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Education

1987–1990	Dr. rer. pol., University of Basel
	Dissertation: Information Efficiency in Majority Decisions
	Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Peter Bernholz
1995	Habilitation, University of Basel
1986	Degree in Economics (lic. rer. pol.), University of Basel
1985	Degree in Actuarial Science (dipl. vers. math.), University of Basel
1984	Degree in Mathematics (dipl. math.), University of Basel

Professional Activities

2006–present	Professor of Macroeconomics: Innovation and Policy, ETH Zurich
Fall term 2012	Visiting Professor, Bendheim Center of Finance, Princeton University
1995–2006	Professor, University of Heidelberg
1994–1995	Oberassistent, Prof. Dr. Martin Hellwig, University of Basel
1993–1994	Visiting Scholar, University of California, Los Angeles
1992–1993	Research Fellow, McKinsey Global Institute
1992	Oberassistent, Prof. Dr. Martin Hellwig, University of Basel
1990-1992	Consulting, McKinsey & Co., Switzerland
1987–1990	Teaching and Research Assistant, Prof. Dr. Peter Bernholz, University of Basel
1986–1987	Software Development, National-Versicherung, Basel

Current Leadership and Fellow Positions

International:

- Member and Former Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action, Berlin
- Research Fellow of CEPR (Center of Economic Policy Research), London
- · Research Fellow of CESifo, Munich
- Research Fellow of IZA, Bonn

National / ETH Zurich:

- Professor of Macroeconomics: Innovation and Policy
- Co-Director of KOF Swiss Economic Institute, Zurich
- Founding Member of CER-ETH Center of Economic Research at ETH, Zurich
- Member of Kommission für Wirtschaftspolitik, Bern

Research Areas

Macroeconomic Thinking and Economic Policy

- · Macroeconomic Modeling
- · Money Creation, Monetary Architectures, and Digital Currencies
- Crisis Management and Resilience of Financial Institutions
- Aggregate Risk Management and Insurance against Banking Crises
- · Fiscal Policy and Government Debt

Innovation, the Engines of Growth, and Long-term Well-being

- · Basic Research, Innovation, Growth Policy and Innovation Systems
- Climate Change and International Treaties
- Design of Antibiotic R&D Markets

Design of New Institutions

- New Collective Decision Rules
- · Governance of Blockchains
- Incentive Contracts for Politicians and Dual Democracy
- General Equilibrium Theory and Group Formation

Technology Development

- Staking Models on Blockchains
- Governance Algorithms of Proof-of-Stake Blockchains

Recent Honors

European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE) Award for Outstanding Publication 2021: Long-term Climate Treaties with a Refunding Club, *Environmental and Resource Economics 80*, 2021, 511–552 (with Noëmi Hummel and Ralph Winkler)

2017 City of Basel Science Award