colloquium of the International Association for Ladakh Studies** 2017

International Association for Ladakh Studies Bedlewo, Poland

Conference Topic: *"Current Western Himalayan Research"*

Presentation Title: *"Exploring the Lifeworld of a Zangskar Village - Recap of the First Fieldwork Phase and Presentation of the Preliminary Results"*

**Third International Conference on Himalayan Studies** 2016

Nicolas Copernicus University of Torun Bedlewo, Poland

Conference Topic: *"Current Himalayan Research: Challenges, Problems or Failures"*

Presentation Title: *"How are Climate Variability and the Feeling of Being at Home related? – A Review"*

## Languages

**German:** Native Speaker

**English:** Fluent in Speaking, Reading, and Writing (Approximately CEFR Level C2)

**Ladakhi:** Basic Conversation Knowledge (Approximately CEFR Level B1-2 (Speaking))

**Hindi:** Beginner (Approximately CEFR Level B1)

## Working Experience

**Center for Development Studies (ProciNut Project)** 2018 - present

University of Bonn Bonn, Germany

Position: Scientific Assistant (WHK)

**International Association for Ladakh Studies** 2018 - present

Leh, India

Position: Co-Webmaster

**Institute of Science and Technology Studies** 2011 - 2012

University of Bielefeld Bielefeld, Germany

Position: Student Assistant (SHK)

**Der Karren e.V.** 2002 - 2010

Member of the Diakonische Werk Rheinland-Westfalen-Lippe Bonn, Germany

Position: Part-Time Social Worker

**Dresdner Bank (nowadays Commerzbank)** 2002 - 2004

Cologne, Germany

Position: Bank Apprentice

## **Memberships**

- DAAD IndiAlumni Network
- International Association for Ladakh Studies

## **Technical Skills**

- Working Knowledge with MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Working Knowledge with Atlas Ti Analysis Software
- Working Knowledge with F4 Transcription Software
- Working Knowledge with Mendeley and Citavi Reference Management Software
- Working Knowledge with Wordpress
- Working Knowledge with KoBo Toolbox

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