

AT A GLANCE

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PERSONAL DATA

63 years old, 2 adult daughters, Swiss national, grown up in Basel, Switzerland
Living in Bern, Switzerland

EDUCATION

1982 – 1985 Doctoral thesis (plant ecology) at Univ. Basel, Switzerland. *Ph.D.*
1977 – 1982 Study of Biology at Univ. Basel, Switzerland. *M.Sc. in Biology*

FURTHER QUALIFICATIONS

2014 Best board praxis. VR Management AG, Luzern, Switzerland
2014 RSPO supply chain certification lead auditor. David Ogg & Partners Ltd., Pickering, UK
2012 Green Power Mini MBA. Green Power Academy, London, UK
2009 Certificate Level 1 (basic qualification in adult education). SVEB (The Swiss national Umbrella Organisation for Adult Education), Zürich, Switzerland
2001 Total quality management assessment. Swiss Association for Quality, Kirchberg, Switzerland

CAREER

2015 – Co-founder and president of the management of true&fair.expert llc
2004 – 2015 Member of SQS's executive board, area "training and environment". *Responsible for services in the fields of environment, sustainability, assessment and training*
2001 – 2015 SQS, Zollikofen, Switzerland. *Auditor for Quality and Environmental Management Systems (750+ audits/assessments in 47 countries on 5 continents)*
1993 – 2000 Laboratory for Ecotoxicology, Himmelried/Nunningen, Switzerland. Founder & owner
1990 – 1992 Institute for Applied Plant Biology, Schönenbuch, Switzerland. *Senior Scientist*
1988 – 1990 Institute of Biochemical Plant Pathology, HelmholtzZentrum, München, Germany. *Post-Doc*
1985 – 1987 Institute for Applied Plant Biology, Schönenbuch, Switzerland. *Junior Scientist*

PERSONAL ENGAGEMENTS

June, 2010 Volunteer work on a Health Expedition to Himachal Pradesh, India
1991 – 2005 Member of the council's committee "Environment and nature conservation", Himmelried, Switzerland (committee's president 1997 – 2005)

LANGUAGES (classifications according to European language levels)

German Mother tongue
English C2 Understanding, C2 Speaking, C1 Writing
Spanish C1 Understanding, C1 Speaking, B2 Writing
French C1 Understanding, B2 Speaking, B1 Writing
Italian C1 Understanding, B2 Speaking, B1 Writing
Hindi Beginner

INTERESTS

Professional: Sustainability, climate change, corporate social responsibility
Private: Arts & culture, travelling, skiing, sharing values

Detailed CV, proofs and references: available on request