

Curriculum Vitae

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Key professional competencies

Storyteller (Filmmaker, Journalist, Photographer and Communications Expert) with a **Master of Arts in History, Media Sciences and Business Studies** and **ten years** of professional work experience **at national and international level** as a Filmmaker, Photographer, Copywriter, Editor, Freelance Journalist, Communications and Media Advisor, including in a post-conflict setting

Work experience

Dates
Occupation or Position held
Clients
Sector

October 2014-present
Filmmaker, Photographer, Freelance Journalist, Multi-Media Consultant, working from Accra, Ghana and Switzerland
Anti-Corruption, Rule of Law and Accountability Programme ARAP (FIAPP/European Union); UNICEF Ghana; UNICEF Pacific; T-TEL Transforming Teacher Education and Learning (Ghana Government/UK aid); Global Shea Alliance, Guinness Ghana Limited, Lonely Planet, Swiss Economic Cooperation SECO, Guinness Ghana Breweries Ltd, Media in Europe
Filmmaking, Photography, Print

Producing, directing, filming and editing **video documentaries** as well as **taking photographs** for international organisations (www.eliostamm.com), writing **articles** for newspapers and magazines in Switzerland, Austria and Germany (**in German**) and other international media (**in English**).

- **Producing, writing, shooting and editing documentary videos and often taking photographs at the same time** (2-15 minutes length) for ARAP (2017), UNICEF Ghana (November 2015-present), Transforming Teacher Education and Learning T-TEL (Ghana government/UK aid, 2017), GROC 350.org (2017), UNICEF Pacific (2015), Global Shea Alliance (2015).
- **Writing and taking photographs** for the Accra-hub on the homepage of the travel guide *Lonely Planet* (October 2016-present, www.lonelyplanet.com/ghana/accra). Drafting them in the CMS solution of Lonely Planet (Christo).
- **Publishing features, reports and news articles about Ghana and Africa** (economics, politics, sports) for newspapers and magazines, including the leading Swiss newspaper *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, and *FIFA weekly*, the

	<p>official magazine of the world football federation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project managing the design and copy editing the content of a brochure for SECO, the Swiss Economic Cooperation in Ghana.
Dates	October 2012-January 2013, August 2013-August 2014
Occupation or Position held	Freelance Journalist, Filmmaker, Media Advisor , Honiara, Solomon Islands
Clients	Print media in Europe and the Pacific; television channel in Solomon Islands
Sector	Print and Video Journalism; Media Advisory
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Investigated and wrote features, reports and news articles about the Pacific and took photographs for newspapers and magazines in Switzerland, Austria and Germany (in German) as well as for magazines in the Pacific (in English); worked as a contracted advisor for the sole television channel in Solomon Islands, <i>One Television</i>; produced a documentary film about the floods that hit the country in April 2014; gave presentations on journalism.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Published features, reports and news articles about the Pacific in German in the political, economic, travel and sports sections of newspapers and magazines, including the leading Swiss newspaper <i>Neue Zürcher Zeitung</i>, several other Swiss daily newspapers as the <i>St. Galler Tagblatt</i> and the <i>Neue Luzerner Zeitung</i> including their Sunday papers, the Austrian <i>Salzburger Nachrichten</i> (as the paper's official Pacific Correspondent), Germany's second largest Sunday paper <i>Sonntag Aktuell</i> and several special interest magazines like <i>FIFA weekly</i>, the official magazine of the world football federation. • Published travel features in English and took photographs for <i>Solomons</i>, the inflight magazine of the national Solomon Airlines, as well as for <i>Pacific Island Living</i>, a regionally distributed lifestyle magazine • Advised management and staff of the only television channel in Solomon Islands, <i>One Television</i>, providing feature training to journalists, advising the editor in chief in business and broadcasting ideas and realising television reports • Produced, filmed and edited a documentary about the floods that hit the Solomon Islands in April 2014 and about the problems the poor country faced in dealing with the disaster; the 30 minutes long film "After the Flood" has been released on the internet (in English and German, for link see publication list below) and will be publically screened in the Solomon Islands. • Gave presentations on journalism to local journalists at a workshop about mining and to journalism students at Solomon Islands National University (SINU)
Dates	January 2010- July 2013
Occupation or Position held	Editor
Employer	<i>Zürichsee-Zeitung</i> , Horgen, Switzerland
Sector	Print Journalism
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Wrote and edited articles for the regional section of the Swiss daily newspaper <i>Zürichsee-Zeitung</i>, captured supporting photographs, completed layouts, planned and managed the production as well as the editorial team, and was responsible for the front page under strict deadlines and high time pressure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigated, wrote and edited news articles, reports, interviews, portraits, opinion articles and features, focused mainly on political and economic topics • Took pictures, organised and supervised graphical illustrations of articles • Planned the production and managed the editorial team, was in charge of the daily meetings, organised and supervised articles of freelance journalists and reviewed the final version of the newspaper pages • Worked special nightshifts at the newspaper's main office, where I was responsible for the editing and layout of the front page of the <i>Zürichsee-Zeitung</i> and two connected newspapers and made last minute decisions in times of emergency

Dates September 2007-December 2009
Occupation or Position held **Copywriter and Communication Advisor**
Employer SE IMPULS ! Marketing AG, Adliswil, Switzerland
Sector Marketing and Communication
Main activities and responsibilities Worked as Chief Copywriter and Communication Advisor for a marketing and communication agency, **managed projects, provided technical advice, designed concepts and wrote texts** for internal agency and external client use.

- **Led and managed** a two person copywriting team, planned workload and proofread output
- Wrote and edited texts for the agency's **homepage** and **newsletter**, wrote and directed SE IMPULS! 's **online video show**
- **Wrote and edited texts** for customers in the form of press releases, customer magazines, annual reports, brochures, ads and homepage texts
- **Managed** internal projects such as the development of an online television show and the concept for a new homepage, as well as external projects such as product sampling at sport events
- **Advised customers on public relations, communications and advertisement**, planned public relations and communications strategy design and implementation

Dates April 2008-December 2009
Occupation or Position held **Freelance Journalist**
Employer Daily newspapers and magazines in Switzerland
Sector Print Journalism

Main activities and responsibilities **Wrote articles, features and reports** on a freelance basis for several Swiss daily newspapers and magazines, including *Zürichsee-Zeitung*, Horgen; *Schaffhauser Nachrichten*, Schaffhausen; *Express*, Schaffhausen; *Schaffhauser Mappe*, Schaffhausen.

- Wrote articles and **took photographs**
- **Suggested and wrote long features** for *Express*, the weekly magazine of the *Schaffhauser Nachrichten*

Dates March 2003-March 2008
Position or Position held **Administrative Assistant**
Employer Coop Zentralschweiz-Zürich, Zurich
Sector Retail

Main activities and responsibilities Worked one day a week as an Administrative Assistant at the headquarters of Coop, a big Swiss retailer, **prepared invoices and controlled delivery notes**.

Education and training

Dates Since 2008-present
Title of qualification awarded Constant self-education: Read countless books and articles and watched video tutorials on journalism, photography and filmmaking tools and techniques (just one specific course mentioned below).

Name and type of organisation World Wide Web

Dates January-May 2015
Title of qualification awarded Online-course in video editing
Name and type of organisation www.insidetheedit.com

Dates February 2011
Title of qualification awarded Completed a course in feature, opinion article and report writing
Name and type of organisation Internal training at *Zürichsee-Zeitung*

Dates	2001-2007
Title of qualification awarded	Master of Arts (Topics: History, Media Sciences, Business Studies)
Name and type of organisation	University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland
Dates	1997-2001
Title of qualification awarded	Matura (high school degree), focus on Economics and Law
Name and type of organisation	Cantonal High-School, Schaffhausen, Switzerland
Skills/Competencies	
Mother tongue	Swiss German
Other Languages	German, English (Fluent); French (Proficient); Italian (Basic Understanding)
Computer Skills	Microsoft Office (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Adobe Premier Pro, Adobe After Effects, Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, Quark X-Press, Quark Copy-Desk, Sony Movie Studio Platinum, CMS/blog software
Other competencies	Former Member of the Swiss Journalist Register <i>Berufsregister (BR)</i> Trained in photography, filming and video editing Trained in emergency first response Holder of an International Driving License - B Type Holder of the PADI Diving Open Water License
Military Experience	More than 30 weeks of compulsory army service in Switzerland, first being responsible for field communication in command posts of infantry units, later publishing a newsletter
Volunteer Experience	Journalism training to teenage students of Woodford International School in Honiara, Solomon Islands (2014) President and media spokesperson of the Swiss football club FC Fibada, playing organised football in Schaffhausen, Switzerland (2010-2013) Founder , president and media contact for the Swiss amateur football team Radar Bürgerheim in Schaffhausen, Switzerland (2001-2007)
Publications	
	For video and film projects see: www.eliostamm.com/films
	For photography example see: www.eliostamm.com/photo
	For a list of articles published as a freelance journalist see: www.eliostamm.com/articles
	Master Thesis: Stamm, E. (2006), "Grossbritanniens Umgang mit privaten Militärfirmen seit 1990" (Great Britain's experience with Private Military Companies since 1990), Zentralbibliothek Zürich, Zurich, Switzerland.
References	
	Eulette Ewart, Chief of Communication, UNICEF Ghana, ewart@unicef.org
	Riccardo D'Emidio. Civic Education Expert (and my main counterpart), ARAP - Accountability, Rule of Law and Anti-corruption Programme in Ghana, rdemidio@araphana.eu
	Matt Philipps, Destination Editor sub-Saharan Africa, Lonely Planet, matt.phillips@lonelyplanet.com