

Curriculum Vitae Franziska Schmid

Personal Profile

Present Position: Partner and Senior Consultant of KEK-CDC

Education: Dr. phil.-nat., dipl. Geographie, University of Bern
Certificate of Advanced Studies in Evaluation, University of Bern

Date of birth: 10 August 1974

Languages: German (mother tongue), English, Spanish (fluent), French (good)

Key Qualifications

20 years of work experience:

- Expertise and strong interest in the areas of disaster risk reduction, climate change adaption, sustainable resource management.
- Evaluations and reviews of programmes and projects; provision of evaluation related services, e.g. indicator development.
- Formulation and editing of policy documents
- Knowledge management, capitalisations of results and projects, synthesis reports, thematic backstopping.
- Designing and facilitating participatory processes (development projects/ land use planning, risk dialogues)
- Facilitation of workshops, group meetings and conferences.
- Project development and management, strategic planning and strategy development.

Auslandserfahrungen im Arbeitskontext

Switzerland, Bolivia, Tajikistan, Mongolia, Jordan, Central America

Selected mandates

- 2024/25: Facilitation and analysis of products and processes at the Civil Engineering Department of the City of Zurich.
- Seit 2023: Risk dialogue Chisetal. Concept and facilitation of a participatory process in the municipality of Konolfingen. Mandate by the Civil Engineering Departement, Canton of Berne.
- Since 2023: Backstopping to Federal Office for Environment (FOEN) in the area of forest fire management: strategic planning, conceptualising activities, workshop facilitation.

- Since 2017: Revision of flood protection legislation. Writing and editing the dispatch directed to the Federal Council in close cooperation with technical and legal experts. Mandated by FOEN.
- 2023: Backstopping to the multilateral process in the frame of the SFDRR MTR and the UN GA resolution, mandated by skat, on behalf of Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and the inter-agency working group DRR.
- 2022: Proposal writing: “Enhancing Country Resilience and Improving Disaster and Crisis Management in Jordan” (teamwork with national expert), mandated by UNDP Jordan, 2022.
- 2021: Swiss Input Paper for the European Forum on Disaster Risk Reduction. Compiling and editing on behalf of and together with the inter-agency working group DRR. Mandated by FOEN.
- 2022: Midterm review on the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Action. Compiling and editing the [Swiss voluntary national report](#) on behalf of and together with the inter-agency working group DRR. Mandated by FOEN, SDC and Federal Office for Civil Protection (FOCP).
- 2020-2022: Technical support to the development of an early warning system on drought: Editing the credit proposal and the dispatch directed to the Federal Council, project management, facilitating workshops. Approved by the [Federal Council on 18th of May 2022](#). Mandated by FOEN.
- 2020-2022: Report on forest fire prevention and control. Compiling and editing the report as answer to a postulate (from national council), facilitating of workshops, interviews with stakeholders. Approved by the [Federal Council on 26th of January 2022](#). Mandated by FOEN.
- 2020: External review of the programme “Disaster Risk Governance in Central America”. Mandated by SDC.
- 2019-2020: [Synthesis of evaluations – DRR in a post-disaster context](#). Mandated by Swiss Red Cross (SRC) and Swiss DRR NGO Platform.
- 2018-2019: Revision and update of the [“DRR and CCA Indicators Toolbox”](#). Mandated by Swiss Red Cross and Swiss DRR NGO Platform.
- 2018-2019: Target E of Sendai Framework for Action: Evaluation of national and cantonal DRR strategies. Reporting to the UNDRR. Mandated by the PLANAT.
- 2017: Technical review of documents and tools elaborated by the DRR Programme Bolivia. Workshops facilitation. Mandated by FOEN.
- 2017: Report on the Optimisation of Early Warning and Alerting of Natural Hazards. Compiling and editing the report and the credit proposal directed to the Federal Council. Mandated by LAINAT.
- 2016: DRR Effectiveness Assessment in Tajikistan. Mandated by SDC.
- 2015: Concept for the assessment of resilience in Central America and the Caribbean, and formulation of indicators. Mandated by SRC.
- 2010: Effectiveness assessment of DRR projects in Mongolia. Mandated by SDC.

Major Professional Experience

Present	KEK – CDC, Zürich, Switzerland Partner and Senior Consultant
2013 – 2024	Director of private company RisikoWissen Services in formulating policy documents, elaborating strategies, evaluations and reviews, knowledge management for federal and cantonal administrations in Switzerland, NGOs, consulting firms. See list of selected recent mandates.

- 2010 - 2013 Steering Committee Intervention against Natural Hazards (LAINAT)
Deputy Director
- 2009 - 2010 Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), La Paz, Bolivia
Programme Officer Disaster Risk Reduction
- 2009 - 2010 Wissensmanagement Umwelt GmbH, Zurich, Switzerland
Consultant
- 2004 -2009 Institute of Geography, University of Bern, Switzerland
Scientific Assistant
- 2001 -2004 Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research, Zurich
Scientific Officer

Advanced training

- Programme evaluation, Zentrum für universitäre Weiterbildung der Universität Bern, Mai 2021
- Introduction Onlinemoderation, Corinne Sprecher und Nadia von Holzen, April 2021
- Stakeholdermanagement, Eidg. Personalamt, February 2012
- Training for Moderators, agridea, November 2010

Membership

- SEVAL – Swiss Evaluation Society www.seval.ch (member)
- PLANAT – National Platform Natural Hazards www.planat.ch; extra-parliamentary commission (member, elected by the Federal Council)
- Working group and consultative group DRR in Switzerland (member, as representative of PLANAT)
- Swiss Humanitarian Aid Unit, Specialised Group DRR, environment climate and (member)
- FAN – Fachleute Naturgefahren (member)