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Work experience

- since 09/2024 **PostDoc**, EU project AgEnRes (Agricultural Energy Resilience), advisor: Prof. Simone Cerroni, University of Trento, Italy
- 10/2023 – 08/2024 **PostDoc**, Department: Agricultural Markets, Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Halle (S.), Germany
- 01/2024 – 04/2024 **Visiting PostDoc**, Group: Decision-making & Managerial Behavior, Prof. Lagerkvist, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Uppsala, Sweden
- 10/2023 – 12/2023 **Visiting PostDoc**, China Center for Agricultural Policy (CCAP), Prof. Hou Lingling, Peking University, China
- 04/2018 – 09/2023 **Research Associate**, KlimALEZ Project, IAMO, Halle (S.), Germany
- 03/2017 – 09/2017 **Research Assistant**, German Development Institute (DIE), Department: Sustainable Economic and Social Development, Bonn, Germany
- 10/2015 – 10/2016 **Internships**, German Development Institute, Bonn, Germany; German Embassy, Pretoria, South Africa; Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Bonn, Germany; Federal Foreign Office, Berlin, Germany
- 10/2014 – 09/2015 **Research Assistant**, University of Duisburg-Essen, Chair of International Economics, Prof. Volker Clausen
- 08/2009 – 08/2010 **Development Volunteer Service "Weltwärts"**, Tshwane Leadership Foundation (TLF), Pretoria, South Africa

Education

- 04/2018 – 09/2023 **PhD Candidate**, Faculty of Law, Economics and Business; Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany, Thesis: *Agricultural index insurance: Adoption behavior and its impact in Central Asia*, Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Thomas Glauben, grade: *summa cum laude*
- 10/2013 – 09/2017 **Master of Science in Economics**, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany
- 10/2010 – 10/2013 **Bachelor of Arts in Cultural and Business Studies**, Anglophone and Business Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen
- 09/2012 – 12/2012 **ERASMUS exchange in Irish Culture and Literature**, St Mary's College, Belfast, Northern Ireland
- 08/1999 – 03/2009 **Lina-Hilger Gymnasium (High School)**, Bad Kreuznach, Germany

Research interests

Behavioral & Experimental Economics, Agricultural Economics, Development Economics, Sustainable & innovation behavior

Peer-reviewed publications

- **Moritz, L.**; Kuhn, L.; Bobojonov, I.; Glauben, T. (2024). Assessing peer influence on climate adaptations: An experimental adoption of index insurance and savings in Uzbekistan, *Journal of Agricultural*

and *Applied Economics* 56(1):1-20.

- Kuhn, L.; Bobojonov, I.; **Moritz, L.** (2024). Being well-in with the Joneses? A lab-in-the-field experiment on conspicuous consumption among rural communities, *Journal of Development Studies*, 1-19.
- **Moritz, L.**; Kuhn, L.; Bobojonov, I. (2023). The role of peer imitation in agricultural index insurance adoption: Findings from lab-in-the-field experiments in Kyrgyzstan. *Review of Development Economics* 27(3): 1649-1672.
- Strupat, C.; Farfán, G.; **Moritz, L.**; Negre, M.; Vakis, R. (2021). Obesity and food away from home: What drives the socioeconomic gradient in excess body weight? *Economics & Human Biology* 43.

Working papers, conference papers and reports

- **Moritz, L.**; Kuhn, L.; Bobojonov, I. (2023). Agricultural index insurance, welfare, and climate resilience: Experimental findings from Uzbekistan. Working Paper.
- Kuhn, L.; Bobojonov, I.; Eltazarov, S.; Emileva, B.; Filler, G.; Goedecke, T.; Khodjaev, S.; **Moritz, L.**; Thomas Glauben (2024). Final Report: Joint project Climate Adaptation: Increasing Climate Resilience in Central Asia – Sustainable Rural Development through the Introduction of Innovative Agricultural Insurance Products (KlimALEZ).
- **Moritz, L.**; Kuhn, L.; Bobojonov, I. (2022). Crop index insurance for more welfare and climate resilience? An experimental approach. Conference Paper, Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA), Annual Conference 2022, Anaheim, CA.
- **Moritz, L.**; Kuhn, L.; Bobojonov, I.; Glauben, T. (2021). Adopting index insurance and/or precautionary savings: Peer effects in complex decision-making in Uzbek experiments. Conference Paper, International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE) 2021, online.
- Bobojonov, I.; Kuhn, L.; **Moritz, L.**; Eltazarov, S.; Glauben, T. (2019). Improved climate resilience via agricultural insurance – The KlimALEZ project. *IAMO Annual*, 21, 27-35.

Conferences

- 2023 Congress European Association of Agricultural Economists (**EAAE**); Annual Conference Swiss Society of Agricultural Economics & Rural Sociology (**SGA**); **IAMO** Forum; German Development Economics Conference (**GDE**); **Bundesbank**: Workshop in Applied Economics for Young Researchers; **Sino-German Forum** on Sustainable Development of Agri-Good Systems (China).
- 2022 Conference **AAEA**; 183rd Seminar European Association of Agricultural Economists (**EAAE**): Experiments; **EAAE** PhD Workshop; Annual Conference Agricultural Economics Society (**AES**); **Tropentag**.
- 2021 **ICAE**; Congress **EAAE**; Annual Conference **AES**; PhD Workshop Development Economics, Verein für Socialpolitik (**VfS**); **Tropentag**; Annual Conference **VfS**; International Conference on Globalization and Development (**GLAD**).
- 2020 Annual Conference German Agricultural Society (**Gewisola**); Annual Conference "Life in Kyrgyzstan" (**LiK**); **Tropentag**; **IAMO** Forum.
- 2018 **COP 24** – UN Climate Conference.

Grants and awards

- 10/2023 – 09/2024 **IAMO PostDoc Scholarship**
- 08/2023 **Best Poster Award**, *EAAE Congress*
- 06/2022 **AES Travel Grant**, *EAAE PhD Workshop*
- 07/2022 – 08/2022 **AAEA Travel Grant**, *AAEA Conference*

Memberships and networks

European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE), Gesellschaft für Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaften des Landbaus/Society for Economic and Social Sciences of Agriculture (Gewisola), AgEcon-

Meet, Economic Science Association (ESA), Research Network on Economic Experiments for the Common Agricultural Policy (REECAP)

Consulting

German Development Institute (DIE), Project: Diet quality and health in Peru (03/2017–05/2018).

Software

Professional \LaTeX , Stata

Intermediate Qualtrics

Basics R Project, Survey Solutions, MATLAB

Media work

- Moritz, L. (2021). Going With the Flow: Peer Pressure's Effects on Drought Insurance Purchases in Uzbekistan. Tropentag 2021 Interview (*interviewed*).
- #3 IAMO Alumni (2020). Conversation between Prof. Thomas Herzfeld and Laura Moritz (*interviewer*).

Voluntary activities

since 10/2010 Active member of Friends e.V., since 09/2015: Responsible for finances "Weltwärts" Volunteer Program (North-South and South-North)

05/2018 – 09/2023 Spokesperson, IAMO PhD Council.

Language skills

Native German

Advanced English

Intermediate Latin

Elementary Spanish

Beginner Italian, Thai (orally fluent in 2006)

Trento, October 6, 2024

Laura Moritz