

# Curriculum Vitae

## Full Name:

Martin Ramstedt

## Academic Degree

Dr. phil.

## Nationality

German

## Place & Date of Birth

Frankfurt a. M., Germany; March 2, 1962

## Marital status

Married to Angelika Meissner since July 25, 1997

## School Education

1968 – 1981 Elementary school in Salzgitter, gymnasium in Wolfenbüttel and München, Germany

## Academic Education

1981 – 1988

*Magister Artium*-program at the *Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München*, Germany: Cultural Anthropology (13 semesters), Folklore Studies (11 semesters), Prehistory (7 semesters), Social Psychology (5 semesters), Indian Studies (4 semesters)

1988

*Magister Artium* (M.A.) in Cultural Anthropology:

Thesis: ‘*Die Traditionellen Darstellenden Künste im modernen Bali - Kontinuität und Wandel*’ [‘*The Traditional Performing Arts in Modern Bali - Continuity and Change*’]

1988 - 1996

Dr.-Phil.-program at the *Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München*, Germany: Cultural Anthropology, Folklore Studies, Social Psychology

25 Feb. 1997

Doctorate in Cultural Anthropology (Dr. phil.) (*magna cum laude*)

Dissertation: ‘*Weltbild, Heilspragmatik und Herrschaftslegitimation im vorkolonialen Bali - Eine Analyse des höfischen Diskurses*’ [‘*World View, Soteriology, and Legitimacy of Rule in Pre-Colonial Bali - an Analysis of the Court Discourse*’]

## **Stipends, Grants & Fellowships**

1988 – 1990

Doctoral stipend (Promotionsstipendium) from the Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes (Study Foundation of the German People)

1990

Grant for a lecture-trip to the U.S.A. from the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Society)

1991

Grant for a lecture-trip to the U.S.A. from the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Society)

1992

Stipend for a three-month-visit to the Leiden University, The Netherlands, from the European Erasmus Program

1997

Oskar-Karl-Forster-Grant as a contribution to the publication of the dissertation

1997

Grant for a lecture trip to Surabaya, Indonesia, from the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Society)

Dec. 1997 – Nov. 2000

European Science Foundation research fellowship at the International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS) in Leiden, The Netherlands

1999

Grant from the Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek / NWO (Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research) to support the convention of the International IIAS-Seminar on Hinduism in Modern Indonesia.

Dec. 2000 – Feb. 2001

Senior visiting fellowship at the International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS) in Leiden, The Netherlands

## **Field Research**

1986

Two-month-fieldwork in Jakarta and Bali in connection with the topic of his MA thesis, supervised by Dr. I Made Bandem, Director of the Indonesian Academy for Dance (Akademi Seni Tari Indonesia) in Denpasar

1988

Two-month fieldtrip to Bali for the study of Old Javanese with Drs. I Nengah Medera, Lecturer for Sanskrit, Old-Javanese and Balinese at the Universitas Udayana in Denpasar, Bali, and gender wayang with I Nyoman Sumandhi, M.A., Lecturer for various genres of Balinese music at the Secondary School for Indonesian Music (Sekolah Menengah Karawitan Indonesia) in Batubulan, Bali

1989/ 90

Eight-month-field-research in Java and Bali in connection with the topic of his dissertation, funded by the Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes (Study Foundation of the German People), supervised by the Lembaga Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia (Indonesian Institute for Sci-

ence) in Jakarta, the Universita Udayana in Denpasar, and the Sekolah Tinggi Seni Indonesia (High School for the Arts of Indonesia) in Denpasar  
1993

One-month-fieldtrip to the village of Sangkaragung in Northwest-Bali to carry out preparations for a project involving the recording of gamelan jegog, a Balinese bamboo-ensemble  
1995

One-month audio- and visual documentation of the Balinese bamboo-ensemble gamelan jegog  
1998

Two-month-fieldtrip to Surabaya, Bali and Jakarta in connection with his research project Diversity in Peril? Hinduism in Modern Indonesia, financed by the International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands

Oct. 1998 - Febr. 1999

Four-month-field research in Jakarta, Yogyakarta, Surabaya, Bali, and South Sulawesi in connection with his research project Diversity in Peril? Hinduism in Modern Indonesia, supervised by the Lembaga Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia (Indonesian Institute for Science) in Jakarta, the Universitas Bhayangkara (Police University) in Surabaya, and the Universitas Hindu Indonesia in Denpasar, financed by the International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands

1999

Two-month-field research in Java and Bali in connection with his research project Diversity in Peril? Hinduism in Modern Indonesia, financed by the International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands

1999

Five-week-field research in India (Dehli, Kuruksetra, Haridwar, Rishikesh, Meerut, Madras, Puttaparthy, Kanchipuram, Mahabalipuram) in connection with his research project Diversity in Peril? Hinduism in Modern Indonesia, financed by the International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands

July 2000

One-month-field research in Bali in connection with his project Diversity in Peril? Hinduism in Modern Indonesia, financed by the International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands

2000

Two-month-field research in Bali, Java, and Kalimantan in connection with his project Diversity in Peril? Hinduism in Modern Indonesia, financed by the International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands

Since Nov. 2001

Fieldwork in different locations and circuits in the Netherlands in connection with his research project "Detraditionalization" and the Normalization of New Forms of Religiosity in Contemporary Dutch Society at the Meertens Instituut, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

## **Professional Experience**

1984 – 1988

Student-assistant at the Institut für deutsche und vergleichende Volkskunde (Institute for German and Comparative Ethnology) at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Germany

1986 – 1988

Academic adviser of the Puppet-Theater-Museum Kaufbeuren, Germany

July - August 1986

Participation in an excavation project of the *Bayerisches Landesamt für Denkmalpflege* (Bavarian Archaeological Bureau), Germany

1988 - 1995 Free-lance tour leader of study tours to Indonesia

1988 – 1997 Free-lance translator, writer and editor

1992 Six-month-on-the-job-training as assistant-editor for the publisher *Topic-Verlag* in Karlsfeld / München, Germany

1995 – 1996 Free-lance assistant-editor for the publisher *MUSEUMS AGENTUR, Verlag Dr. Christian Müller-Straten* in München, Germany

1997 Free-lance editor for the publisher *zeiX Image digital publishing* in München, Germany

2001 Free-lance writer for the *Encyclopedia of Asia*, published by Berkshire Reference Works in Great Barrington, Ma., U.S.A.

### **Further Activities**

1981 – 1989 Member of the Balinese *gamelan* group “Cara Bali” in München, Germany; leader: Andras Varsanyi

1986 – 1992 Member of the Javanese *gamelan* Study Group at the *Musikinstrumentenmuseum* (Museum for Musical Instruments) in München, Germany

Since August 2002

Chair of the *Stichting Nederlands Centrum voor het Volkspoppentheater* (Foundation Dutch Center for Folk Puppet-Theater)

### **Academic Activities**

#### **Research Positions**

Dec. 1997 - Nov. 2000

European Science Foundation research fellow at the International Institute for Asian Studies in Leiden, The Netherlands, and affiliated fellow at the Nordic Institute for Asian Studies in Copenhagen, Denmark; research project: *Diversity in Peril? Hinduism in Modern Indonesia*

Dec. 2000 – Feb. 2001

Senior visiting fellow at the International Institute for Asian Studies, editing the volume ‘Hinduism in Modern Indonesia – *Hindu Dharma Indonesia* between Local, National, and Global Interests’

Nov. 2001 – Oct. 2006

Post-doctoral researcher at the Meertens Instituut, a Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences institute specialized in the documentation of and research on Dutch language and culture; project: *Detraditionalization and the Normalization of New Forms of Religiosity in Contemporary Dutch Society*

### Teaching

1998 (SS) Seminar for undergraduate students on ‘Hinduism in ancient and modern Indonesia’ at the Institute of Ethnology, *Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität* in Münster, Germany, twelve sessions

1998/ 99 (WS) Guest lecturer for the *Doctoraal Bijvak, Indonesië-Overzicht Colleges*, Leiden University, Department of Cultural Anthropology/ Sociology of Non-Western Societies, The Netherlands; one seminar for undergraduate students on ‘Hinduism in Modern Indonesia’

Feb. - April 2000

Seminar for undergraduate students on ‘The Globalization of Religious Identity: Global Religion and Local Tradition in Southeast Asia’ at the Department of Cultural Anthropology, Nijmegen University, The Netherlands, twelve sessions

Jan. – May 2001

Seminar for undergraduate students on ‘The Globalization of Religious Identity: Global Religion and Local Tradition in Southeast Asia’ at the Department of Cultural Anthropology, Nijmegen University, The Netherlands, twelve sessions

Feb. 2001 Guest lecturer at the Department for the Study of the Languages and Cultures of Southeast Asia, Leiden University, The Netherlands; two seminars for undergraduate students on ‘Hinduism in Modern Indonesian’ and ‘Buddhism in Modern Indonesia’

Feb. – March 2001

Guest lecturer at The Nijmegen Graduate School of Theology, Nijmegen University, teaching a lecture course on ‘Cultural Sciences: Anthropologists and Sociologists on Religion’, twelve lectures

Feb. – June 2001

Co-lecturer at the Research School CNWS, Leiden University, Advanced Master Program, for the course on ‘Ritual, Religion, and the Construction of Sacred Space’

Sept. – Oct. 2001

Guest lecturer at The Nijmegen Graduate School of Theology, Nijmegen University, teaching a lecture course on ‘Cultural Sciences: Anthropologists and Sociologists on Religion’, twelve lectures

Nov. Dec. 2001

Guest lecturer at the Theological Faculty, Master Program ‘World Spirituality’, seminar on ‘The Spirituality of Pre-dominantly Oral Cultures’, six sessions

Feb. – June 2002

Seminar for undergraduate students on ‘The Globalization of Religious Identity: Global Religion and Local Tradition in Southeast Asia’ at the Department of Cultural Anthropology, Nijmegen University, The Netherlands, twelve sessions

### **Invited Lectures**

See List of Publications

### **Convening Conferences**

Sept. 1999 Convening the International IAS-Seminar on ‘Hinduism in Modern Indonesia’ at the International Institute for Asian Studies in Leiden, The Netherlands

### **Organizing Conference Panels**

May 2003 ‘Spiritual Capitalism? Alternative Spirituality in the Corporate World’ within the framework of the Conference on Alternative Spirituality and New Age Studies at The Open University, Department of Religious Studies, Milton Keynes, U.K.

### **Chairing Conference Panels**

1998 Chairing a paper session on ‘Ethnicity and Religious Reforms’, International Convention of Scholars of Asian Studies (ICAS), Nordwijkerhout, 26.06.98.

2000 Chairing the ‘Second Public Lectures-Panel’ at the Second International Conference on Ramayana & Mahabharata, Bali-Indonesia, 13-15 September 2000.

### **Activities as Academic Adviser**

1998 – 1999 Academic Adviser for the establishment of a doctoral program at the *Universitas Bhayangkara* (Police University) in Surabaya, Indonesia

1999 – 2000 Academic Adviser for the establishment of a new program ‘Applied Studies of Languages for Business Communication/ Bahasa Indonesia’ at the University for Applied Sciences in Konstanz, Germany

Since July 2000

Academic adviser and guest lecturer for the establishment of a doctoral programme at the *Sekolah Tinggi Agama Hindu Negeri*, (State College for the Study of the Hindu Religion), Denpasar, Indonesia

Fall 2002 Reviewer for the *Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek / NWO* (Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research) and the Dutch organization for *Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek van de Tropen / WOTRO* (Scientific Research of the Tropics)

### **Languages**

German, English, Dutch, French, Indonesian, Old-Javanese, Balinese, Latinum

### **Scientific Memberships**

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

American Academy of Religion  
American Anthropological Association  
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Völkerkunde  
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Volkskunde  
European Association for Southeast Asian Studies  
Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde  
International Society for Balinese Studies