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Pedologist

### Professional experience

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| Since 2018 - present | Head of Research area 1 (RA1) “Landscape Functioning”<br>Scientific staff RA1 “Landscape Functioning”<br><br>Head of Working Group Landscape Pedology<br><br>Head of Working Group Silicon Biogeochemistry<br><br>Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF)<br>Müncheberg |
| 2004-2017            | Head of the Institute of Soil Landscape Research, at Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF), Müncheberg  |
| since 2004           | Professorship for geocology, University of Potsdam  |
| 1999-2004            | Senior scientist at the Institute of Biomathematics and Biometrics, GSF, Neuherberg   |
| 1992-1999            | Scientist at the Institute of Soil Science and Land Evaluation, University Hohenheim  |

### Education

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| 2002 | Habilitation / Venia legendi for Soil Science, University of Hohenheim, Habilitation Thesis: Biogeochemistry of forested catchments and its pedogenic context          |
| 1992 | Doctor of Agricultural Science, University of Hohenheim, 1992<br>Dissertation Thesis: Pattern development and matter transport in soil landscapes of Baden-Württemberg |
| 1985 | Diploma, Agrobiology, University of Hohenheim  |

### Service to the scientific community

- Deutsche Bodenkundliche Gesellschaft (DBG)
- American Geophysical Union (AGU)
- Soil Science Society of America (SSSA)
- International Society of Aeolian Research (ISAR)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Protistologie (DGP)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geowissenschaften (DGG)

- Deutsche Quartärvereinigung (DEUQUA)
- Bundesverband Boden (BVB)