

## Erika Bürkle



Erika Bürkle is a freelance expert in the field of impact monitoring who has joined the Global Public Policy Institute, Berlin, team of evaluators for the Evaluation of the Development Partnership Program of the Austrian Development Agency. Her area of expertise includes impact assessments and the introduction of impact monitoring systems in rural and economic development projects, in particular those aimed at the development of microfinance services and small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

Before she joined GPPI, Erika worked as a Project Manager with the International Services Department of the German Development Agency GTZ in Moscow, Russia, and conducted several impact assessments and benchmarking studies in Central Asia, predominantly in Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan. Prior to that, Erika was involved with the non-governmental organization IMPACT (Integrity Management and Programs for Accountability and Transparency), which advises governments in developing countries on good governance and accountability strategies, and conducted research on institutional capacity in environment protection in Russia with the German Development Institute (DIE - GDI), Bonn.

Erika holds a Master's degree in Russian Studies from the School of Slavonic and East European Studies in London and a Magister from the Friedrich-Wilhelms-University of Bonn. She was awarded a scholarship from the University College London (UCL) to conduct postgraduate research on the framework conditions in the environment in Russia with a focus on the oil extracting industry which she is currently finishing at the School of Slavonic and East European Studies (SSEES), London.

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