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## **Curriculum Vitae**

### **Academic and Professional Background**

Born 1953, Germany; Technical University (RWTH) Aachen: English Studies, Geography, Geology (1972-1975). Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, USA: Geography, Economics, Agricultural Economics, Sociology (1975-1982): M.A. Geography (1977); M.A. Exams Micro- and Macro-Economic Theory (1980); Ph.D. General Exam (Economics/Development Economics, 1981); Doctor of Philosophy in Geography (Ph.D.) (1982). Assistant Professor, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, Department of Urban and Regional Studies; Visiting Research Fellow, Institute of Fundamental Studies, Sri Lanka; Post-Doctoral Fellow, Free University of Berlin, John F. Kennedy Institute for North American Studies; Research Scholar German Science Foundation; Privat-Dozentin, John F. Kennedy-Institute for North American Studies, Free University Berlin; University Professor, Geography/Urban and Regional Studies; Head of the Institute of Geography, University of Basel, Switzerland, 1995 - 2020.

### **Scholarships and Awards**

Fulbright Scholarships USA (1975-1977); Ph.D. Scholarship, Ohio State University (1977-1981); US National Science Foundation Research Scholarship (1981-1982), Ohio State University Alumni Research Award (1982); Fulbright/US Agency for International Development (USAID) Research Scholarship Sri Lanka (1983); Sri Lanka Institute of Fundamental Studies Research Scholarship (1984); University of Maryland General Research Board Research Award (1984); German Science Foundation Research Grants (1991-1993); Hans Bobek - Award of the Austrian Geographical Society (1995).

### **Editorial Boards, Scientific Committees**

*Geographica Helvetica*, Swiss Journal of Geography (*Geographica Helvetica online*); Westermann "Das Geographische Seminar"; Basler Stadt- und Regionalforschung; Basler Beiträge zur Geographie; Bulletin de l'Association de Géographes Français; Revue Géographique de l'Est; Regio Basiliensis. Association Suisse de Géographie; Landeskomitee International Geographical Union; Association de Géographes Français; Association Interuniversitaire de Géographie de l'Est; International Geographical Union (IGU), Taskforce Megacities; Regio Basiliensis; Geographisch-Ethnologische Gesellschaft Basel; Newsletter Southasia disasters.net, All India Disaster Mitigation Institute, Ahmedabad, India; BAK-Basel, Basel Economics; Post Graduate (Diploma of Advanced Studies) Degree Program Urban and Regional Management; Kompetenzzentrum Kulturelle Topographien der Universität Basel.

### **Research Emphases**

**Urban social geography, urban policy and development:** GIS-assisted analyses of socio-demographic, economic milieus and the built urban environment, (6) survey methods to study individual and household preferences and needs, perceived quality of the urban environment, locational/residential behavior, group perception and evaluation of space.

**Regional economic growth, competitive regions:** Geostatistical and GIS-methods are applied for analysing spatial growth and development. Survey methods are employed to study enterprises, households and consumers.

**Development cooperation, community development and local capacity building:** community and micro development in urban slums and rural communities; empirical survey methods and GIS-assisted analyses like slum mapping.

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### **Professional Memberships**

Association Suisse de Géographie (ASG); Schweizerische Studiengesellschaft für Raumordnung und Regionalpolitik (ROREP); Fédération Suisse des Urbanistes (FSU); Verband der Geographen an Deutschen Hochschulen (VGDH); Deutscher Verband der Angewandten Geographen (DVAG); Association de Géographes Français; Association Interuniversitaire de Géographie de l'Est; Association of American Geographers (AAG); American Planning Association (APA); Regio Basiliensis e.V.; Geographisch- Ethnologische Gesellschaft Basel (GEG).

**Current Research projects (2016 – 2020)**

*System analysis of seasonal influenza – virus transmission and evolution in the City of Basel, SNF interdisciplinary project Nr. CR3213\_166258 (2016-2020). Approved by: Ethics Commission of Northwestern and Central Switzerland (EKNZ, Nr. 2015-363), Principal Investigators: PD Dr. Adrian Egli, Basel University Hospital, Department of Clinical Microbiology and the University Department of Biomedicine, Schneider-Sliwa, Prof. Dr. Tanja Stadler, ETH-Zurich Department of Biosystems Sciences and Engineering, Computational Evolution and Institute of Integrative Biology.*

**Publications**

*Total of 153, of which 10 major books and edited collections, authored 32 research reports (book length) on contract studies for public administration, 40 scholarly articles, 35 book chapters/articles in edited collections and encyclopedias.*

**PhD dissertations and Master's theses**

*21 doctoral dissertations*

*167 Master's theses, of which 128 in Geography and 39 DAS – Diploma of Advanced Studies in Urban and Regional Management*

**Important Books (selected)****Books, Edited Collections**

*Schneider-Sliwa, R., Wehrhahn, R., Helbrecht, I., Braun B., (Hrsg.): mit Reuber P., Glasze, G., Miggelbrink, J. Müller-Mahn, D.: Humangeographie ( Westermann Verlag, Braunschweig, ersch. 2020), 600 S.*

*Schneider-Sliwa R. (Hrsg.) Stadt – Region – Landschaft. 2019, 648 pp. Schwabe Verlag (im Druck)*

*Schneider-Sliwa R. (Hrsg.) Schweiz. Geschichte, Politik, Wirtschaft, Geographie. Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft, Darmstadt, 2011, 228 pp.*

*Schneider-Sliwa R. USA. Geschichte, Politik, Wirtschaft, Geographie. Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft, Darmstadt, 2005, 268 pp.*