Samantha L. Beekman

Experience

Project Manager & Senior Analyst

Dec. 2022 -Present

Endeva | Berlin, Germany

- Managed relations with +200 stakeholders and engaged +350 actors across projects. Analyzed +100 interviews, workshops and consultations centering participatory methods and local knowledge.
- · Led project team in publishing three reports on gender and inclusive business with United Nations ESCAP.
- · Contributed to the collective impact strategy of millers in eight countries and organized panels, conferences and communications to fight malnutrition through food fortification globally with the Gates Foundation.
- · Orchestrated three policy briefs and three systems change processes on green hydrogen in Africa with GIZ.
- · Supported project reporting and compliance for DIGILOGIC, EU-AU project from EU's Horizon 2020 program.
- · Co-led business development operations through proposal and grant writing, including drafting budgets.
- · Facilitated +10 workshops online and in-person in Germany, Kenya, Namibia and South Africa.
- · Led organization communications, including the communications strategy, newsletter, LinkedIn and website.

Research Lead Feb. 2022 –

Impact Civil Society Research & Development | Berlin, Germany

May 2022

- · Led team of five researching incorporation of the Syrian diaspora into German and European policymaking.
- · Managed the project, conducted literature reviews, interviewed stakeholders and presented project findings.

Policy Researcher Aug. 2020 –

Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

Aug. 2021

- \cdot Analyzed COVID-19 data and published twice-weekly reports to +3,000 internal and external stakeholders.
- · Supported proposal development and research support on topics including good governance and education.
- · Covered the Louisiana Legislative Session, monitoring legislation & writing policy briefs in accessible terms.
- · Co-organized annual donor and stakeholder conference, including online presence and keynote speakers.

Reporter & Content Producer

Aug. 2020 – Aug. 2021

Climate 360 News & Manship Statehouse Bureau | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

- Interviewed experts and published technical reports, feature stories and hard news on climate change with a focus on migration at climate360news.com with a focus on climate-induced migration.
- Reported on Louisiana's 2021 Regular Legislative Session for +80 news outlets through the LSU Manship School News Service under the direction of Chris Drew, former New York Times investigative reporter.

Communications Intern May 2019 –

Emergent Method | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

June 2020

- · Strategized on relocation grant communication for Isle de Jean Charles, "America's First Climate Refugees."
- Designed, fielded, analyzed and summarized large-scale, statewide surveys, conducted research, supported proposal development and facilitated strategic communication for clients and prospective clients.

Education

Master of Public PolicyAug. 2021 -Hertie School | Berlin, GermanyJune 2024

· Concentration in Policy Analysis with a focus on climate and migration as a Rotary International Scholar

· Founded Solidarity Collective; president of Hertie School Hikers; Sustainability & Middle East Policy clubs

Migration and Refugee Studies | Exchange

Aug. 2023 -Dec. 2023

American University in Cairo | Cairo, Egypt

· Egyptian Colloquial Arabic & migration and refugee studies at the Center for Migration and Refugee Studies

Certificate of European Studies | Exchange

Aug. 2019 -

Sciences Po | Strasbourg, France

May 2020

B.A. International Studies & B.A. Mass Communication

Aug. 2017 -

Louisiana State University Ogden Honors College | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

May 2021

· Concentrations in Global Diplomacy, Political Communication & Middle East with minors in Arabic & French

Conferences and Research

Climate, Migration & Colonialism: An event history analysis of determinants of peace

June 2024

Hertie School | Berlin, Germany

• Event history analysis analyzing the role of climate vulnerability, migration patterns and colonial history in determining lengths of conflict worldwide from 1960-2022.

Effect of Executive Party's Anti-Immigrant Polarization on COVID-19 External Border Restrictions

May 2022

Hertie School | Berlin, Germany

· RDD research design and final report, writing code and analyzing data in R to examine the impact of executives' party polarization around migration on the severity of COVID-19 external border restrictions.

COVID-19 Resources Portal

Aug. 2021

Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

- · Maintained COVID-19 Resources Portal, curating an original data set analyzing Louisiana's COVID-19 trends.
- · Published biweekly reports to +3,000 stakeholders informing economic and policy decisions across the state.

Evolution of Media Perception: The Issue of Migration

March 2020

Sciences Po | Strasbourg, France

- To be presented at Castle Talks on Cross-Border Cooperation: The Migration Crisis A Humanitarian Challenge for Border Regions in Strasbourg, France, which was canceled due to COVID-19.
- $\cdot \ 1st \ place \ departmental \ research \ presentation \ at \ LSU \ Undergraduate \ Research \ and \ Creativity \ Symposium.$
- \cdot Mixed-methods approach to analyze media representation and public perception of migration.

Restore Louisiana June 2019

Emergent Method | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

• Designed, fielded, analyzed and summarized statewide surveys of +3,000 respondents for Restore Louisiana with Qualtrics and Excel to facilitate distribution of federal funding to Louisiana families victim to 2016 floods.

Skills

Data Analysis: R; Microsoft Excel; Qualtrics; SAS; SurveyMonkey; Google Forms; Flourish

Communications: Microsoft Word & PowerPoint; Canva; Mailchimp; LinkedIn; Facebook; Instagram; X (Twitter)

Project Management: ClickUp; Slack; Trello; Miro; Mural; Doodle; When2Meet; Otter.ai

Languages: English Native; German B1; French A2; Spanish A1; Modern Standard Arabic A1; Egyptian Colloquial Arabic A1

Volunteer Work

Founder & Member

Oct. 2024 -

Solidarity Collective & Student Coalition Berlin | Berlin, Germany

Present

- · Founded Hertie Solidarity Collective and Student Coalition Berlin, anti-colonial student solidarity networks.
- · Networked with international academic advocacy groups advancing human rights and anti-colonial practices.

Grant Writer & Volunteer Sept. 2023 -

Tafawol Association for Special Needs and Development | Cairo, Egypt

Jan. 2024

 $\cdot \ Supported\ grant\ writing\ for\ educational, physical\ \&\ psychological\ support\ for\ special\ needs\ refugee\ children.$

Team Leader & Driver

March 2022 -

Berlin to Borders | Berlin, Germany

Aug. 2023

- $\cdot \ Coordinated \ among \ +80 \ members \ and \ partners \ to \ facilitate \ donations, project \ finances \ \& \ resource \ allocation.$
- Drove to the Polish-Ukrainian border delivering supplies and transporting refugees back to Berlin, connecting displaced Ukrainians with access to housing and resources in the short and long term.

Executive Staff June 2020 –

Louisiana Vote | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

Aug. 2021

- · Successfully changed the Secretary of State's policy from a fax-only application to an accessible online form and pushed a joint campaign to recruit poll workers for the November 2020 federal and state elections.
- · Organized a statewide coalition including the Secretary of State to advocate for universal vote-by-mail, increased voter registration & poll worker recruitment through donor-funded grassroots digital campaigns.

Team Leader May 2019 –

Las Carmelas Migrant Assistance Program | Baton Rouge, LA, USA

Aug. 2019

- · Coordinated and led community partners and teams of 10 volunteers to meet asylum seekers with aid.
- · Served as a Spanish/English liaison between migrants and volunteers.