

CV / Resume of Ange Wieberdink

Ange Wieberdink was born in Amsterdam, Netherlands, and studied at the University of Amsterdam.

1981-1996: Researcher at the University of Amsterdam

After graduating she worked at the university's Department of Science Dynamics (1981-1990), where she specialized in development cooperation and took part in environmental projects in Nicaragua. From 1990 to 1996 she was research coordinator at the university's Institute of Development Studies.

She used her participation in the environmental projects in Nicaragua to analyse the dynamics of such programmes and the roles of the local and foreign actors involved. This study was published by International Books under the title *Troubled Waters: The Ambivalence of South-North Partnerships in Research for Development* (2005).

1996-2003: Programme coordinator for Free Voice

In 1996 she made a career shift and started working at Free Voice, a non-governmental organization which supports independent media in the South. She became head of the programme for Central America (1997-2003) and was involved in setting up a network of local radio stations to support democratization processes.

1999-present: Freelance film-maker

In addition to her salaried work, she has always carried out freelance activities in the field of audiovisual productions. In 1999 she was one of the initiators of the ZieZo Foundation, which aims to promote intercultural communication by using films and images. She started producing and directing documentaries of her own. Most of her productions are focused on processes of change and the empowerment of minorities. In 2003 she left Free Voice in order to concentrate on her work as a film-maker.