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Simona is both an alumni and employee of Palacký University Olomouc. She graduated from both the Faculty of Science (Bachelor in Geography/Geoinformatics, 2001) and the Faculty of Physical Culture (Masters in PE + Geography Teaching, 2007). In 2013 she got her Ph.D. at the Faculty of Physical Culture in the field of Kinanthropology.

Since 2008 she has been working as an assistant professor at the Department of Development and Environmental Studies of the Faculty of Science.

She primarily focuses on the field of

development in Asia and on the role of sport

in development incl. researching its impacts. She also works in Global Development Education (GRV) and prepares volunteers for stays outside Europe. She supports using qualitative research methods and participatory approach in evaluation.

My Topic for the 18th International Teaching Week:

- 1) Sport for Development – Use of Sport With Non-Sporting Aims