

CV of Michaela Raab

Summary

A full-time independent consultant since 2008, I have focused on:

- **Evaluation**, leading in more than 30 evaluations based on a broad range of approaches and methods across five continents,
- Strengthening of planning, monitoring, evaluation and learning (**PMEL**) systems, and
- Design and **facilitation of planning, decision-making and joint learning** processes, also in multi-stakeholder and multi-lingual settings.

A large part of my evaluation experience has been devoted to the fields of international development, participation and human rights, with a focus on gender justice. My clients include large to small multilateral, bilateral and non-governmental organisations with diverse missions. I deliver reports in English, French and German; Chinese (*putonghua*), Dutch and Spanish are also languages I work with.

Before going free-lance, I accumulated some 20 years (1989-2008) of global experience in international development, managing diverse teams and programmes – as well as commissioning, managing and using evaluations in cross-cultural contexts.

Exemplary projects

- Human rights portfolio evaluation for Bread for the World (Germany), spanning 301 projects implemented by some 250 organisations around the world (2016-2018, mixed methods).
- Comparative Qualitative Analysis (QCA) of evaluation methods for interventions in the field of violence against women and girls, UK Department for International Development (DFID). Our presentation of the results won the European Evaluation Society's Best Poster Award.
- Evaluation of the *Women on the Frontline* programme in seven countries of the Middle East and North Africa on behalf of HIVOS (Netherlands).
- Evaluation of regional programmes of the Heinrich Böll and Rosa Luxemburg Foundations.
- Evaluation of the Amity Foundation's (China) small grant fund.
- Review of good practice on gender equality in the international programmes of German organisations.
- Advisory services on PMEL and gender-sensitive research and advocacy for Transparency International.

Career summary

Since 2008	Independent Consultant based in Berlin, Germany
2003–2007	Programme Director, Oxfam Germany
1997-2003	Programme Officer and Interim Head of Regional Bureau, Oxfam Novib (Netherlands)
1996	Independent Consultant based in Beijing, China (Main clients: UNDP, Ford Foundation)
1991-96	China Programme Officer, Save the Children Fund (UK)
1989-91	Junior Professional Officer, UNIDO (Beijing)

Academic qualifications

1988	Post-graduate degree (DEA) in International Public Law, University of Aix-Marseille III, France
1988	M.A. (<i>Maîtrise</i>) in Chinese Studies, University of Provence and INALCO (Sorbonne), Paris
1987	B.A. (<i>Diplôme</i>) in Political Sciences, Institute of Political Studies, Aix-en-Provence (France), Saint John Perse Award for the Best Thesis in International Relations (qualitative research)

Professional memberships and voluntary engagement

- Mentor on behalf of the Coady International Institute (St. Francis Xavier University, Canada) for alumni of the Coady Global Change Leaders Programme (since 2014)
- European Evaluation Society (EES)

Specialised training (selection)

- Continuing education in methods of social research
- GIZ Capacity WORKS (Denkmodell Berlin)
- Do No Harm Trainers' Training (KURVE Wustrow in collaboration with INKOTA, Berlin)
- Disaster Management (University of Wisconsin)
- In-service training on project and personnel management, win-win negotiation, gender mainstreaming and conflict transformation

Selected publications

Selected articles

- Raab, Michaela and Stuppert, Wolfgang (April 2018) "Effective evaluation of projects on violence against women and girls". *Development in Practice* Volume 28 Issue 4 pp.541-551.
- Raab, Michaela (January 2016) "Evaluationen wirkungsvoll nutzen" (conference review). *Zeitschrift für Evaluation* Volume 15 Issue 1 pp. 133-137.
- Raab, Michaela and Stuppert, Wolfgang (July 2015) "Gegen Unterdrückung im Namen der Ehre: das Projekt HEROES". *Unsere Jugend* Volume 67 Issue 7&8 pp. 300-308.
- Raab, Michaela and Rocha, Jasmin (October 2013) "Understanding quality in services supporting women survivors of gender-based violence". *Development in Practice* Vol. 23 Issue 7 pp.826-839.
- Raab, Michaela (October 2013) "'Evidence artefacts' oder Hilfen für Erkenntnisgewinn?" (conference review). *Zeitschrift für Evaluation* Volume 12 Issue 2 pp. 315-320.
- Raab, Michaela (June 2008) "Could cognitive theory enhance development practice?" *Development in Practice* Volume 18 Issue 3 pp. 430-436.

Published reviews and evaluations

- *Review of approaches and methods in evaluations of interventions related to violence against women and girls*. UK Department for International Development (DFID, 2014). Available on http://r4d.dfid.gov.uk/pdf/outputs/misc_gov/61259-Raab_Stuppert_Report_VAWG_Evaluations_Review_DFID_20140626.pdf.
- *Evaluation of the "We Can End All Violence against Women" Campaign*. Available on <http://policy-practice.oxfam.org.uk/publications/the-we-can-campaign-in-south-asia-2004-2011-external-evaluation-report-146189>.
- Report of the HEROES quasi-experimental impact assessment of school-based work to prevent gender-based violence. Full evaluation report and summaries thereof in:
 - + Landeskommision Berlin gegen Gewalt (2015) *Berliner Monitoring Jugendgewalt-delinquenz*. Berliner Forum Gewaltprävention Nr. 56. Senatsverwaltung für Inneres und Sport. Berlin.
 - + Landeskommision Berlin gegen Gewalt (2015) *Prävention auf dem Prüfstand*. Berliner Forum Gewaltprävention Nr. 57. Senatsverwaltung für Inneres und Sport. Berlin.
 - + Lüter, Albrecht und Michael Bergert (eds.) (2015) *Gewaltprävention in einer pluralen Stadt. Drei Projektevaluationen*. Arbeitsstelle Jugendgewaltprävention. Berlin.

Guides for practitioners and working papers

- Raab, Michaela (2017) *Gender-Responsive Work on Land and Corruption: A practical guide*. Berlin: Transparency International. Available on https://www.transparency.org/whatwedo/publication/gender_responsive_work_on_land_and_corrupti_on_a_practical_guide.
- Hummelbrummer, Richard, B. Causemann, T. Mutter and M. Raab (2015) "Systemische Ansätze in der Evaluation" in *Evaluation komplexer Systeme*. Potsdamer Geographische Praxis // 10. Potsdam.
- *Ending Violence against Women: An Oxfam Guide* (2012) Available on <https://www.oxfam.org/sites/www.oxfam.org/files/ending-violence-against-women-oxfam-guide-nov2012.pdf>.
- UN WOMEN Knowledge Asset on campaigning: www.endvawnow.org ("Campaigns" link).

Own blog

- Information sharing and opinion blog www.developblog.org (since 2008)