



Darius A. Görgen

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER · B.Sc. GEOGRAPHY · B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCES

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Education

M.Sc. in Physical Geography

UNIVERSITY OF MARBURG

- Ongoing thesis on environmental drivers of conflict and migration in East Africa.
- Major in Environmental Informatics, Climatology and Hydrogeography.

Marburg, Germany

Oct. 2018 - today

B.Sc. in Geography

UNIVERSITY OF MARBURG

- Thesis: "Comparison of machine learning algorithms to monitor land use activity in the Ili-Balkhash-Basin".
- Development of R routines to assess agricultural activity based on MODIS data sets and different machine learning algorithms.
- Evaluation of the thesis: 1.0

Marburg, Germany

Oct. 2014 - Feb. 2018

B.A. in Political Sciences of the MENA Region

UNIVERSITY OF MARBURG

- Thesis: "Framing public participation in water management in Jordan".
- Based on qualitative interviews with state officials in the water and agricultural sector.
- Evaluation of the thesis: 0.7

Marburg, Germany

Oct. 2014 - Sep. 2018

Abitur

GUSTAV-STRESEMANN GYMNASIUM

- Grade: 1.4

Bad Wildungen, Germany

Oct. 2005 - Jun. 2013

Skills

Back-end PostgreSQL, SSH, Docker

Front-end Shiny, Markdown

Programming R, Python, Bash

Languages German, English, French, Spanish, Turkish, Arab

Working Experience

MapTailor Geospatial Consulting GbR

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

- Consultancy for project evaluation in the international cooperation sector.
- Development of several R packages to support planning and evaluation of deforestation/afforestation projects.
- Agil software development environment in a multi-stakeholder process.

Bonn, Germany

Jan. 2020 - today

Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF), Member of the Leibniz Association

STUDENT ASSISTANT

- Support of ongoing research on economic protests in Tunisia and Egypt.
- Worked on a project on Natural Language Processing of news articles for topic identification.

Frankfurt, Germany

Oct. 2019 - Jan. 2020

Department of Climatology and Environmental Modelling

STUDENT ASSISTANT

- Support of an doctoral researcher working on the global identification of a new type of tropical lowland cloud forest.
- Development of R and Python routines to process large amounts of satellite data.

Marburg, Germany

May. 2015 - Dec. 2019

Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

EXTERNAL CONSULTANT

- Evaluation report on GIZ activities at the intersection of the water and agricultural sector.
- Qualitative interviews with project staff worldwide.
- Critical reflection of lessons-learned and recommendations for the strategic orientation of the water sector.

Marburg, Germany

Nov. 2018 - Dec. 2018

Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

INTERN FOR SUSTAINABLE WATER POLICY

- Support in drafting the BMZ strategy paper on water, flight and migration.
- Quantitative analysis of numbers on migration and water risk on the African continent.
- Evaluation of project proposal in the agricultural sector from a water sector's perspective.

Eschborn, Germany

Mar. 2018 - Jun. 2018

Department of Soil and Hydrogeography

STUDENT ASSISTANT

- Support of ongoing research projects.
- Conduction of tutorials for fellow students.
- Support in scientific writing for fellow students.

Marburg, Germany

Oct. 2016 - Dec. 2016

International Experience

Workshop by the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)

THINK TANK ON DECENTRALIZATION, INSTITUTION-BUILDING AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF MARGINALIZED REGIONS IN TUNISIA

- Two week workshop with Tunisian and European activists and researchers.
- Writing of a policy paper entitled "Towards Sustainable Water Resource Management and Food Sovereignty in Tunisia".

Tunis, Tunisia and Berlin, Germany

Sep. 2018 - Oct. 2018

Summer School in Teheran

SOCIAL POLICY IN OIL-BASED ECONOMIES

- DAAD sponsored program on Political Economy of Natural Resource Management (NAREM).

Teheran, Iran

Oct. 2017 - Nov. 2017

Arabic Language and Culture

GERMAN-JORDANIAN UNIVERSITY

- Winning candidate of a DAAD scholarship for a four-month language course.

Amman, Jordan

Oct. 2017 - Jan. 2018

Research Excursion in Bolivia

WATER IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND AS A BASIC COMMODITY FOR HUMAN ACTIVITY

- Qualitative interviews with various stakeholders on electricity and water supply.

La Paz, Bolivia

Aug. 2017 - Sep. 2017

Field Work for the thesis in the B.Sc. Geography

AL-FARABI KAZAKH NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, ALMATY

- Independent organization of field trips to collect ground truth points in agricultural zones around Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Almaty, Kazakhstan

Mar. 2017 - Apr. 2017

Research Excursion in Tunisia

LOGIC OF ACTION IN THE TUNISIAN TRANSFORMATION PROCESS

- Qualitative interviews with social actors of the Tunisian transformation process.
- Focus on transitional justice since the revolution in 2011.

Tunis, Tunisia

Sep. 2016

Research Excursion in Morocco

ANALYSIS OF LOCAL VALUE CHAINS

- Qualitative interviews on the value chain of leather products.

Marrakech, Morocco

Apr. 2016 - May. 2016

Showcase

Using machine learning for the automatic classification of spectral samples to detect microplastic particles

SEMINAR WORK AT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOIL AND HYDROGEOGRAPHY, PROF. DR. PETER CHIFFLARD

- Development of R routines to preprocess and analyse spectral data from environmental samples.
- Reproducible documentation of the workflow and results on a website.
- Click here or visit <https://goergen95.github.io/polymerID>

Marburg, Germany

Sep. 2019

Low-cost environmental sensor boxes for the LOEWE's research project Natur4.0

SEMINAR WORK AT THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS, DR. CHRISTOPH REUDENBACH

- Assembly and documentation of low-cost sensor boxes based on a Raspberry Pi.
- Click here or visit <https://goergen95.github.io/sensorbox-docu>

Marburg, Germany

Jul. 2019

Mapping forest stand structures based on aerial images and LiDAR data

SEMINAR WORK AT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATICS, PROF. DR. THOMAS NAUSS

- Development of R routines to preprocess optical and LiDAR data for forest stand analysis.
- Development of a website to communicate the workflow and results.
- Click here or visit https://goergen95.github.io/mof_caldern

Marburg, Germany

Feb. 2019