

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Employment

since 03/2012 Post-doc at the Helmholtz-Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ,  
Department of ecological modelling  
2008 – 2010 Research assistant at the Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF)  
financed by the German-Israeli Foundation for Research and Development (GIF)

## Education

2008 – 2013 PhD-student at University of Potsdam, Department of plant ecology and nature  
conservation, supervised by Prof. Florian Jeltsch.  
▪ Title of the dissertation : „Spatial models of plant diversity and plant functional  
traits – towards a better understanding of plant community dynamics in  
fragmented landscapes“  
01/2008 Diploma in geo-ecology at University of Potsdam  
▪ Grade: “mit Auszeichnung” (1.0), engl.: “with honors”  
▪ Diploma-thesis: “Modeling coexistence of plant functional types in grassland  
communities: the role of above- and below-ground competition”

- 2000 – 2008      Student of geo-ecology at the University of Potsdam  
Main subjects:  
▪   Modelling in geo-ecology and hydrology  
▪   Ecological modelling, plant ecology and conservation biology
- 1991 – 1999      Heinrich-Heine-Gymnasium in Ilsenburg  
Abitur, grade: “sehr gut” (1.1), engl.: “very good”

## Teaching

- 2014              Course for PhD-students on generalized and linear mixed effects models in “R”  
Helmholtz-Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ
- 2012 – 2013      Course for PhD-students in statistical data analysis using the software “R”,  
Helmholtz-Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ
- 2011              Graduate course in individual-based ecological modeling, University of Potsdam
- 2010              Undergraduate seminar on conservation biology, University of Potsdam
- 2009              Teaching assistant for a graduate field course on plant population biology,  
experimental design and data analysis in R, University of Potsdam
- 2009 – 2011      Lectures on “Climate change and conservation biology” and “Ecology of plant  
communities”, University of Potsdam

## Scholarships

- 2010 – 2011      Scholarship of the University of Potsdam for participation in the “Junior Teaching  
Professionals” qualification program for university didactic
- 2005              Scholarship of the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs (BMBF) for participation  
in the ASA program for development education

## Internships

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| 03/2006 – 05/2006 | Potsdam-Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK), Department of Biosphere dynamics <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Task: Simulations using the DGVM LPJ and analysis of simulation results</li></ul>   |
| 01/2006 – 03/2006 | Helmholtz Center for Environmental Research (UFZ), Department of Ecological Modeling <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Task: Development and Analysis of a beech forest model</li></ul>   |
| 04/2005 – 12/2005 | Participation in the ASA-program of the InWent gGmbH for development education <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ 3-month internship in India with the NGO “Karwar Rural Women and Children Development Society”</li><li>▪ Implementation of a small scale research project on rural development and sustainable agriculture in south-west India</li></ul> |

## Skills

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| Languages:   | English (fluent)<br>Spanish (basic)<br>Russian (basic)<br>French (basic) |
| Programming: | R, MatLab<br>C++/C<br>Delphi/Turbo-Pascal                                |
| Software:    | ArcGIS / ArcView<br>WinBUGS / OpenBUGS                                   |
| Other:       | Training for moderation and facilitation with Greenpeace                 |

## Volunteering

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| Since 2012  | Greenpeace Leipzig<br>Moderator and trainer for Greenpeace Germany   |
| 2000 – 2012 | Greenpeace Potsdam   |
| 2006 – 2009 | ASA-volunteers representative within the Global Education Network (GLEN) of young Europeans  |
| 2005 – 2009 | ASA-climate initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Presentations and workshops on climate change, global justice and international climate policy at seminars of the ASA-program</li></ul> |