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Academic Qualification

- 1969/70-1974: Studies of Slavic literatures and languages at the Freie Universität Berlin, as well as Armenian studies and sociology
- 1974-75: Postgraduate research at the State Universities of St Petersburg, Yerevan and Tbilisi
- February 1982: Defended her doctoral thesis at the Freie Universität Berlin (Slavic literatures/Languages, Armenian studies, sociology)

Profession

- Since February 2006: Research Associate at the Chair of Sociology at the Institute for Eastern European Studies, Freie Universität Berlin
- December 1983-January 2006: Scientific documentarist at the Institute for Eastern European Studies
- Numerous publications on Armenian history, culture and recent situation. Other areas of interest: Studies on historical and present migration trends; minorities and their rights; nationalities policies

Recent books

- Tessa Hofmann, Matthias Bjørnlund; Vassilios Meichanetsidis (Ed.): The Genocide against the Ottoman Greeks: Studies on the State-Sponsored Campaign of Extermination of the Christians of Asia Minor, 1912-1922 and Its Aftermath: History, Law, Memory. Athens: Melissa Publishing House, 2011
- Tessa Hofmann: One Nation – Three Sub-Ethnic Groups: The Case of Armenia and her Diaspora. With a Foreword by Prof. Dr. Gevorg Poghosyan. Yerevan: Narek, 2011 (ISBN 978 – 5 – 317 – 03626 – 3)
- Genov, Nikolai; Savvidis, Tessa (Ed.s): Trans-Boundary Migration in the Post-Soviet Space: Three Case Studies. Frankfurt/Main: Peter Lang, 2011
- Tessa Hofmann: Annäherung an Armenien: Geschichte und Kultur (Approaching Armenia: History and Culture. Munich, 1997; 2nd 2007)
- Tessa Hofmann; Andreas Wolfensberger: Armenien: Stein um Stein (Armenia: Stone by Stone; Bremen, 2001; 2nd rev. ed. 2005; with photographs by Andreas Wolfensberger)
- Tessa Hofmann: Armenier in Berlin – Berlin und Armenien (Armenians of Berlin – Berlin and Armenia). Berlin: The Commissioner for Integration and Migration of the Berlin Senate, 2005

- Tessa Hofmann (Ed.): *Verfolgung, Vertreibung und Vernichtung der Christen im Osmanischen Reich 1912-1922 (Persecution, Expulsion and Annihilation of the Christian Population in the Ottoman Empire, 1912-1922)* Münster: LIT-Verlag, 2004 (2nd rev. edition 2007; Turkish edition: Istanbul: Belge, 2012)

Collaboration in international Research Projects

- *Comparing Societal Integration of Ethnic Minorities* (2005-2007; Head: Prof. Dr. Nikolai Genov), funded by the EU INTAS Program
- *Comparing Out- Migration from Armenia and Georgia* (2008-2010; Head: Prof. Dr. Nikolai Genov), funded by VW-Stiftung

Volunteer human rights activities

- Since 1979: Volunteer of the international *Society for Threatened Peoples* and co-founder of its Co-ordinating Group Armenia
- Since 1985: Co-founder and co-chair of the *Centre for Information and Documentation on Armenia*
- 1999-2001: *Co-ordinator of the Working Group Recognition* (Arbeitsgruppe Anerkennung, AGA) and chair-woman of the re-organized in 2003 *Working Group Recognition – Against Genocide, for International Understanding* (registered in Germany as a non-profit NGO). More information www.aga-online.org

Awards and Honours

- 1988: Garbis Papazian Award of the *Armenian General Benevolent Union* (New York)
- 2002: Honorary professor of the *Hrachia Ajarian University*, Yerevan
- 2003: Fridtjof Nansen Medal of the *National Museum and Institute of the Armenian Genocide*, Yerevan
- 2003: Hakob Meghapart Medal of the *National Library of Armenia*, Yerevan
- 2005: Medal for studies on the genocide against the Armenians, given by the *National Museum and Institute of the Armenian Genocide*, Yerevan
- 2009: Honorary member of the human rights NGO *Society of Threatened Peoples*, Germany

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