




PERSONAL INFORMATION

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WORK EXPERIENCE

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- Since 3/2015 **Post Doc-position**
 University of Vienna at Austrian Educational Competence Centre for Biology
<http://aeccbio.univie.ac.at/>
 Teaching in Biology Teacher Education, Research on Biology Teacher Knowledge, Evaluation of learning tasks
- 3/2014-3/2015 **Project leader for the development and testing of learning tasks based on competencies for Austrian vocational schools in agriculture (half time)**
 Teacher College for Agricultural & Environmental Education www.agrarumweltpaedagogik.ac.at
 Designing the process of task developing with teachers and school officials from all over Austria; designing the evaluation of the learning tasks in schools. Managing the whole project.
- 1-6/2014 **Education project for ORF “Schule fürs Leben – das Experiment”**
 Österreichischer Rundfunk (Austrian Broadcast Association <http://tv.orf.at/thema/>) – videos can be watched at: <http://www.christoph-feurstein.at/2014/index.php/documentaries/reportagen-ansehen/103-schule-fuers-leben-das-experiment-thema-spezial>
AWARDS: Silver Winner at The 5th Cannes Corporate Media & TV Awards 2014 in Category Education: <http://www.cannes-corporate.com/en/winners2014.php>
Prälat-Unger-Preis of CARITAS for Christoph Feurstein 2014 <http://www.caritas-wien.at/ueber-uns/praelat-ungar-preis/>
 Developing a pedagogical concept, working as pedagogue with two different schools (Gymnasium & Neue Mittelschule) showing commonalities and the difficulties of being a student in Austria
 Managing coordinator for pedagogical team with ORF team
- Since 1/2014 **Project: Vineyard herbarium**
 Making a scientific herbarium for wine grower Jurtschitsch (<http://jurtschitsch.com/>)
 Aim is to document the diversity of the flora of a famous slowfood Riesling vineyard at Zoebinger Heiligenstein and to use herbarium for communication to wine consumers.
- 2013 **Paternity leave from 23rd January – 23rd July**
- 2011-2014 **Lecturer**
 Teacher College of Lower Austria (PH Noe) www.ph-noe.ac.at
 ▪ Courses: Basic Concepts of Ecology (lecture and excursion), Diversity of Plants, Animals & Microorganisms (practical & seminar)
 Teaching in Teacher Education
- 2006-2012 **Science Education Researcher (full time since 2008)**

- University of Vienna – located at the Austrian Educational Competence Centre for Biology
<http://aeccbio.univie.ac.at/> - Austria
- Development of Professional Development Model for In-Service Teacher Education; Organising and evaluating Professional Development of Biology Teachers, Team Leader of PD group
[Educational Research, Professional Development of Teachers](#)
- 2005-2007 **Research Assistant (part time)**
University of Innsbruck: research project “Bioregions as a Model for Regional Sustainable Development” www.uibk.ac.at/berglandwirtschaft - Austria
- Coaching of the testing region “Niederösterreichische Eisenstrasse” and conducting action research of the development process as well as work with geographical information systems (GIS) for the whole project.
[R&D in Regional Development in the Context of Organic Farming](#)
- Since 2004 **Lecturer**
University of Vienna - Austria
- Courses in the Ecology Curriculum and the Biology Teacher Education Curriculum
[Teaching in Tertiary Education](#)
- 2004-2005 **Person in Charge for Nature Conservation & Environmental Education (half time)**
Umweltdachverband (Umbrella Organisation for Austrian Environmental NGOs)
www.umweltdachverband.at and Forum Umweltbildung (Forum for Environmental Education)
www.umweltbildung.at
- Nature Conservation and Biodiversity Expertise, Biology Education
[Nature Conservation, Environmental Education, NGO](#)
- 2003-2005 **Supervisor of Schools in EU-COMENIUS3-Project (part time)**
SEED “School Development through Environmental Education” www.seed-eu.net
- Supervision of participating schools in the network
 - Documenting eco-schools and school projects in web database
 - Organising and conducting four Thematic Workshops Environmental Education & Education for Sustainable Development in Reichenau/Austria, Frascati/Italy, Barcelona/Catalonia-Spain, Palermo/Italy (together with international team)
[European Cooperation in Education](#)
- 2001-2010 **Project based Employment as Team Leader**
Austrian Childhood Cancer Aid Organisation www.kinderkrebshilfe.at
- E.g. Conceptual planning and management of eight experiential learning and psychotherapeutic summer camps (Friendship-Camp 1) for the aftercare of children (aged 8 to 13) with a former or current cancer illness. Composition and direction of the interdisciplinary team (psychosocial, pedagogical, therapeutic & medical staff members); collaboration with other directors of camps for the superordinate conception of the aftercare
[Social and Therapeutic Outdoor Education](#)
- 1999 **Surveying and mapping the habitats of the EU Fauna-Flora-Habitat directive**
Umweltdachverband www.umweltdachverband.at & federal state Lower Austria
- Mapping habitats (EU directive 92/43/EWG Appendix I-habitats) at Natura2000 site “Ötscher-Tormäuer” in Lower Austria, GIS-work, work in FFH-database
[Biology Fieldwork](#)
- 1994-2008 **Pedagogue (project based employment)**
Freiraum Ges.m.b.H. <http://www.dieprojektwoche.at>
- [Pedagogue in Formal and Informal Educational Settings](#)
- 1994-2014 **Many more Project Based Employments in Research, Pre-Service and In-Service Teacher**

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 2008-2013 **Dissertation in Ecology and Biology Education** 8
 Austrian Educational Competence Centre for Biology <http://aeccbio.univie.ac.at/> at University of Vienna – Austria
- Research topic: “Pedagogical Content Knowledge of Biology Teachers and Its Development in Professional Development” – Supervisor Univ.-Prof. Dr. Günther Pass
- 2007 **Research Visit at Freie Universität Berlin (5 weeks)**
 Didaktik der Biologie an der Freien Universität Berlin <http://www.bcp.fu-berlin.de/biologie/arbeitsgruppen/didaktik/index.html>
- Cooperation with Prof. Dr. Dirk Krüger & Dr. Sabine Marsch
- 2005-2007 **Master Study: Geographical Information System GIS** 7
 University of Salzburg www.unigis.at - Austria
- 2002 **Study trip to Costa Rica**
 University of Vienna – Austria & Fieldstation la Gamba – Golfito – Costa Rica
- Research project “Distribution and frequency of palms in Bosque Esquinas”
- 2001-2002 **Course for Experiential Outdoor Education**
 Freiraum Akademie c/o Freiraum Ges.m.b.H. www.outdoorlehrgang.at/ - Austria
- Outdoor Educator with focus on youth outdoor education: 350 hours – 24 ECTS
- 1998 **Snowboard Assistant Teacher**
 University Sports Institute, University of Vienna – Austria
- Diploma at level A2 – advanced teacher for beginners
- 1993-2003 **Study of Ecology**
 University of Vienna www.univie.ac.at - Austria
- Diploma Thesis: “Comparative Analysis of Landscape Structure and Vegetation of Two Viticultural Landscapes in Lower Austria” – Keywords: landscape ecology, vegetation ecology, plant community, vegetation complex, landscape structure, biodiversity
 - Supervisors: Univ-Ass. Dr. Thomas Wrbka & Univ.-Prof. Mag. Dr. Georg Grabherr
- 1994 **Course for educational games**
 ‘Freiraum Ges.m.b.H.’ www.dieprojektwoche.at - Austria
- Games in pedagogical work, theoretical and practical course content
- 1985-1993 **Matura completed at lower and upper secondary school**
 Bundes-Real-Gymnasium Krems, 3500 Krems, Ringstrasse 33 - Austria
- Other skills** JUGGLING: Since 1991 juggler and equilibrist; Over 200 performances in Austria, Switzerland, Germany, Czech Republic, Japan;
 Workshops for children, classes, schools, teachers, teacher educators, scientists, managers, journalists, ... co-founder of “Kremser Jonglierwerkstatt“ (treasurer)
- VOLUNTARY WORK in COMMUNITY:
 2005 – 2010: member of the Local Agenda 21 Group of Krems; co-founder of the Platform for Sustainable Development in Krems
- 2012 – on-going: engagement in local nature conservation project “Revitalizing the historic pasture of Zoebing” – project approved for 2015 (Lower Austrian Landscape Fund) (~10.000€)
 2014 – founder and director of a local nature conservation group
<http://noe.naturschutzbund.at/kamptal>