

Curriculum Vitae

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Dr Pascale Schild

Visiting Researcher, Swisspeace, University of Basel

SNSF Postdoc.Mobility Return Grant (2021–2025)

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Associated Researcher, Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern

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Personal information

Nationality: Switzerland

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Languages: Swiss German/German (mother tongue), English (fluent), Urdu (advanced), French (advanced)

Expertise and research interests

- Political ecology/disaster government/politics of reconstruction
- Political solidarity
- State and sovereignty
- Political affect
- Ethnographic vulnerability
- Peace and conflict studies/civil society peacebuilding
- Critical Kashmir studies

Current project: (Non-)Politics of peace: civil society peacebuilding under occupation.

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Education

10/2011 – 5/2018 **PhD in Social and Cultural Anthropology**, LMU Munich

6/2016 Teaching training for university lecturers, University of Bern, June 13–15.

8/2010 Urdu summer school, South Asia Institute, University of Heidelberg, August 2–22.

4/2007 – 3/2009 **MA in Anthropology of Transnationalism and the State** (major) and Science of Religion (minor), University of Bern

10/2003 – 4/2007 **BA in Social Anthropology** (major) and Science of Religion (minor), University of Bern

Employment history and current position

Since 5/2024	Visiting SNSF research fellow, Swisspeace, University of Basel
1/2021 – 1/2024	Visiting SNSF research fellow, South Asia Institute, SOAS University of London (including maternity leave)
8/2019 – 1/2020	Teaching assignment, Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern.
10/2018 – 3/2019	Teaching assignment, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, LMU Munich.
8/2018 – 1/2019	Research fellow, Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Research Network IPN, Walter Benjamin Kolleg, University of Bern. Research project: ‘Across the Line of Control. Transnational initiatives for peace in Kashmir’.
8/2017 – 1/2018	Teaching fellow, Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern.
8/2014 – 7/2016	Teaching fellow, Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern. Administrative responsibilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Head of the organising committee for the institute’s annual information event on social anthropology ‘Was ist Sozialanthropologie?’ for potential students. Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern.• Member of the organising committee for the workshop and lecture series <i>Anthropology Talks</i>. Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern.• Head of the working group for improving the links between research and teaching. Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern.
10/2012 – 3/2013	Teaching assignment, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, LMU Munich.
7/2009 – 9/2012	Research fellow, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, LMU Munich. Research project: Politics of reconstruction after the earthquake in Azad Kashmir/Pakistan. Principle Investigator: Prof Dr Martin Sökefeld. Funding: Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) and German Research Foundation (DFG). Cooperation: Quaid-e Azam University of Islamabad, National Institute of Pakistan Studies NIPS.
3/2007 – 1/2009	Tutor, Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern.

Fieldwork experience

Since 6/2021	Ethnographic fieldwork in the UK (London, Birmingham and Manchester).
10/2018	Short field visit to London.
2/2012 – 3/2012	Ethnographic fieldwork in Azad Kashmir (Muzaffarabad).
10/2010 – 4/2011	Ethnographic fieldwork in Pakistan (Islamabad, Balakot) and Azad Kashmir (Muzaffarabad).
9/2009 – 4/2010	Ethnographic fieldwork in Pakistan (Islamabad) and Azad Kashmir (Muzaffarabad).
5/2007 – 10/2008	Ethnographic fieldwork in Switzerland (Lucerne, Bern).

Organisation of conferences

- 7/2023 (with Dr Anna-Maria Walter) Solidarities in Anthropology: Navigating between relativism and political engagement. Conference of the German Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology. LMU Munich, July 25–28.
- 11/2022 (with Wiebke Wiesigel, Larissa da Silva and Paola Juan) Conference panel: Reciprocal Vulnerability: Privilege, violence and practices of care from fieldwork to academia. Conference of the Swiss Anthropological Association SAA. University of Neuchâtel, November 10–12.
- 9/2020 (with Dr Martina Santschi) Conference session: Peaceful civilians? Boundaries of civility in peace and conflict. Vienna Anthropology Days VANDA: Vienna, September 28–October 1.
- 5/2019 (with Dr Tea Lobo and Dr Jennifer Rabe) Conference with Dr Hana Gründler (Kunsthistorisches Institut Florenz), Dr Monika Litscher (Universität Lichtenstein), Dr Fabian Jonietz (Kunsthistorisches Institut Florenz): Stadt und Schatten. Interdisziplinäre Erkundungen in Architektur, Kunst und Gesellschaft. Walter Benjamin Kolleg, University of Bern, May 20–21.
- 8/2018 (with Prof Dr Martin Sökefeld) Conference panel: Post-disaster situations and the appropriation of disaster governance from below. Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists EASA. Stockholm, August 14–17.
- 9/2015 (with David Loher, Luisa Piart, Prof Dr Sabine Strasser and Prof Dr Tobias Haller) Anthropology Talks: On the new politics of distribution. Lectures and workshops with Prof Dr James Ferguson (Stanford University), Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bern, September 15–18.

Grants and fellowships

- 5/2024 – 4/2025 Postdoc.Mobility Return Grant, Swiss National Science Foundation SNSF. Research project: ‘(Non-)Politics of peace: civil society peacebuilding under occupation’, 12 months. (112.899 Swiss Francs)
- 2/2023 – 1/2024 Postdoc.Mobility Fellowship, Swiss National Science Foundation SNSF. Research project: ‘Institutional Solidarity: The work of solidarity with the Kashmiri freedom movement in parliamentary politics’, 12 months. (109.465 Swiss Francs)
- 1/2021 – 6/2022 Early Postdoc.Mobility Fellowship, Swiss National Science Foundation SNSF. Research project: ‘Peace for Kashmir? Transnational civilian peacebuilding across the *Line of Control*’, 18 months. (214.706 Swiss Francs, including four months maternity leave) <https://data.snf.ch/grants/grant/187624>
- 5/2019 (with Dr Tea Lobo and Dr Jennifer Rabe) Grant, Elsa and Max Beer-Brawand Fonds, University of Bern, for the Interdisciplinary Workshop ‘Stadt und Schatten’. (2.450 Swiss Francs)
- 8/2018 – 1/2019 Junior Fellowship, Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Research Network, Walter Benjamin Kolleg, University of Bern. Research project: ‘Across the Line of Control. Transnational initiatives for peace in Kashmir’. Start-up research funding of the Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Research Network IPN, Walter Benjamin Kolleg, University of Bern. (33.600 Swiss Francs)
- 2/2016 – 7/2016 Traveling and Teaching grant, Swiss-European Mobility (Erasmus) Program, for a staff exchange with the LMU Munich. (623 Swiss Francs)
- 11/2012 – 1/2014 LMU Completion Grant (5 months), Graduate Centre, LMU Munich (maternity leave and reduced workload due to childcare 12/2012 – 9/2013). (5.250 Euro)

Review activities

Contemporary South Asia 10/2023, 2/2023; Allegra Lab 11/2021; Palgrave Handbook of New Directions in Kashmir Studies 1/2021; Journal of Material Culture 1/2019; Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute 9/2018

Active memberships in scientific societies and working groups

Since 2023	German Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology (DGSKA)
Since 2018	Anthropology of Peace, Conflict and Security APECS (EASA network)
Since 2012	Disaster and Crisis Anthropology Network DICAN (EASA network)
Since 2012	European Association of Social Anthropologists EASA
Since 2009	Swiss Anthropological Association (SEG)

Publications/research output

Articles in peer-reviewed journals

Schild, Pascale. 2023. Review: The angry earth: disaster in anthropological perspective, 2nd edition, edited by Anthony Oliver-Smith and Susanna M. Hoffman. *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute*. Online published version. [10.1111/1467-9655.14032](https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-9655.14032)

Schild, Pascale. 2023. Introduction to the special issue: in/civility in peace and conflict. *Peacebuilding* 11(3): 245–256. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/21647259.2023.2209399>

Schild, Pascale. 2023. Beyond politics: in/civilities of ‘non-political’ peacebuilding for Kashmir. *Peacebuilding* 11(3): 273–287. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/21647259.2023.2209401>

Schild, Pascale. 2022. From earthquake victims to citizens: dependencies and precarious claims on the state in Azad Kashmir, Pakistan. *Citizenship Studies* 26 (3): 305–321. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13621025.2022.2062703>

Loher, David, Luisa Piart, **Pascale Schild**, Sabine Strasser and Tobias Haller. **2016.** On the new politics of distribution: an interview with James Ferguson. *Swiss Journal of Sociocultural Anthropology* 21(May): 166–176. <https://journal-sa.ch/article/view/7413/10426>

Schild, Pascale. 2015. Local politics of reconstruction along and across Azad Kashmir’s border with Pakistan. *Contemporary South Asia* 23(3): 292–313. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09584935.2015.1040736>

Schild, Pascale. 2014. Struggling for reconstruction: houses, homes and ‘the state’ after the earthquake in Muzaffarabad, Azad Kashmir. *Scrutiny: A Journal of International and Pakistan Studies* 5/6 (2011–12): 33–51.

Books/Edited Volumes/Special Issues

Wiesigel, Wiebke, **Pascale Schild**, Larissa da Silva, and Paola Juan. Reciprocal vulnerability: Privilege, violence, and solidarity from fieldwork to academia. Special Issue for *Swiss Journal of*

Sociocultural Anthropology. (Scheduled September 2024)

- Burger, Tim, Usman Mahar, **Pascale Schild** and Anna-Maria Walter (eds.). **2024**. The multi-sided ethnographer: Living the field beyond research. Bielefeld: transcript. <https://www.transcript-verlag.de/978-3-8376-6677-9/the-multi-sided-ethnographer/>
- Schild, Pascale** and Martina Santschi (eds.). **2023**. In/civility in peace and conflict. Special Issue for *Peacebuilding*. <https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rpcb20/11/3>
- Schild, Pascale**. **2019**. Alltag nach dem Erdbeben: Eine politische Ethnografie des Wiederaufbaus in Azad Kaschmir, Pakistan. Bielefeld: Transcript. <https://www.transcript-verlag.de/978-3-8376-4715-0/alltag-nach-dem-erdbeben/>

Book chapters

- Schild, Pascale**. **2024**. ‘Intimate suspects: politics of fieldwork and intimacy under state surveillance.’ In: The multi-sided ethnographer: living the field beyond research, edited by Tim Burger, Usman Mahar, Pascale Schild and Anna-Maria Walter. Bielefeld: Transcript. 235–257. <https://www.transcript-verlag.de/978-3-8376-6677-9/the-multi-sided-ethnographer/>
- Walter, Anna-Maria, **Pascale Schild**, Usman Mahar and Tim Burger. **2024**. Introducing the multi-sided ethnographer. In: The multi-sided ethnographer: living the field beyond research, edited by Tim Burger, Usman Mahar, Pascale Schild and Anna-Maria Walter. Bielefeld: transcript. 15–34. <https://www.transcript-verlag.de/978-3-8376-6677-9/the-multi-sided-ethnographer/>
- Schild, Pascale**. **2023** ‘Peace for Kashmir? The (non-)politics of “civilian peacebuilding” across the Line of Control.’ In: Palgrave Handbook of New Directions in Kashmir Studies, edited by Haley Duschinski, Mona Bhan and Cabeiri Robinson. London: Palgrave Macmillan. 397–412. https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-031-28520-2_24
- Schild, Pascale**. **2012**. ‘Representations and practices of ‘home’ in the context of the 2005 earthquake and reconstruction process in Pakistan and Azad Kashmir.’ In: Negotiating disasters: politics, representations, meanings, edited by Ute Luig. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang. 205–234.
- Schild, Pascale**. **2010**. ‘Situationen, Widersprüche und Konflikte muslimischer Identitätspolitik im diskursiven Kontext der Schweiz.’ In: Muslime in der Schweiz, edited by Brigit Allenbach and Martin Sökefeld. Zürich: Seismo. 181–212.

Contributions to scientific blogs, podcasts and magazines

- Schild, Pascale**. **2023**. Contested Solidarity: Azad Kashmir, Pakistan and the Kashmiri freedom struggle. *Research Society of International Law RSIL*, Islamabad/Lahore. <https://rsilpak.org/2023/contested-solidarity-azad-kashmir-pakistan-and-the-kashmiri-freedom-struggle/>
- Schild, Pascale**. **2021**. Reciprocal vulnerability in the face of patriarchal violence. *Allegra Lab*, July 7. (Peer-reviewed) <https://allegralaboratory.net/reciprocal-vulnerability-in-the-face-of-patriarchal-violence/>
- Fuchs, Sandhya and **Pascale Schild**. **2021**. Vulnerability: a podcast conversation moderated by Ian M. Cook. *Allegra Laboratory*, July 9. <https://allegralaboratory.net/resonancecast-1-vulnerability/>
- Schild, Pascale**. **2019**. *Nice to know* oder grenzüberschreitende Wissenschaft? Ein selbstreflexiver Bericht eines interdisziplinären Versuchs. THoR – Taking the Humanities on the Road. <https://thor-takinghumanitiesontheroad.com/home/>
- Schild, Pascale**. **2009**. Ein symbolisches Konfliktfeld. Newsletter on ‘the minaret’ of the Swiss Society Middle East and Islamic cultures SGMÖIK 28 (1): 20–23.

Publications in preparation

Schild, Pascale: *Shadows of Government: disaster vulnerability and intimate resistance in post-earthquake Kashmir.* Book manuscript.

International conference papers and invited talks (selection)

Schild, Pascale 2024: Responsibility and redress in an entangled world: Solidarities with the Kashmiri freedom movement in UK parliamentary politics. Panel: Undoing the evils of the past: politics of reconciliation and remorse for colonial violence. Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists EASA, University of Barcelona, July 23–26. (Scheduled)

Schild, Pascale 2024: Solidarity as responsiveness: Locating the ethical in ethnographic research on conflict and violence. Panel: Ethnographic inquiry, decolonial epistemologies, and ethics in peace, conflict, and security research. Conference of the Anthropology of Peace, Conflict, and Security (APeCS) Network of the European Association of Social Anthropologists EASA, University of Marburg, March 21–22.

Schild, Pascale (with Anna-Maria) 2023: Introduction. Workshop: Solidarities in Anthropology: Navigating between relativism and political engagement. Conference of the German Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology (DGSKA), July 25–28.

Schild, Pascale (with Dr Omer Aijazi) 2023: Decolonizing Disasters in Kashmir. Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives, University of Victoria, Canada, March 16.

Schild, Pascale 2022: Introduction. Panel: Reciprocal Vulnerability: Privilege, violence and practices of care from fieldwork to academia. Conference of the Swiss Anthropological Association SAA, University of Neuchâtel, November 10–12.

Schild, Pascale 2022: The politics of unfulfilled promises: Waiting for the state in post-earthquake Azad Kashmir, Pakistan. Panel: Waiting and state-making narratives. Vienna Anthropology Days 2022, University of Vienna, September 26–30.

Schild, Pascale 2021: Beyond politics: Civility, violence and ‘non-political’ peace for Kashmir. Panel: Wishful future-making: Anthropological perspectives on sustainable development, green growth and peace. Conference of the German Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology (DGSKA), University of Bremen, September 27–October 4.

Schild, Pascale 2021: How to be an ally? Responsibility and guilt of the anthropologist witnessing violent death. Panel: After fieldwork: Exploring responsibilities and vulnerabilities of ethnographic research. Conference of the Association of Social Anthropologists of the UK and Commonwealth ASA, University of St Andrews, March 29–April 1.

Schild, Pascale 2020: Introduction. Panel: Peaceful Civilians? Boundaries of Civility in Peace and Conflict. Vienna Anthropology Days 2020, University of Vienna, September 28–October 2. (Online)

Schild, Pascale 2020: Peacebuilding and Boundaries of Civility: Anthropological insights on the politics of transnational civilian peace initiatives for Kashmir. Working Group: Peace and Security. Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association, University of Lucerne, February 3–4.

Schild, Pascale 2019: Zivilität als nichtpolitische Politik im Kaschmir-Konflikt. Workshop: Gestalten des Nicht-Politischen. Conference of the German Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology (DGSKA), University of Konstanz, September 29–October 4.

Schild, Pascale 2019: Citizenship and/as dependence on the state after the earthquake: The politics of shelter distribution in Azad Kashmir, Pakistan. Conference: Epicentre to aftermath: political, social and cultural impacts of earthquakes in South Asia. SOAS University of London, January 11–12. (Invited)

- Schild, Pascale 2018:** Zivilität und ‘Anstandsaktivismus’. Input at the Brown Bag Lunch meeting of the Walter Benjamin Kolleg, University of Bern, November 6. (Invited)
- Schild, Pascale 2018:** Peace for Kashmir? Junior Fellows’ Day, Walter Benjamin Kolleg, University of Bern, October 4. (Invited)
- Schild, Pascale 2018:** Governing reconstruction and its limits: On the politics of a (failed) prefabricated housing scheme after the earthquake in Muzaffarabad, Azad Kashmir. Workshop: Post-disaster situations and the appropriation of disaster governance from below. Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists EASA, University of Stockholm, August 14–17.
- Schild, Pascale 2017:** Lists and the (un)readability of bureaucratic practices: Shelter houses, reconstruction politics and the magical presence of the state after the earthquake in Muzaffarabad, Azad Kashmir. Workshop: The Politics of Lists. Contestations of inclusion and exclusion at the state/non-state interface. Conference of the German Anthropological Association GAA, FU Berlin, October 4–7.
- Schild, Pascale 2015:** Unfulfilled promises: Practices of negotiating and contesting ‘the state’ after the earthquake in Muzaffarabad, Azad Kashmir. Workshop: Disasters and the state in South Asia. Conference of the Development Studies Association DSA, University of Bath, September 7–8.
- Schild, Pascale 2012:** Disaster bureaucracy, ‘the state’ and ‘hidden’ forms of resistance. Workshop: Disaster and politics. Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists EASA, Paris, July 10–13.
- Schild, Pascale 2012:** Lokale Strategien im Umgang mit ‘dem Staat’ nach dem Erbeben 2005 in Azad Kashmir, Pakistan. Seminar of the Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, LMU Munich, June 18. (Invited)
- Schild, Pascale 2012:** Encountering ‘the state’ in everyday contexts of reconstruction after the 2005 earthquake in Azad Kashmir (Pakistan). Pakistan Workshop. Lake District UK, May 11–13.
- Schild, Pascale 2012:** Politics of reconstruction: Disaster bureaucracy, ‘the state’ and local forms of resistance. Research School: Anthropology of disasters. Quaid-i-Azam University of Islamabad, March 19–23.
- Schild, Pascale 2011:** Wiederaufbau und die Politik der leeren Versprechungen nach dem Erdbeben in Azad Kashmir, Pakistan. Workshop: Ethnologie und Naturkatastrophen. Conference of the German Anthropological Association GAA. University of Vienna, September 14–16.
- Schild, Pascale 2011:** Local politics of reconstruction in the context of the political boundaries between Pakistan and Azad Kashmir. International Symposium: Jammu and Kashmir. Boundaries and movements, organised by Martin Sökefeld (LMU Munich), Frauenwörth, Chiemsee, June 16–19. (Invited)
- Schild, Pascale 2011:** Building back homes: Local contexts, perspectives and strategies of reconstruction after the 2005 earthquake in Pakistan and Azad Kashmir. Pakistan Workshop, Lake District UK, May 7–9.
- Schild, Pascale (with Stefan Urban) 2010:** Die Politik des Wiederaufbaus nach dem Erdbeben in Azad Kashmir, Pakistan. Seminar of the Institute of Social Anthropology, FU Berlin, July 5. (Invited)
- Schild, Pascale 2008:** Das ‘muslimische’ Sprechen als Machteffekt und Instrument des Diskurses. Workshop: Muslime in der Schweiz. Conference of the Swiss Anthropological Association SAA. University of Geneva, November 21–22.

Outreach activities

- Schild, Pascale 2024:** Expert report on client from Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) for a Court hearing at the First-Tier Tribunal of the Immigration and Asylum Chamber, commissioned by Fountain Solicitors, Walsall, UK.

Aijazi, Omer, Nosheen Ali and **Pascale Schild 2023**: Informal briefing of NGOs on the human rights situation in Pakistan-administered Kashmir, convened by Haley Duschinski and attended by representatives from Forum-Asia, OMCT (World Organisation Against Torture), Amnesty International, and Frontline Defenders, May 25.

Schild, Pascale 2019: Kashmir braucht internationale Unterstützung. Guest commentary in the Swiss daily newspaper *Der Bund*, September 2. (*Kashmir needs international support*)

<https://www.derbund.ch/meinungen/kashmir-braucht-internationale-unterstuetzung/story/12747659>

Schild, Pascale 2019: Consultancy for the office of Ottmar von Holtz, member of the German Bundestag and chairman of the subcommittee 'Zivile Konfliktprävention' for the preparation of the subcommittee's public meeting (held on June 3) on the social and political situation in India and Pakistan, the Kashmir conflict and prospects for conflict resolution, May 24.

Lehrveranstaltungen

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| 8/2019 – 1/2020 | MA-Seminar: "Anthropologie des Friedens," Institut für Sozialanthropologie, Universität Bern. |
| 10/2018 – 3/2019 | BA/MA-Seminar: " <i>Governmentality</i> : Michel Foucaults Konzept des Regierens in der politischen Anthropologie," Institut für Ethnologie, LMU München. |
| 8/2017 – 1/2018 | BA-Seminar: "Einführung in die Sozialanthropologie," Universität Bern. |
| 2/2016 – 7/2016 | BA/MA-Seminar: "Politik und Staatlichkeit in Pakistan," Institut für Sozialanthropologie, Universität Bern. (ERASMUS Lehraustausch mit Prof. Dr. Martin Sökefeld, Institut für Ethnologie, LMU München, June 24–25) |
| 8/2015 – 1/2016 | BA-Seminar: "Methoden der Sozialanthropologie," Institut für Sozialanthropologie, Universität Bern. |
| 8/2014 – 1/2015 | BA/MA-Seminar: " <i>Governmentality</i> : Michel Foucaults Konzept des Regierens in der politischen Anthropologie," Institut für Sozialanthropologie, Universität Bern. |
| 10/2012 – 3/2013 | BA/MA-Seminar: "Ethnologie und 'Natur'-Katastrophen," Institut für Ethnologie, LMU München. |