







Biography

Birgitt Hoffmann, a prominent Iranologist and Islamologist, was born in Germany. She received her PhD in Islamic History from the University of Freiburg, and the title of her postdoctoral thesis was "A Study of Rashid al-Din's Valuable Services in the Rabe Rashid of Tabriz during the Ilkhanate", which she presented in 2001.

From 1985 to 1989, Hoffmann was research assistant at the Institute for Iranian Studies at the Free University of Berlin, and from 1989 to 1995, research assistant at the Chair for Iranian Studies at Otto Friedrich University of Bamberg. She was also a professor of Islamic and Arabic Studies at the University of Würzburg and has been professor of Iranian Studies at the Otto Friedrich University of Bamberg. From 2003 to 2007, she was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute for Iranian Studies of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and since 2007 has been the Chairwoman of the Scientific Advisory board of the Center for Asian Studies and Social Anthropology of this Academy.

Hoffman has conducted research on Ilkhanate history and culture, Rashid al-Din Fazl Allah Hamadani, residents and visitors to the Maragheh Observatory, and the throne ceremony of Mongolian princes, and her research has been published in the form of articles.

Some of her works are as follows: 'Waqf in Mongolian Iran', 'Iran under Mongol Rule: The Ilkhanate', 'The Lifeworld of Ilkhanid Maragha', 'Travel literature in the Persian language', 'From Genghis Khan to the Ilkhanate of Iran: The Throne Ceremony of Mongolian Princes- Functions and Changes in a Political Ritual', 'The art of Words in the Service of World Conquerors: Persian bureaucrats and poets among the Mongolian Ilkhanate', 'Documents from the Ilkhanid Era', 'The Ilkhanate. History and culture of Iran from the Mongol conquest to the end of the Ilkhanid Era', 'Engelbert Kaempfer in Persia', 'Auqāf-i Īrān wa muškil-i pažūhiš dar bāra-yi ān', 'The Khomeini Mausoleum in Tehran: Considerations on Persian-Islamic Architecture', 'Gates of Piety and Charity', 'Turkmen Princes and Religious Dignitaries'