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EDUCATION

Diploma in French Studies (political institutions), with honors, University of Paris III, 1973

B.A., *magna cum laude*, French, Carleton College, Northfield, MN, 1974

M.A., Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1977

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1983

EMPLOYMENT

International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Washington, DC

Research Fellow, Food Consumption and Nutrition Division, 2004-

Carry out research on conflict and food security, biodiversity and food security, globalization and food security, global humanitarian assistance policy, food aid, community empowerment and food security, impacts of climate change and bioenergy on food security and nutrition, gender and rural development, and the human rights to adequate food and freedom from hunger. Conduct field research in Ethiopia (on gender and rural services and on participatory approaches to natural resource management) and Haiti (institutional issues in social protection policy). Secure funding for research projects, supervise team of Ph.D.- and M.A.-level researchers and administrative support staff. Represent Institute on U.S. National Committee for World Food Day. Alternate IFPRI representative to Standing Committee on Nutrition (SCN) of the U.N. System, serve as Rapporteur of SCN Working Group on Nutrition, Ethics, and Human Rights.

Special Assistant to the Director General, 1998-2005

Assisted CEO of international agricultural research center in preparing speeches, Congressional testimony, articles, academic papers, book chapters, op-ed articles, and audio-visual presentations. Assisted in editing books and conference proceedings. Gave public presentations to scholarly and lay audiences and briefed members of Congress and their staff on topics related to world hunger. Principal author of Institute's 2003 10-year strategic plan and 2005 interim update. Principal author of Institute's global action plan, "Reaching Sustainable Food Security for All by 2020." Contributor to "A Framework for Action on Agriculture," official background

paper for World Summit on Sustainable Development. Served as Institute liaison to nongovernmental organizations. Represented Institute on U.S. National Committee for World Food Day. Represented Institute on Intergovernmental Working Group of Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in negotiations to elaborate a set of voluntary guidelines to support the progressive realization of the right to adequate food. Served as Secretary of IFPRI Board of Trustees, 1998-2005, managed \$250,000 Board budget. Secretary of IFPRI Senior Management Team, 1998-2002. Coordinated impact evaluation activities, edited impact evaluation studies, managed \$200,000 impact evaluation budget. Assisted in fundraising activities. Supervised two research assistants, consultants, interns, and administrative support staff.

Bread for the World, Washington, DC, 1990-98

Senior Research Associate, Institute on Hunger and Development, 1991-98

Edited award-winning annual report on world hunger. Conducted briefings on report findings for media, policy-makers, anti-hunger advocacy community, academic audiences, and general public. Solicited report co-sponsorships from foundations, United Nations agencies, and private voluntary organizations. Oversaw production and dissemination. Conducted research on scope and causes of hunger in the United States and worldwide. Wrote and edited additional materials as assigned. Analyzed U.S. and international policy responses, developed policy proposals. Supervised research team of one professional, two to four interns, one administrative assistant, and consultants. Managed \$200,000 program budget. Represented organization at World Food Summit, preparatory and follow-up meetings; lobbied national government delegates and Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) officials on behalf of North-South nongovernmental organization coalition. Represented organization on Steering Committee of Popular Coalition to Eradicate Hunger and Poverty, collaborative effort of Southern and Northern nongovernmental organizations and international organizations (International Fund for Agricultural Development, World Bank, FAO, World Food Programme). Member of U.S. delegation to 1997 meeting of FAO Committee on World Food Security.

International Hunger Policy Analyst, 1990-91

Led development of advocacy positions and strategy on international hunger issues, including food aid reform, increased U.S. funding of child survival activities, and the impact of the 1991 Persian Gulf war on world hunger. Engaged in direct legislative advocacy and coordinated grass-roots lobbying in collaboration with field staff. Organized Washington-based nongovernmental food aid reform coalition.

Associate Director, Asia Resource Center, Washington, DC, 1986-90

Conducted research and prepared reports on economic, political, and social issues in the Asia-Pacific region and relevant U.S. policies. Presented findings to congressional committees, executive branch agencies, media, and non-governmental organizations. Arranged visits to policy-makers and counterpart organizations in Washington, DC for Asian nongovernmental organization representatives. Carried out field research on human rights conditions and social and political change in Taiwan. Served as election observer in South Korea. Responsible for financial management and office operations. Raised funds for Northeast Asia (China, Taiwan, Japan, Korea) programs. Supervised two professionals, interns, and volunteers.

Staff Associate, Formosan Association for Public Affairs, Washington, DC, 1984-86

Monitored legislation, coordinated grassroots lobbying campaigns, prepared testimony and statements for association leaders, conducted advocacy training workshops, edited publications, and served as media spokesperson for Taiwanese-American organization advocating democratization and self-determination in Taiwan. Managed office, supervised one professional and interns.

Researcher, Business Environment Risk Information, S.A., Washington, DC, 1983-84

Prepared reports on political, economic, and social conditions in Southeast Asia and the implications for business and financial activity.

Research Assistant, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of International Cooperation and Development, 1980-82

Assisted in design and backstopping of agricultural and rural development technical assistance projects in Sub-Saharan Africa under inter-agency agreements with U.S. Agency for International Development and direct agreements with African governments. Managed \$400,000 Resource Support Service Agreement with USAID Africa Bureau. Recruited project personnel from USDA, state extension services, and Land Grant institutions. Prepared briefing papers on political, economic, and social conditions in project countries. Assisted in writing and editing comprehensive study of food and agriculture issues in Gabon. Prepared background study of Zimbabwe for team negotiating first USDA-Zimbabwe Ministry of Agriculture and Lands memorandum of understanding on technical assistance following independence. Designed development component of food aid programs.

CONSULTING

Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, New York, NY, 1986-90

Prepared reports on human rights in Taiwan and U.S. policy.

Human Rights Watch, New York, NY, 1986-89

Prepared reports on human rights in Taiwan and U.S. policy.

Korean Institute for Human Rights, Arlington, VA, 1984-85

Prepared reports on human rights in South Korea and U.S. policy.

International Center for Development Policy, Washington, DC, 1983-84

Advised on development of a citizens' commission on U.S. foreign policy.

ADJUNCT FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Professorial Lecturer in International Development, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC, Fall 2004-present

Teach "Nature, Wealth, and Power: Issues in Rural Development."

Faculty Member, University of Florence Summer Institute on International Development, Summer 2006

Lectured on health, nutrition, and food security.

Adjunct Associate Professor, School of International Service, American University, Washington, DC, Summer 1998

Taught workshop on "Evaluating Human Rights Advocacy" as part of American University-Amnesty International Summer Institute on Human Rights.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (complete list available upon request)

Marc J. Cohen, Mariagrazia Rocchigiani, and James L. Garrett, "Empowering Communities Through Food-Based Programmes: Ethiopia Case Study," *WFP Occasional Papers* No. 18 (Rome: World Food Programme, forthcoming 2008).

Marc J. Cohen, Cristina Tirado, Noora-Lisa Aberman, and Brian Thompson, "Impact of Climate Change and Bioenergy on Nutrition," Paper Prepared for the High-level Conference on World Food Security: The Challenge of Climate Change and Bioenergy (Rome and Washington: Food

and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and IFPRI, 2008). Posted at <http://www.ifpri.org/PUBS/cp/cohen2008climate/cohenetal2008climate.pdf>.

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John Hoddinott, Marc J. Cohen, and Christopher B. Barrett, "Renegotiating the Food Aid Convention: Background, Context, and Issues," *Global Governance* 14:3 (July-September 2008): 283-304.

Marc J. Cohen, "Charting the Future of Food," *Georgetown Journal of International Affairs* 9:1 (Spring 2008): 3-6.

Marc J. Cohen, "Community-based, Participatory Soil and Water Conservation in Ethiopia," *WDR Best Practices: Sub-Saharan Africa* (Bonn: Global Donor Platform for Rural Development, 2007). Posted at <http://www.donorplatform.org/content/view/144/178/1/2/>.

Marc J. Cohen and Anitha Ramanna, "Public Access to Seeds and the Human Right to Adequate Food," in George Kent, ed., *Global Obligations for the Right to Food* (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2007).

Marc J. Cohen and L. Weingärten, eds. *Food Aid: Exploring the Challenges, Report on an International Conference Held in Berlin, May 2-4*. (Bonn: Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development [BMZ], 2007).

Ellen Messer and Marc J. Cohen, "The Human Right to Food as a U.S. Nutrition Concern, 1976-2006," *IFPRI Discussion Paper No. 731* (Washington, D.C.: International Food Policy Research Institute, 2007). <http://www.ifpri.org/pubs/dp/IFPRIDP00731.pdf>

Marc J. Cohen, "The World Food Situation," *Right to Food Quarterly* 2:2 (2007): 2-4. <http://www.fian.org/resources/documents/categoria-3/right-to-food-quarterly-vol-2-no-2/pdf>

Marc J. Cohen, "Food Security: Vulnerability Despite Abundance," *Coping with Crisis Working Paper Series* (July) (New York: International Peace Academy, 2007). <http://www.ipacademy.org/asset/file/192/mgs-fsec.pdf>

Ellen Messer and Marc J. Cohen, "Conflict, Food Insecurity and Globalization," *Food, Culture and Society* 10:2 (Summer 2007): 297-315.

Marc J. Cohen and Mary Ashby Brown, "The Right to Adequate Food, Justiciability, and Food Security: The Cases of the United States of America, India, and South Africa," in Marco Borghi and Letizia Postiglione Blommestein, eds., *The Right to Adequate Food and Access to Justice* (Zürich: Schulthess, 2006), pp. 219-252.

Ellen Messer and Marc J. Cohen, "Ending Food Wars in the 21st Century," in Todd Post, ed., *Strengthening Rural Communities: Hunger Report 2005* (Washington: Bread for the World Institute, 2005), pp. 34-35.

Joachim von Braun, Mark W. Rosegrant, Rajul Pandya-Lorch, Marc J. Cohen, Sarah A. Cline, Mary Ashby Brown, and María Soledad Bos, "New Risks and Opportunities for Food Security: Scenario Analyses for 2015 and 2050," *2020 Vision Food, Agriculture, and the Environment Discussion Paper No. 39* (Washington: IFPRI, 2005).

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Per Pinstrup-Andersen and Marc J. Cohen, "Feeding the World in the New Millennium," in Donald Kennedy and John A. Riggs, eds., *U.S. Policy and the Global Environment: Memos to the President* (Washington, D.C: The Aspen Institute, 2000).

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Marc J. Cohen and Per Pinstrup-Andersen, "Food Security and Conflict," *Social Research* Vol. 66: 1 (Spring 1999): 377-416.

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Marc J. Cohen, "Ethical and Religious Condemnation of the Use of Food as a Weapon," *World Alliance for Nutrition and Human Rights Bulletin* No. 7 (September 1998): 8-11.

Ellen Messer and Marc J. Cohen, "Hunger and Civil War Rage in Sudan," *Joplin Globe*, July 24, 1998.

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Ellen Messer, Marc J. Cohen, and Jashinta D'Costa, "Food from Peace: Breaking the Links Between Conflict and Hunger," *2020 Vision Food, Agriculture and the Environment Discussion Paper* No. 24 (Washington, DC: IFPRI, 1998).

Marc J. Cohen and John Teton, "Fifty Years Is Not Enough: The Right to Food," in James Riker, ed., *The Changing Politics of Hunger: Hunger 1999* (Silver Spring, MD: Bread for the World Institute, 1998), pp. 11-12.

Marc J. Cohen, ed. *Hunger in a Global Economy: Hunger 1998* (Silver Spring, MD: Bread for the World Institute, 1997).

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS

Read, write, and speak fluent French.

Working knowledge of Spanish