

Curriculum Vitae Hanza Diman

Personal Information

Hanza Diman

Date and Place of Birth: 24th September 1988 in Comé (Benin)

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Academic Background

2007-2011: Bachelor in *Germanistik* (Université Abomey-Calavi, Benin)

October 2012 – February 2015: Master of Arts in African History and Francophone Studies (University of Bayreuth)

From April 2015 to the present: PhD-Candidate in African History and Culture and Technology in Africa (University of Bayreuth), Junior Fellow of the Bayreuth International Graduate School of African Studies (BIGSAS)

(Field) Research Experiences

Research Topic	Location	Aims	Research Approach Used	Year and Duration
PhD: Wood for the kitchen: towards a history of the supply and use of fuelwood in urban households of West Africa: The case of Lomé (from 1884 to the present)	Lomé, Notsé, Tsévié, Atakpamé, Guerin-Kouka	Data collection	Qualitative (oral history)	2017: 6 months
M.A Thesis: L'histoire politique africaine et le phénomène du Coup d'État : Explications et impacts socio-économiques des togolais de 1963 et 1967"	Lomé, Aného, Tsévié, Kpalimé, Bassar	Data Collection	Qualitative (oral history)	2014: 6 weeks
Pilot trip to UAC (Benin) to collect data for a forthcoming digitalisation project	Abomey-Calavi (Benin)	Project presentation and data collection		2018: 12 Days

Scholarships

October 2011 – March 2012: DAAD-Research Scholarship

October 2012 – October 2014: Master Scholarship of the Heinrich Böll Foundation

October 2015 – September 2018: PhD Scholarship of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation

From April 2016 to the present: Junior Fellow of BIGSAS

Conferences and Summer Schools with Paper (and Poster) Presentations

‘History Project Conference’ (22nd-23rd October 2015 in Harvard (USA)). **Paper title:** Wood for the kitchen: towards a history of the supply and use of fuelwood in urban households of West Africa: The case of Lomé (from 1884 to the present)

3rd biennial conference on African history (20th – 22nd March 2016, Leipzig). **Poster title:** Wood for the kitchen: towards a history of the supply and use of fuelwood in urban households of West Africa: The case of Lomé (from 1884 to the present)

‘Yes In My Backyard’ Global Energy Transition from Local Perspectives’ (17th -25th in August 2017 in Groningen (Netherlands)). **Paper title:** Households in Lome and the domestic energy challenges: recent developments and future expectations.

‘Tagung AK Subsaharisches Afrika (AKSA) in der DGfG’ (24th- 25th November 2017, in Erlangen). **Poster title:** Fuel switching in Lome: between a successful transition to charcoal and the failing adoption of LPG (from 1884 to the present).

Workshop International ‘Études Africaines: Approches et Perspectives’ (23rd-24th April 2018 in Sousse (Tunisia)). **Paper title:** À cheval entre la Thèse et autres activités (para) universitaires: expériences et ambitions.

Employment

2012-2018: Research Assistant for different Chairs (Political Geography, Afrikanistik II, Romanistik II, Bayreuth Academy for Advanced African Studies, Bayceer Bayreuth, Department of African History, Institute of African Studies).

Since 2012: Independent Journalist at “Le Héraut” (Benin)

February 2019 – January 2020: Interpreter at BAMF

May 2019 – December 2019: Lecturer at the Chair of African History of the Bayreuth University

Leadership

1st July 2015 – July 2016: PhD-Candidates' Representative of the Graduate School of Bayreuth University.

June 2015-2017: Elected twice as President of the Model African Union Bayreuth e.V.

October 2018-April 2019: BIGSAS Junior Fellow Representative

Since January 2019: Coordinator of the Project "Afrika@school"

January 2020: Founded Africa Politicum

Publications

Co-publication with Dr. Katrin Pfadenhauer (accepted): „Togo“ in: Hardy, Stéphane/ Herling, Sandra/ Patzelt, Carolin [Hgg.]: Weltsprache Französisch. Variation, Soziolinguistik und geographische Verbreitung des Französischen. Handbuch für das Studium der Frankoromanistik. Stuttgart

“Using Oral History to Research Fuelwood Energy in Togo: Some Field Experiences.” Accepted for the next Edition of BIGSAS Works 2020.

Interviews

Radio Corax: Topic: Political situation in Togo. Interview available at <https://www.freie-radios.net/93187>

Radio Dreyeckland: Topic : “La Grande Marche pour les États-Unis d’Afrique ” 2019. Interview available at https://rdl.de/Erinnerung_Kongo-Konferenz_Berlin

Deutsche Welle: Topic: 2018 Parliamentary elections in Togo. <https://www.dw.com/de/togoparlamentswahlen-ohne-opposition/a-46792730>

Volunteering Commitment

Since 2011: Volunteer at the Freiwilligenzentrum Bayreuth

Since 2015: Active member of MAU Bayreuth e.V.

Since 2017: active participant in the Project "BIGSAS@school"

Language Skills

African Languages: Mina, Fon, Ewe, Hausa, Adja, Xwla

European Languages: French, German, English

References

Prof. Dr. Em. Achim von Oppen (African History, University of Bayreuth)

Prof. Dr. Uli Beisel (Culture and Technology in Africa, University of Bayreuth)