

Livestock within SAFBIN project - goat breeding in project areas in Nepal – Bernadette Moser

Short introduction

Bernadette Moser is 24 years old and currently working on her master`s degree at the BOKU - University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria. She is enrolled in the course on organic agriculture after finishing her bachelors in natural resource management.



She gained experiences travelling in south-east Asia and during an internship with an NGO in Thailand. During this internship she was working with people from a small village in the rural south of Thailand to promote organic agriculture for sustainable development. She is am deeply interested in local knowledge and traditions of Asia.

Research Topic

The working title of her master thesis is: Analysis of goat breeding strategies of farmers in Nepal

The aim of her thesis is to assess the current breeding management and breeding strategies of goat farmers in Nepal. In addition, a comparison of the performance of local and crossbred animals and impact assessment of crossbreeding at farm level will be performed. The database will be based on 30-50 farmer

interviews and visits to Nepalese goat research institutions. Bernadette hopes that her results will be useful for the SAF-BIN project and goat keepers in Nepal.

Progress

By June 2014 Bernadette has finished her data collection in the field and returned to Vienna for data analysis and write-up of her master thesis.

Link to SAFBIN-project

The research done by Bernadette will add a livestock component to the ongoing SAF-BIN project activities in Nepal and broaden the knowledge base on goat breeding in the region.

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