

EUROPEAN FORMAT
OF CURRICULUM
VITAE



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name



BENEDIKTER THOMAS

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

• Date (from - to)

1987-1988: Information projects and campaigning on global political issues and international solidarity initiatives with Centro Terzo Mondo, Bozen.

1988-1992: provincial officer in the Observatory on the Labour Market, Aut. Province of Bozen.

Freelance activities as translator, publisher, teacher for adults (Dep. Of Culture in Italian Language, Aut. Province of Bozen)

From 1992 collaboration with institutes of economic and social research such as AFI/IPL (Bozen), ASTAT, Interregional council of trade unions IGR (Innsbruck), APOLLIS (Bozen). Member of the board of AFI/IPL on behalf of CGIL/AGB, for a range of projects of quantitative and qualitative social research on issues of South Tyrol's society, labour market and economy.

1992-1998: Director of the *Society for Threatened Peoples* (Human Rights NGO) and of the *Library Cultures of the World* (Bozen).

1998-2000: teacher in training courses for members of the RSU/EGV and local trade unions activists, in cooperation with CGIL/AGB and AFI-IPL.

2001-2015: project-based long-term co-operation with the Institute for empirical social research APOLLIS (Bozen), broad range of research topics of provincial relevance.

2001-2011: teacher in professional school for social assistants „H. Arendt“, Bozen for sociology, ethics, labour law, courses on political sociology for the KVV and scientific working methods at the Lessing University of Meran.

2000-2012: as a volunteer cooperation with the “Initiative for more democracy” (Bozen), campaigning, publications and consultancy.

2003-2009; cooperation with EURAC (European Academy, Bozen, Institute for Minority Rights) for a EU-funded exchange project on minority protection and territorial autonomy in Europe and South Asia.

A number of publications, papers and essays on academic journals in English, Italian and German. Consultancy for government institutions and NGOs in Kurdistan (Turkey), Palestine, Thailand, Morocco and Kosovo. Collaboration with various revues (paper and online).

2018-19: Collaboration with the EU-funded project *Snapshots from the borders* on migration issues.

2013-2020: Foundation and responsible director of the cooperative POLITiS, South Tyrol's Centre for Political Studies and Civic Education. Continuous activities and initiatives in adult education on social, economic and political topics. Consultancy on participatory democracy for municipalities, NGOs and public institutions. Coordination of democratic people's participation processes on municipal level.

2013-2020: regular seminars on minority rights and territorial autonomy at the "Master of Human Rights" at the University of Vienna.

• Name and address of employer

POLITiS South Tyrol's Centre for Political Studies and Civic Education
(Strada del Vino 60, 39057 Appiano, www.politis.it)

- Institute or sector
- Position

POLITiS officially registered non-profit association
Director (responsible head)

• Responsibilities and charges

Consultant, teacher, researcher, author, manager

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- Date (from-to)

1976-1987

• Name and type of education

University education

1976-1983: Economics at the University of Innsbruck (A), economics, political science and sociology at the University LMU of Munich, *Diplom-Volkswirt* (master degree) in 1982.

1984-1987: Political Economy at the University of Trento (I), 1987 second master degree in political economy in Trent (*laurea in economia politica*) with a thesis on "Il finanziamento delle Regioni a statuto speciale".

1992: Specialization in "Theory and politics of international development cooperation" and global politics at the Free University of Berlin (FU Berlin)

1998-2000: specialization course for teachers in adult education (University of Innsbruck and Office for Adult Education of the Aut. Province of Bozen).

Frequent stages and advanced courses for methods and content in adult education, political economy and political sociology.

• Most important subjects of educations/professional degrees

Courses of specialization

Language courses in English, French, Spanish and Nepali with certificates and stages of several months in the respective countries

Two years course of specialization in adult education at the University of Innsbruck 1998-2000

A huge number of conferences, stages and short courses on civic education, teacher training and trade unions trainings and matters.

Academic exchange program with research on the spot with scientific institutes and Universities in Europe and South Asia on minority protection and autonomy in 2004-2006 e 2007-2009. One year of practical experience in research and humanitarian co-operation on the ground in Latin America (Ecuador), Kashmir, Nepal and Northeast India.

As responsible director of the *Library Cultures of the World* (Bozen), the *Society for threatened Peoples* (Bozen) and POLITiS (Eppan) more than 20 seminar cycles on human rights, global south issues, ethnic conflicts and conflict resolution, peace and disarmament, issues of South Tyrol's history, economy and society, monetary policy, EU and European politics, sustainable economics etc.

Adult education: employments as facilitator, speaker, teacher and trainer, consultant for participatory democracy processes and assistant editor and author of textbooks for students on several issues regarding South Tyrol's

social system and economy.

Publications

Most important publications (monographs released by publishing houses or institutions):

- Il finanziamento delle Regioni a statuto speciale, Bolzano 1988
- Arbeit und Ausbildung ohne Grenze, IGR Zentralalpen, Bozen/Innsbruck, 1998
- Il dramma del Kosovo, Datanews, Roma 1998
- Die Arbeitsmarktpolitik in den Zentralalpen, IGR, Bozen 1999
- „Josef Noldin – Ich will nicht Gnade, sondern Recht“, ATHESIA, Bolzano, 1999
- Der soziale Dialog in den Zentralalpen, IGR Zentralalpen, Bozen 2000
- Arbeit und Wirtschaft, Gesellschaft und Gewerkschaft in Südtirol - Lavoro ed economia, società e sindacato in Alto Adige, AFI-IPL Bolzano 2000
- Krieg im Himalaya – Hintergründe des Maoistenaufstandes in Nepal, LIT, Berlin 2003
- Wir sind das Volk – Einführung in die direkte Demokratie, Initiative für mehr Demokratie, 2004
- Il groviglio del Kashmir, Editori Frilli, Genua 2005
- Armut in Südtirol - Povertà in Provincia di Bolzano, Caritas Bolzano 2006
- The World's Working Regional Autonomies, ANTHEM Press London/New Delhi 2007
- Autonomien der Welt, ATHESIA, Bozen 2007
- Il Federalismo Fiscale, Inst. of Political Studies "S. Pio V", Editrice APES, Rom 2008
- Democrazia diretta – Più potere ai cittadini, edizioni SONDA, 2008
- Europe's Ethnic Mosaic - A Short Guide to Minority Rights in Europe, EURAC, 2008
- Language policy and the rights of linguistic minorities in India, LIT Verlag Berlin/Münster, 2009
- Solving Ethnic Conflict through Self-Government - Autonomy in Europe and South Asia (editor), EURAC-EURASIA, Bolzano/Bozen 2009
- The World's Modern Autonomy Systems, EURAC Bolzano 2010, e-book; new edition: "Moderne Autonomiesysteme" (2012). Only digital version for free download.
- Più democrazia per l'Europa, ARCA, Lavis 2010
- Den Grundsätzen treu geblieben - Alfons Benedikt's Wirken für Südtirol im Spiegel der Erinnerung (a cura di), Hechensteiner Verlag, Bozen 2011
- Der Bürgerhaushalt – Die Finanzen der Gemeinde mitbestimmen,, POLITIS 2013
- Il bilancio partecipativo, Edizioni SI, Milano, 2018
- Mit mehr Demokratie zu mehr Autonomie - Bildungsprojekt Autonomiereform (Herausgeber, 2014, SBZ-POLITIS) – Con più democrazia verso più autonomia (a cura di), POLITIS-SBZ 2014
- Die Gemeindepolitik mitgestalten – Ideen und Verfahren der direkten Bürgerbeteiligung, POLITIS, 2014 – Più democrazia nella politica comunale (con Paolo Michelotto), ARCA 2014
- Gaspedal und Bremse - Direkte Demokratie in Südtirol, ARCA-POLITIS, 2015
- La nostra autonomia oggi e domani, ARCA-POLITIS (2016)
- I sudtirolesi - Introduzione poco riverente nel mondo dei sudtirolesi, ARCA, Lavis 2017
- Moneta intera – La creazione di denaro in mano pubblica, ARCA Lavis 2018
- Più potere ai cittadini? Il fascino indiscreto della democrazia diretta, MIMESIS 2018
- La democrazia diretta in Svizzera – Edizioni SI 2019
- 100 Fragen zur Migration – Europa, Italien, Südtirol, RAETIA, Bozen 2020
- 100 Jahre moderne Territorialautonomie – Autonomie weltweit, LIT Verlag Berlin 2021
- 100 Years of Modern Territorial Autonomy – Autonomy around the World, LIT Berlin 2021
- Various publications and 20 expert's papers with POLITIS (2013-2020): <http://www.politis.it/157d466.html#.X70Ug81Ki71>
- A large number of papers and essays for specialized academic journals such as EUROPA ETHNICA and the European Journal of Minority Issues, such as:

Einkommensverhältnisse und die Ungleichheit beim Vermögen, in :Atz/Haller/Pallaver (Hrsg.), *Ethnische Differenzierung und soziale Schichtung in der Südtiroler Gesellschaft*, NOMOS 2016

Direkte Demokratie und Sprachminderheiten in der Schweiz und in Südtirol, in: *Jahrbuch für direkte Demokratie*, NOMOS 2011

Territorial (Sub-State) Autonomy in India, in: Salat/Constantin/Osipov/Székely, *Autonomy*

Arrangements around the World, University Press of Cluj-Napoca 2014

Direct Democracy and Linguistic Minorities in Switzerland and South Tyrol, in: Wilfried Marxer (Hg.), *Direct Democracy and Minorities*, Springer Verlag 2012

Europa braucht mehr Demokratie, in: Obermair/Risse/Romeo (Hg.), Regionale Zivilgesellschaft in Bewegung, FOLIO Verlag 2012

Esperienze europee di federalismo fiscale e di finanziamento delle Regioni, in: Eva Pföstl (a cura di), *Il Federalismo Fiscale*, Editrice APES 2008

Eine Landesagentur für politische Bildung und Bürgerbeteiligung, in: Günther Pallaver (Hg.), *POLITIKA Jahrbuch 2015*, RAETIA 2015

Südtirols Finanzen: beginnen jetzt die mageren Jahre? In: Günther Pallaver (Hg.), *POLITIKA Jahrbuch 2011*, RAETIA 2011

The protection of Linguistic Rights in India, in: Europ. Yearbook on Minority Issues, Nijhoff 2009

Territorial autonomy in India, in: Toniatti/Woelk (ed.), *Regional Autonomy, Cultural Diversity and Differentiated Territorial Governance*, GlassHouseBook, Routledge 2017

The Financial System of the Autonomous Province of Bozen, in: Woelk/Palermo/Marko (eds.), *Tolerance through Law*, Nijhoff 2008

Eine Typologie moderner Formen politischer Autonomie, in: Schweitzer/Liertz (Hg.), *Autonomie – Hoffnungsschimmer oder Illusion?*, Aue-Stiftung, Helsinki 2010

L'Autonomie Territoriale au Service du Règlement des Conflits, in: Mission Permanent du Maroc, *L'Autonomie Territoriale*, New York 2019

Mehr Souveränität der Bürger in einer vollständigen Autonomie, in: A. Raffener (Hg.), *Festschrift für Peter Perenthaler*, Verlag Dr. Kovac 2015

Der Mensch im Arbeitsleben; und: *Die Betreuung der Menschen mit Behinderung und der psychisch kranken Menschen*, in: *Das soziale Netz*, PI/Abt. Berufsbildung, ATHESIA 2002

Other publications accessible from: <https://independent.academia.edu/Benedikter/Papers>

Thomas Benedikter's publications have been released in six languages (German, Italian, English, French, Turkish, Korean). Moreover T.B. has translated academic and literary works in German and Italian language, such as

Gesellschaft für bedrohte Völker, *Sinti und Roma – gestern und heute*, Bozen/Rom 1992

Arbeitsförderungsinstitut, *Südtirols Finanzen*, Bozen, 1998 (Italian to German)

Thomas Benedikter, *Mensch und Wirtschaft, Gesellschaft und Gewerkschaft in Südtirol*, AFI/IPL 2000 (German to Italian)

Gino Strada, *Grüne Papageien – Als Chirurg bei den Opfern der Landminen*, Peter Hammer Verlag 2001 (translation from Italian to German)

Volkserzählungen aus Nepal, ÖKOHIMAL (Hg.), Salzburg 2004

Brigitte Schnock/Hermann Atz, *Soziale Herkunft und Bildungsweg*, Studienverlag 2008

Thomas Benedikter, *The World's Modern Autonomy Systems*, 2007 (English to German)

Thomas Benedikter, *La nostra autonomia oggi e domani*, 2016 (German to Italian)

Thomas Benedikter, *100 Years of Modern Territorial Autonomy 2020*, (German to English)

**PERSONAL SKILLS AND
COMPETENCES**

*Acquisite nel corso della vita e della
carriera ma non necessariamente
riconosciute da certificati e diplomi
ufficiali.*

MOTHER TONGUE

OTHER LANGUAGES

*Reading skills
Writing skills
Oral expression*

RELATIONAL COMPETENCES AND SKILLS

SKILLS OF CONDUCTING
INTERVIEWS

SKILLS OF PARTICIPATORY
RESEARCH

ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS

TECHNICAL SKILLS

OTHER COMPETENCES AND SKILLS

DRIVING LICENCE

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Thomas Benedikter

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[Benedikter Thomas]*

GERMAN

ENGLISH: C1 (READING, WRITING, ORAL)

ITALIAN: C1 (READING, WRITING, ORAL)

FRENCH: B2 ((READING, WRITING, ORAL)

SPANISH: B2 (READING, WRITING, ORAL)

NEPALI: A1 (ORAL ONLY)

20 years of experience in simultaneous translation German-Italian

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Excellent also in public and media communication including public debates and conferences. Facilitator of debates and conferences of all kind. Didactical skills as a teacher and adult trainer. Intercultural communication in 6 languages, with experience gathered on the ground in various countries. Communication in difficult situations on behalf of human rights NGOs and projects of humanitarian cooperation as well as political negotiation and consultancy in crisis areas in countries of the Southern hemisphere. Teamwork usual form of project activity in both professional activities and political commitment as a volunteer.

SKILLS OF CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS

Many years of experience of conducting and elaborating interviews in depth and for representative research surveys (elaboration with Max-QDA) for research and journalistic purposes. Interviews in 5 languages.

SKILLS OF PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH

In cooperation with several research institute (EURAC, APOLLIS, AFI-IPL, ASTAT, Pedagogical Institute) experience with different actors and target groups, based on methods of participatory research. With POLITIS application of innovative processes for citizens' participation in politics.

ORGANISATION SKILLS

Many years of experience as responsible head or director of about 10 NGOs and associations and one co-operative. Experiences in organizing projects of humanitarian cooperation in countries of the global South and civil rights campaigns. Coordinator of several adult education projects and citizens' participation processes.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Advanced command of the OFFICE pocket, software for graphics, photography and design, production and editing of text and publications of any kind, data administration, online editing and videoconference, translations.

CREATIVE SKILLS

Since 35 years activity as writer, editor and freelance publicist. About 30 publications with publishing houses or institutions, collaboration with academic journals and online revues, mostly on social, political and economic affairs (general), society, history and culture of South Tyrol.

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www.europa.eu.int/comm/education/index_it.html
www.eurescv-search.com