My Profile as GFZ Alumni

My current position:

Outreach Manager

My PhD experience at:

My Postdoc experience at:

Ask me about: scholarly communication, electronic publishing, research data, PIDs

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What I enjoy most about my job:

To be able to contribute to the good of humanity by doing what I love most: promoting open research with an awesome international team of likeminded people.

As a bigger picture, my work has the purpose:

As DataCite's outreach manager I promote the service of our organization that is to provide our member institutions with Digital Object Identifiers for all kinds of research outputs (research data, software, text publications etc.). We help make research outputs and resources findable, citable, connected and reused globally.

Common biased opinion about my work field:

Working for a persistent identifier provider seems a quite dry and nerdy work field to many people. In fact it's pretty exciting to collaborate internationally for the common goal of enabling open research.

A skill-set I think is useful for a position like mine:

Being open (research) minded and interested in international scholarly communication.

A crucial factor to get my current job:

I had previous experience with persistent identifiers through various projects (in which DataCite was also involved).

My recommendation to a postdoc aiming for a career outside academia:

Follow your interests that you have outside academia and look for opportunities to combine them with the skills you acquired throughtout your career. Do the things you love.

