

Curriculum Vitae

Basic information

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Citizenship	Ethiopian

Research and professional expertise

- I am an expert in governance analysis with emphasis on natural resources, environment, agriculture, and food security
 - Social, ecological, economic and political dimensions in people-environment relationships, biodiversity conservation, forestry, and watershed management are my scientific field studies; and research, project management, teaching and student advising are my day-to-day activities
 - I work with theories of participation, institutional change, rural-urban interfaces, and land uses, agricultural innovations and innovation transitions
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Work experience

Oct. 2013 - present	Senior Researcher ZEF, University of Bonn
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ongoing project: BiomassWeb (www.biomassweb.org), leader of Work Package "Follow-the-Innovation" and research on "family farms" component;- Project completed: Forest Landscapes, Institutions and Development (ForLanD) implemented in Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania;- Tutoring/advising doctoral students (currently 5);- Teaching doctoral courses "institutions, actors and resources"; "participatory research methodology"- Coordination of doctoral course program, Department of Political and Cultural Change, ZEF, University of Bonn- Master Seminar on "Governing transitions in technological change" in the ARTS (Agriculture and Natural Resources in

	<p>the Tropics and Sub-Tropics) program of the University of Bonn (since 2019)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Master Seminar on “Biodiversity Conservation and Livelihood in Tropical Countries” in the International Centre for Sustainable Development of the Bonn-Rhein-Sieg University of Applied Sciences (since 2018)
Aug. 2009 - Sep. 2013	<p>Junior Researcher ZEF, University of Bonn</p>
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Doctoral research that culminated with a PhD thesis entitled “Unraveling the Parks and People Dichotomy: Local Interests and Conflicts in Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia”</p>
Dec. 2002 - Jul. 2009	<p>Lecturer Hawassa University, Wondo Genet College of Forestry and Natural Resources, Ethiopia</p>
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teaching and research on integrated watershed management planning and indigenous knowledge and participatory approaches; action research on culture and development; coordinating, supervising, guiding and decision-making on the human resource management, finance and income generation departments - Registrar, Wondo Genet College, Hawassa University (2003-2005) - Head, Department of Natural Resource Management (2005-2006) - College Vice Head (2006-2009)
Oct. 1996 - Nov. 2002	<p>Watershed management expert Commission for Sustainable Agriculture and Environmental Rehabilitation of Southern Administrative Region of Ethiopia (Co-SAERSAR), Hawassa, Ethiopia</p>
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Studying, analyzing and planning of watershed management projects to rehabilitate degraded environment and improve people's livelihoods</p>

Education

Oct. 2009 - Jun. 2013	University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany
Qualification	PhD in Agriculture (with Magna cum Laude), on 26 June 2013
Aug. 1998 - Jun. 2000	Wageningen University, Wageningen, The Netherlands

Qualification	Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Tropical Forestry, specialization: Social Forestry, on 30 June 2000
Oct. 1992 - Jul. 1996	Alemaya University of Agriculture (now, Haramaya University), Haramaya, Ethiopia
Qualification	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Forestry (with Distinction), on 13 July 1996
Sep. 1988 - Jun. 1992	Wachemo Comprehensive Secondary School, Hossana, Ethiopia
Qualification	Ethiopian School Leaving Certificate

Short-term training

8-16 Sep. 2013	University of Applied Forest Sciences, Rottenburg, Germany
Qualification	Certificate in Rural Development Beyond Agriculture
16-22 Sep. 2012	African Good Governance Network, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Bonn, Germany
Qualification	Certificate in Environmental Governance
3-24 Aug. 2012	Global Environments Summer Academy, Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, University of Munich, Germany
Qualification	Certificate in Global Environments: Socio-ecological Interactions in a Dynamic World
28 May - 2 Jun. 2012	African Good Governance Network, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Bonn, Germany
Qualification	Certificate in Economy and Governance
6-10 Mar. 2012	African Good Governance Network, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Bonn, Germany
Qualification	Certificate in Interstate Conflicts
4-6 Dec. 2009	Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn, Germany
Qualification	Certificate in Intercultural Competence
16-26 Jul. 2008	Wondo Genet College of Forestry and Natural Resources Hawassa University, Ethiopia and Viikki Tropical Resources Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland
Qualification	Certificate in Forest Landscape Restoration in North-East Africa

4-6 Dec. 2007	Forestry Research Network for Sub-Saharan Africa (FORNESSA), Nairobi and International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO), Vienna, Austria
Qualification	Certificate in Working Effectively at the Interface of Forest Science and Forest Policy
20 Sep. - 13 Oct. 2004 (in Sweden) and 9-18 Mar. 2005 (in South Africa)	National Board of Forestry, Jönköping, Sweden (after training in Sweden and
Qualification	Certificate in Development of National Forest Policies and Strategies
26 Jan. - 6 Feb. 2004	Wondo Genet College of Forestry and Natural Resources, Hawassa University, Ethiopia
Qualification	Certificate of Scientific Communication
2-9 Aug. 2002	The Consortium ISL, BCEOM, BRL & Concert Engineering, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Qualification	Certificate of training on project cycle management, participatory approaches in project analysis, valuation of economic costs and benefits, measures of project worth, monitoring methods and tools

Languages

Mother tongue: Hadiya

Other languages	Proficiency*							
	Listening		Reading		Speaking		Writing	
English	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user
German	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user
Amharic	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user

*Self-assessment based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Skills and competences

- Intercultural communication – traveling, training, multilingualism and working in multicultural environment shaped towards global thinking and local action/contextualization
- Team spirit cultivated through working in research teams and special task commissions
- Capacity and rich experience in leadership and project management
- Negotiation and conflict resolution skills
- Training, mentoring and advising
- Listening and problem solving
- Technical skills in using computer software including SPSS, STATA and MS office programs

Peer-reviewed journal publications

- Legese, G., Van Assche, K., Stellmacher, T., Teklewold, H., **Kelboro**, G. (2018). Land for food or power? Risk governance of dams and family farms in Southwest Ethiopia. *Land Use Policy*, 75: 50-59.
- Leta, G., Girma **Kelboro**, G., Stellmacher, T., van Assche, K., Hornidge, A.-K. (2018). Nikinake – the mobilization of labour and skill development in Ethiopia. *Natural Resources Forum* 42(2): 93-107.
- Leta, G., Stellmacher, T., **Kelboro**, G., van Assche, K., Hornidge, A.-K. (2018). Social learning in smallholder agriculture: the struggle against systemic inequalities. *Journal of Workplace Learning* 30(6): 469-487.
- Nyang'au, I.M., **Kelboro**, G., Hornidge, A.-K., Midega, C.A.O., Borgemeister, C. (2018). Transdisciplinary research: collaborative leadership and empowerment towards sustainability of Push–Pull Technology. *Sustainability* 10 (2378); doi:10.3390/su10072378.
- WoldeYohannes, A., Cotter, M., **Kelboro**, G., Dessalegn, W. (2018). Land use and land cover changes and their effects on the landscape of Abaya-Chamo Basin, Southern Ethiopia. *Land* 7(2); doi:10.3390/land7010002.
- Amankwah, K., Shtaltovna, A., **Kelboro**, G., Hornidge, A.-K. (2016). A critical review of the Follow- the-Innovation approach: stakeholder collaboration and agricultural innovation development. *African Journal of Rural Development* 1(1):34-49.
- **Kelboro**, G., Stellmacher, T. (2015). Protected areas as contested spaces: Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia, between 'local people', the state, and NGO engagement. *Environmental Development* (16): 63-75.
- Negash, M., **Kelboro**, G. (2014). Effects of Socio- Economic Status and Food Consumption Pattern on Household Energy uses: Implications for Forest Resource Degradation and Reforestation around Wondo Genet Catchments, South-Central Ethiopia. *Eastern Africa Social Science Research Review* 30(1): 27-46.
- **Kelboro**, G., Stellmacher, T., Hoffmann, V. (2013). 'Conservationists' and 'Local People' in Biodiversity Conservation: the Case of Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia. *Ethiopian Journal of the Social Sciences and Humanities* 9(1):29-55.

Other publications

Peer-reviewed

- **Kelboro**, G., Stellmacher, T. (2019). Global changes in local governance of the commons: the case of the African Parks Foundation engagement in Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia. In: Haller, T., Breu, T., Rohr, C., Znoj, H. and Rist, S. *The Commons in the Global World*. Routledge, Abingdon, UK. (in press)
- Leta, G., **Kelboro**, G., Stellmacher, T., Hornidge, A.-K. (2017). The agricultural extension system in Ethiopia: operational setup, challenges and opportunities. ZEF Working Paper 158. Bonn.
- **Kelboro**, G., Stellmacher, T. (2015). Protect and Lose? Conservation and Conflicts in Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia. In: Stellmacher, T. (ed.) *Socio-ecological Change in Rural Ethiopia: Understanding Local Dynamics in Environmental Planning and Natural Resource Management*. Peter Lang Academic Publisher, Frankfurt am Main.
- Amankwah, K., Shtaltovna, A., **Kelboro**, G., Hornidge, A.-K. (2015). A critical review of the Follow-the-Innovation approach: stakeholder collaboration and agricultural innovation development. ZEF Working Paper 138. Bonn, Germany
- **Kelboro**, G. (2013). *Unraveling the parks and people dichotomy: local interests and conflicts in Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia*. Margraf Publishers. Weikersheim, Germany. ISBN: 978-3-8236-1661-0

- **Kelboro, G., Stellmacher, T. (2012).** Contesting the National Park theorem? Governance and land use in Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia. ZEF Working Paper 104. Bonn, Germany.

Non-peer-reviewed

- Thiam, D.R., Babalola, F.D., **Kelboro, G. (2015).** Forest resource governance in Cameroon: A case study for Central Africa. In: AGGN Yearbook 2014-2015: 20-23.
- Gatzweiler, F.W., **Kelboro, G. (2014).** Decentralization in East African Forest Landscapes. ZEF Policy Briefs 11.

Presentations in Conferences and Workshops

- **Kelboro, G. (2019).** An Inclusive approach to bioeconomy. International Congress for Conservation Biology (ICCB), 21-25 July 2019, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. (accepted)
- **Kelboro, G. (2018).** Understanding family farmers: a way out of food insecurity in Ethiopia. Science-Policy Dialogue Ethiopia, 18 December 2018, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- **Kelboro, G., Schmitt, C.B., Amankwah, K., Denich, M. (2018).** Science-policy-practice interfaces in agricultural innovations in Africa: moving beyond the traditional boundaries of doing science. Tropentag 2018, September 17 - 19, 2018, Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium.
- **Kelboro, G., Stellmacher, T. (2017).** Interfaces in transdisciplinary development research: the fine line in complex field realities. ITD Conference 2017: Transdisciplinary Research and Education – Intercultural Endeavours, 11-15 September 2017, Leuphana University, Lüneburg.
- **Kelboro, G., Stellmacher, T. (2016).** Reflection of global changes in local governance of the commons: The case of African Parks Foundation in Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia. ASC European Regional Conference: Commons in a “Glocal” World. Global Connections and Local Responses, 10-13 May 2016. Bern, Switzerland.
- **Kelboro, G., Stellmacher, T. (2016).** Farmland, family farms and food security in Ethiopia: The case of farming families around Yayu Coffee Forest Biosphere Reserve. Tropentag 2016, 19-21 September 2016. Vienna, Austria.
- Nyang'au, I.M., **Kelboro, G., Hornidge, A.-K., Midega, C., Zeyaur, K., Borgemeister, C. (2015).** Co-creating knowledge to address the challenges of cereal"-crops' pests for food and fodder production: case of push"-pull technology implementation in Ethiopia. Tropentag 2015, 16-18 September 2015. Berlin, Germany.
- Stellmacher, T., **Kelboro, G. (2015).** Local dynamics and perceptions of food insecurity among agro-forestry family farms in Ethiopia. Tropentag 2015, 16-18 September 2015. Berlin, Germany.
- **Kelboro, G., Stellmacher, T., Hoffmann, V. (2013).** Urban needs and protected areas: interfaces between Arba Minch town and Nech Sar National Park in Southern Ethiopia. Tropentag 2013, September 17-19. Hohenheim, Germany.
- Seifu, S., Stellmacher, T., **Kelboro, G. (2013).** Land rehabilitation and female-headed households: evidence from the Bilate Area Closure Project in Halaba Special Woreda, South Ethiopia. Tropentag 2013, 17-19 September 2013. Hohenheim, Germany.
- **Kelboro, G. (2012).** Biodiversity conservation and livelihood conflicts in Africa: the case of protected area governance in Ethiopia. Paper presented in the African Good Governance Network Summit on Environmental Governance, 16-22 September 2012. Freiburg, Germany.
- **Kelboro, G. (2012).** Governance of Protected Areas in Ethiopia: the Case of Nech Sar National Park. A paper presented in Research Café of Global Environments Summer Academy. 16 August 2012. Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, Munich, Germany.

- **Kelboro, G.** (2012). Working at the people-wildlife interface in East Africa: discourses and dilemmas in governing protected areas in Ethiopia. Planet under Pressure 2012: New Knowledge towards Solutions, 26-29 March 2012. London, UK.
- **Kelboro, G., Stellmacher, T., Hoffmann, V.** (2012). Bridging the researcher-people knowledge gap in biodiversity conservation: the case of Nech Sar National Park, Ethiopia. Tropentag 2012, September 19-21. Göttingen, Germany.
- **Kelboro, G., Stellmacher, T.** (2011). Protected area governance: lessons learned from NGO endeavours in Nech Sar national park, Southern Ethiopia. Tropentag 2011, 5-7 October 2011. Bonn, Germany.
- **Kelboro, G.** (2006). The basis for community-based woodland resource management interventions in the Rift Valley of Ethiopia. A paper presented in the DAAD Workshop, 8-15 June 2006. Wondo Genet College of Forestry & Natural Resources, Ethiopia.
- **Kelboro, G.** (2005). Intrinsic worth and dilemma of interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary, and disciplinary approaches in education and research. In: Proceedings of a seminar organized by Center for Environment and Society, Hawassa University, 14-15 January 2005. Awassa, Ethiopia.
- **Kelboro, G.** (2004). Community-based Nature Conservation, Ecotourism, and Conflict Management. In a workshop organized by Tourism and Transport Bureau in Cooperation with SNV in Southern Region of Ethiopia. Nov. 29 – Dec. 1, 2004. Yirgalem, Ethiopia.

Awards

- Gold medal award in 1996 for an outstanding academic record at graduation with a BSc degree in Forestry from Haramaya University, Ethiopia
- University Fellowships award in 1998 for MSc study in the Netherlands
- DAAD scholarship award in 2009 for PhD study in Germany

Professional membership

- African Good Governance Network
 - World Commission on Environmental Law, IUCN
 - African Forest Forum
 - BION – Biodiversity Network Bonn
 - Ethiopian Forestry Society
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