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Affiliation

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Personal details

Date of Birth: 17.01.1959
Citizenship: Italian
Marital Status: married, 2 children

Education

1996 Habilitation on ecosystem ecology in semi natural and differently managed mountain ecosystems (venia legendi for "Ecology"), University of Innsbruck, Austria
1977 – 1985 PhD in biology and informatics (*summa cum laude*); doctoral thesis on ecological effects of downhill ski areas in a mountain environment in Austria

Career

2018 – to date President of the Free University of Bolzano/Bozen (Italy)
2012 – 2018 Dean of the Faculty of Biology at University of Innsbruck, Austria
2014 – to date Founder and co-coordinator of the South Tyrolean Mountain Long Term Socio-Ecological Research Site "Matsch/Mazia" (LTER-Italy), Italy
2010 – to date Co-ordinator of the Long Term Socio-Ecological Research Platform "Tyrolean Alps" (LTER-Austria) and member of the LTER-Austria executive committee, Austria
2006 – to date Speaker of the research center 'Ecology of the Alpine Regions' at the University of Innsbruck, Austria
2006 – 2012 Director, Institute of Ecology at the University of Innsbruck, Austria
2005 – to date Full Professor of Ecosystem and Landscape Ecology, Institute of Ecology, University of Innsbruck, Austria
1996 – 2005 Associate Professor (with Tenure), Institute of Botany, University of Innsbruck
1995 – to date Head, Institute for Alpine Environment, Eurac Research, Bolzano/Bozen, Italy
1985 – 1996 Assistant Professor, Institute of Botany, University of Innsbruck, Austria

Fields of scholarship

Ecosystem and landscape ecology of mountain environments on various temporal and spatial scales with a focus on global change (climate, land use and biodiversity), as well as inter- and transdisciplinary research on social-ecological systems, ecosystem services and sustainability monitoring.

Selected honors, awards, offers and services

2020 Research Award Südtirol/Alto Adige
2019 Science Award for Outstanding Achievements of the Stiftung Südtiroler Sparkasse
2015 – 2017 Scientific expert for the definition of a new Spatial Planning and Landscape Conservation law for the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen South Tyrol
2014 Cross of Merit of the Land Tirol for her research on mountain regions

2013 – 2018	Member of the Scientific Committee „Deliberate release of genetically modified organisms – GMO’s” of the Austrian Federal Ministry of Health
2012 – 2018	Member of the National Committee ‘Global Change’ of the Austrian Academy of Sciences
2011 – 2016	Member of the Scientific Advisory Board TERENO - Terrestrial Environmental Observatories
2011 – 2016	Member of the Executive Committee of the Ecological Society of Germany, Austria and Switzerland (GfÖ)
2010	Calouste Gulbenkian International Prize awarded with reference to the category of „humanity’s relationship with nature and respect for biodiversity“ shared with all collaborators of the Institute for Alpine Environment (EURAC research) and the North-American Society of Environmental Journalists
2005	Offer to become Full Professor (W3) of Ecosystem Research at the University of Münster, Germany (declined)
1995 – 1999	Vice-president of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) commission of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen-South Tyrol
1995 – 1997	Scientific co-ordination of the regional implementation of Council Directive 92/43/EEC on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora in the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen South Tyrol (I)
1985	Award of distinction for scientific work (Regional Government of Salzburg)

Memberships

2010 – to date	Member of the Ecosystem Service Partnership, ESP
2009 – to date	Member of the German chapter of the International Association for Landscape Ecology, IALE-D
2009 – to date	Member of the Italian Ecological Society, S.It.E.
1982 – to date	Member of the Ecological Society of Germany, Austria and Switzerland, GfÖ

Coordination of Research Projects (selected, last 5 years)

2022 – 2025	Coordinating Lead Author (CLA): 2nd Austrian Assessment Report on Climate Change, Chapter 2: Ecosystem Services and Health
2019 – 2024	Co-ordination: Biodiversity Monitoring South Tyrol (Autonomous Province of Bolzano - South Tyrol)
2019 – 2022	Co-Chair: APCC Special Report on land use, land management and climate change (Klima- und Energiefonds, Austrian Climate Research Programme ACRP).
2016 – 2023	Principal investigator (PI) of the Long-Term Monitoring National Parc Hohe Tauern, Modul 1 (National Parc Hohe Tauern)

Funding

EU	2'071'776 €
FWF	2 580 587 €
Governmental Funding	8 837 328 €
Private Funding	716'607 €
Total	14'296'298 €

Publications

- Editor of 26 books / conference proceedings, Guest editor for a special issue of a journal
- Total number of publications (Web of Science / Google Scholar) 181 / 498
 - Refereed publications > 270
 - Citations (WoS/Google Scholar) 6992 / 12096
 - Average citation per paper (WoS) 38.6
 - h-Index (WoS/Google Scholar) 46 / 62

Organization of conferences: 2 national, 6 international