

# The team

## Project managers

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### Tanja Alvesalo (Swiss)



After graduating in Law and International Relations Tanja has worked in several positions in Switzerland, notably in the areas of European Integration Policy as well as the promotion of social standards in global production chains. When starting the Grüezi Newcomer! book project Tanja was living in Galgenen, canton Schwyz. Since May 2010 she has been following up with the second Grüezi Newcomer! edition from New York, where she now herself lives an expat experience with her husband and their two young children (a girl and a boy, 4 and 6 years old).

### Cécile Bastien-Remy (French)



After completing a French degree in Sales and Marketing, Cécile started her career in the United Kingdom selling financial databases and risk management software. She worked internationally in several sales and management positions within this industry. Since May 2009, Cécile has been working on the Grüezi Newcomer! book project from Lachen, canton Schwyz where she has been living with her husband and two girls (4 and 6 years old) since April 2007.

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### Natalie Yeoh-Flipse (Malaysian)

Natalie graduated with a double degree in International Business and Marketing from the US. She started her career in business and product development in Singapore. Natalie worked in the gambling industry and then moved into the logistics industry specializing in the movement of dangerous goods. She spent the next 7 years in London specializing in commercial and operations management in international roaming within the mobile telecommunications industry. Natalie has been living in Switzerland with her family since 2009.

### Kiti Siren (Finnish)

After finishing her studies in Finland and the USA majoring International Tourism, Cultural Anthropology and Tourism as well as Sales and Marketing, Kiti worked in Finland for Nokia and Inion Ltd.

Kiti moved to Switzerland in 2002. She now lives in Wollerau, canton Schwyz, with her husband and two sons, Noel (2003) and Noah (2006).

### Marta Strich (Swiss)

Marta is one of the Swiss members in our team. After finishing a commercial apprenticeship Marta built up her working experience in the industry as well as in tourism. She worked mainly in Switzerland but also in Spain, Great Britain, Germany and Italy. Marta grew up in Schaffhausen and since 2003 she has lived in Altendorf, canton Schwyz, with her husband and two sons (2004 & 2006).

### Mélanie Watzka-Niebergall (German)

After graduating, Melanie completed her initial business training in Germany. She then passed a Law degree from the universities of Frankfurt/Main and Tübingen (Germany). Melanie gained her first professional experience through legal internships at a district court and in law firms in Stuttgart and Zürich. She now works as a legal adviser at the University of Zürich. Melanie moved to Switzerland in 2007 and lives in Lachen, canton Schwyz, with her husband and two children.