

ANNA ELENA SCHMID, PHD

Climate Economist | Data Scientist/Analyst | Creative Thinker

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EXPERIENCE

Climate and Agricultural Data Scientist

CinSOIL 08/2025 - Present Berlin, Germany

PhD in Climate Economics

University of Bern 02/2020 - 12/2024 Bern, Switzerland

Research Stay

Columbia University 07/2023 - 02/2024 New York, United States

Academic Intern

Federal Office of Meteorology and Climatology 04/2019 - 12/2019  
Zürich, Switzerland

Assistant Competence Centres Volunteering and Youth Work

Swiss Red Cross 01/2016 - 07/2016 Bern, Switzerland

Restaurant Employee

Restaurant Casa Novo 05/2014 - 04/2015 Bern, Switzerland

Assistant Event Management

TMGZ Theatre Casino 09/2011 - 03/2012 Zug, Switzerland

PROJECTS

Co-Founder, Project Manager and President

2015 - 2019 Zürich, Switzerland  
Co-founded VoCHabular, a volunteer project creating tools to help refugees learn German and Swiss German and feel more at home.

> 60 Volunteers, > 3600 Distributed Books, > 15 Spoken Languages

SKILLS

R • Python • STATA • Statistics • Data Analysis • LaTeX • Project Management • GitHub •

Survey Design • Machine Learning • MS Office • Adobe InDesign • Science Communication •

Cooperative • Can Take Criticism • Sociable

EDUCATION

EIT Food Innovator Fellowship

European Institute for Innovation - Technology  
06/2025 - Present Berlin, Germany

Graduate School of Climate Sciences

Oeschger Centre for Climate Change Research  
Bern, Switzerland

Program for Doctoral Students

Zurich Graduate School of Economics  
08/2020 - 06/2021 Zürich, Switzerland

MSc in Applied Economic Analysis

University of Bern  
09/2016 - 01/2019 Bern, Switzerland

BA in Social Sciences

University of Bern  
09/2012 - 01/2016 Bern, Switzerland

SEMINARS, CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

ICAE (New Delhi), AAEA (New Orleans), AES (Edinburgh), AAEA (Washington, D.C.), AES (Warwick), Winter School on Machine Learning (ML and DNN, TensorFlow) (Mürren), Labor Market and Economic Geography (Bern), Shifting Landscapes, LSE (London), Scientific Retreat (Lenk), Ph.D. Seminar (Bern), Machine Learning for Weather and Climate Modeling (Bern), Summer School on Vegetation, Land Surface and Climate Interactions (ETH Zurich), Annual Workshop of the Verein für Socialpolitik (Oldenburg)

SUMMARY

I tackle climate challenges with data, curiosity, and a get-things-done mindset. With a PhD in Climate Economics and experience across research and policy, I turn complex problems into practical solutions. From climate risk modeling to machine learning, I love connecting dots and people. Whether it's leading projects, mentoring, or jumping into bold ideas, I'm all about collaboration that drives real impact.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Innovative Climate Research

Experimental & Survey-Based Insights

Enhanced Teaching Methods

Academic Leadership & Advocacy

Founding & Scaling voCHabular

LANGUAGES

Swiss German	Native	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
German	Fluent	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
English	Fluent	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
French	Advanced	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
Persian	Basic	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
Spanish	Basic	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteer Lead Rescuer

Rescuing Leftover Cuisine

New York, United States

Volunteer

Swiss Climate Protection Association

Zürich, Switzerland

Volunteer Husky Trainer

Cold Nose Huskies

Gargnäs, Swedish Lappland

Mentor (Incluso Program)

Caritas

Zürich, Switzerland

INSTITUTIONAL TASKS

Representative of the Doctoral Students

University of Bern

Student Body of the Faculty of Social Sciences

University of Bern

AWARDS / GRANTS

SNSF Mobility Grant (Swiss National Science Foundation) | CHF 11'679

VBW-Excellence Award, Third Best Master Thesis | CHF 400