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Education

Nov. 2009- PhD Climate Sciences at Climate- and Environmental Physics, University of Bern,

Dec. 2013 Climate Forcings and Feedbacks from the Terrestrial Biosphere – From Greenhouse-Gas Emissions to Anthropogenic Land Use Change

Supervised by Prof. Fortunat Joos, date obtained: 13. Dec. 2013

Sep. 2007- MSc Climate Sciences at Climate- and Environmental Physics, University of Bern,

Oct. 2009 Transient Simulations of Land Use Change in the Holocene – Separating the Human Impact from Natural Drivers of the Carbon Cycle

Supervised by Prof. Fortunat Joos, date obtained: 16. Nov. 2009

Jun. 2006 Undergraduate in Geography (120 ECTS) with a Minor (60 ECTS) in **Physics**, and a complementary (15 ECTS) in **General Ecology**, University of Bern

Employment

Since Assistant Professor for Computational Ecosystem Science, Department for Environmental

Sep. 2019 Systems Science, ETH Zürich, and WSL Birmensdorf, Switzerland

Apr. 2019- Visiting Scholar with Prof. Robert Jackson, Department of Earth System Science, Stanford

Aug. 2019 University, USA

Mar. 2017- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Research Fellow with Prof. Josep Peñuelas,

Feb. 2019 Ecological and Forestry Applications Research Centre (CREAF), Barcelona, Spain

Sep. 2017- Postdoctoral Researcher with Prof. S. Seneviratne, Department for Environmental Systems

Feb. 2018 Science, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

Mar. 2014- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, with Prof. I. C. Prentice, Department of Life Sciences,

Sep. 2016 Imperial College London, U.K.

Jan.-Feb. Postdoctoral Researcher with Prof. F. Joos, Climate- and Environmental Physics,

2014 University of Bern.

Approved research projects (Chronological order)

- **[co-applicant] SNF Agora**, Biotinkering for Youth Robotics and digital learning in plant science engagement; Swiss National Science Foundation, 2.5 years, Apr. 2021 Sep. 2023, 200 kCHF (approx. 182 kEUR). This funds outreach activities on robotics and digital learning for plant sciences which I co-create with co-applicants.
- [co-PI] Virtual Earth System Research Institute, LEMONTREE Land Ecosystem Models based On New Theory, obseRvations, and ExperimEnts, Schmidt Futures, 5 years, Jan. 2021 Dec. 2025, 10 mio. US\$ (approx. 9 mio. CHF). This funds a postdoc (3 yr) and a PhD (3 yr) in my group.
- [co-PI] WSL Internal Innovative Project, Increasing cold stress on photosynthesis in a warming world? Granted Aug. 2019, 60 kCHF (approx. 56 kEUR) [WSL internal project]. This funds a postdoc (Y. Luo), cosupervised by Prof. A. Gessler (WSL) and myself.
- [PI] SNF Eccellenza Professorial Fellowship, MIND developing next-generation Modelling approaches for simulating processes in the terrestrial biosphere by Including New Data streams and optimality approaches; Swiss National Science Foundation, 60 months, Sep. 2020 Aug. 2024, total 1.8 mio. CHF (approx. 1.6 mio. EUR). This funds my salary, 3 yr postdoc, and two 4-yr PhD in my group.

Supervision and mentoring

- Current PhD: Yunke Peng, 2020-present; Francesco Giardina, 2010-present; Gabriela Sophia, MPI-BGC Jena, Germany, start in July 2021, co-supervision with Dr. Sönke Zaehle
- Current MSc: Pascal Schneider, 2021-present; Martina Buck, 2021-present; Ana Roldan Cevallos [scheduled start Nov. 2021]
- Current postdoc Koen Hufkens, 2021-present; Laura Marqués, postdoc, 2019-present; Di Tian, postdoc, 2020-present; Yungpeng Luo, postdoc, 2021
- Past MSc (co-supervision): Fabienne Meier, MSc 2020-2021; Paula Casadei, MSc, 2018-2019; Fabian Feissli, MSc, 2011; Guan Jie Low, B.Sc. 2014;

Teaching

- Environmental Systems Data Science, co-lead of new lecture for MSc in Environmental Sciences and MSc in Agricultural Sciences, ETHZ, lecturer and author of tutorial chapters (autumn 2020, 2021, tutorial available at https://stineb.github.io/esds_book/)
- **Global Change Biology**, lecturer, for MSc in Environmental Sciences and MSc in Agronomy, ETH Zürich (spring 2020, spring 2021)
- Data Science Lab, guest-lecturer, for MSc in Computer Science, ETH Zürich (spring and autumn 2021)
- Machine Learning for Eddy Covariance data, lecturer and author of tutorial, C2SM Summer School 2021 (tutorial available at https://stineb.github.io/ml4ec_workshop/)
- Lecturer at summer schools: *Greening of the Earth*, C2SM Summer School 2021; *The CO2 fertilisation effect across scales*, FORMON Summer School 2021
- Introduction to the Carbon Cycle, guest lecturer, MRes in Ecosystem and Environmental Change, Imperial College London; designed own course material (autumn 2015)
- Teaching assistant for several courses during PhD at Physics Institute, U. Bern

Professional service, panel memberships, and reviewing

- PhD jury member: Dr. Marcos Fernández-Martínez, UAB Barcelona, Spain (Jan. 2016)
- Reviewer for grant proposals: ERC Consolidator Grant Call 2018
- Completed peer reviews for journals: Nature (3), Nature Geoscience (4), Nature Climate Change (1), New Phytologist (3), Global Change Biology (4), Geoscientific Model Development (5), Biogeosciences (9), Journal of Climate (1), Earth System Dynamics (1), Environmental Research Letters (1), Geophysical Research Letters (1), Global Biogeochemical Cycles (1), Earth and Planetary Science Letters (1), Journal of Geophysical Research Biogeosciences (1), Earth's Future (1), AGU Advances (2), Remote Sensing of the Environment (1) [see also publions.com/a/1186022/]

Organisation of conferences

- Conferences and symposia: Zurich-Basel Plant Science Center Symposium, 8 Dec. 2021
- Workshops: Terrestrial nitrogen cycling in Earth system models revisited, UK, Feb. 2016; Palaeoclimate experiments to evaluate the impact of LULC on climate and the carbon cycle: a joint co-design workshop of the PAGES LandCover6ka WG and the Palaeoclimate Modelling Intercomparion Project, Sep. 2018
- Conference sessions: EGU 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021; SIBECOL 2019; PAGES OSM 2017; INQUA 2015

Awards and fellowships

- [Fellow] Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions Individual Fellowship, Mar. 2017-Feb. 2019, project number H2020-MSCA-IF-2015-701329 FIBER, total 158 kEUR (approx. 181 kCHF)
- [Offered Fellowship] Incoming PEGASUS Fellowship, granted by the Flemish Science Foundation (FWO), 36 months, July 2016. Not accepted due to acceptance of the MSCA Fellowship (see above).

- **[Fellow] SNF Early Postdoc.Mobility scholarship**, Swiss National Science Foundation, 18 months, Mar. 2015 Aug. 2016, project number P2BEP2_158964, total 63 kEUR (72 kCHF).
- Faculty prize for best Master's thesis at the Physics Institute, University of Bern, obtained Feb. 2010