

- Dresden, Germany
- German

Skills

R	4 yrs.
Python	1 yr.
Lua	1 yr.
Quarto	1 yr.
Data Analysis	4 years
Word VBA	2 years

Languages

German	native
English	C2
French	C1
Russian	B2
Spanish	A2

Tools

- RStudio
- Git
- Word Developer Tools

Education

M.Sc. Economics

TU Dresden

- Master's thesis: The impact of landfills on local development in Sub-Saharan Africa
- Focus on econometric methods
- Research in political economics

B.A. International relations (1.6) TU Dresden

10/2015 - 09/2019

10/2020 - 09/2023

- Econometric bachelor's thesis: Impact of development aid on economic growth.
- Exchange year at Ural Federal University, Yekaterinburg, Russia
- Full scholarship: Evangelisches Studienwerk Villigst

A-levels (1.0)

Johann-Heinrich-Voss Gymnasium, Eutin

08/2005 - 06/2014

- DMV-price for mathematics
- Exchange year in Kansas (USA) with Bundestag-Congress full scholarship

Experience

Student assistant

Chair of economics, esp. international economics, TU Dresden

11/2022 – present

04/2020 - 04/2021

02/2019 - 03/2019

I mostly work in R to analyze large geo-spatial data sets. I also conduct literature reviews and prepare big data for a machine learning algorithm.

Student assistant

TU Dresden

I helped code key indicators for 100s of scientific articles to create a database. I also held tutorials for a beginners' statistics lecture.

Consultant

GIZ, Kenya

I accompanied a *Lessons Learned* mission with the Kenyan NGO *Grassroots Economics.* I organized and implemented field visits and conducted interviews with stakeholders. The result was a report on structures, strengths and challenges when using a community currency to foster entrepreneurial potential.

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Intern

Financial development and energy (West Africa and Madagascar), KfW Development Bank

I supported writing project reports, statements and preparations for government negotioations. I also researched background information for projects and prepared two-pagers. Preparing presentations and writing articles for the webpage were also part of the job.

Intern to the Personal Representative of the German Chancellor for Africa

Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

I worked on the community currency project *Our Village* and developed a concept paper. I also researched alternative approaches to development cooperation and worked on the *widu-Africa* project, which targets the potential of remittances.

Volunteer

weltwärts program in Balanka, Togo

I organized and advertized events, such as an Open Day, and prepared and implemented education offers in the local library.

Publications

Community currencies

Zeller, Sarah: Economic Advantages of Community Currencies, JRFM 13 (11), p. 271.

Qualitative analysis of the mediating effects of local currencies. Publication in economic journal.

Our Village – Creating endogenous growth

Nooke, Günter and Sarah Zeller (2019): Our village - creating endogenous growth, Rural21 51(3), p. 42-43.

Concept paper for using community currencies in a development cooperation context. Publication in development politics magazine

Analysis of the Turkey-EU statement on refugees 2016

Zeller, S (2018): Turkey-EU Statement on Refugees 2016: Analysis from the Point of View of Liberalism

Analysis of the refugee deal between Turkey and the EU in 2016, published in a Russian conference proceedings journal.

07/2018 - 09/2018

09/2014 - 07/2015