



## Curriculum Vitae

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### Affiliation

Faculty of Science and Technology, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano

### Current position

Associate Professor (since January 2021)

### Education

- 04/2018: Italian National Habilitation for Full Professor (Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale Fascia I, settore concorsuale 05/A1 Botanica)
- 04/2017: Italian National Habilitation for Associate Professor (Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale Fascia II, settore concorsuale 05/A1 Botanica)
- 11/2016: Dr. habil. (Habilitation in Botany) – University of Regensburg, Germany
- 01/2007: PhD (Dr. rer. nat.) – University of Giessen, Germany
- 10/2002: Diploma of Biology – University of Freiburg, Germany

### Academic experience

- Junior Professor (01/2018-01/2021) – Free University of Bozen-Bolzano
- Assistant Professor (07/2013-01/2018) – Free University of Bozen-Bolzano
- Postdoc (03/2009-06/2013) - University of Bayreuth, Germany
- Assistant Scientist (05/2006-02/2009) – University of Frankfurt, Germany
- Research Assistant (04/2003-04/2006) – University of Giessen, Germany

### Teaching appointments

- Biologie von Pflanze und Tier (course of the BSc 'Agricultural, Food and Mountain Environmental Sciences')
- OFA Biologie (course of the BSc 'Agricultural, Food and Mountain Environmental Sciences')
- Applied Botany (module of the course 'Nature Conservation and Management' of the MSc 'Environmental Management of Mountain Areas')
- Fundamentals of Ecology (propaedeuticum of the MSc 'Environmental Management of Mountain Areas')
- Interdisciplinary Excursion (course of the MSc 'Environmental Management of Mountain Areas')
- Valutazione delle alterazioni degli ambienti terrestri (module of the Level II Master 'Gestione sostenibile del Rischio Idro-geologico in ambienti montani')

### Research interests

The ultimate goal of her research is to predict effects of land-use, environmental and climate variation on plant species and ecosystems and to preserve biodiversity and manage natural resources in a sustainable way. Her research embraces methods from molecular biology to biogeography and covers grasslands, shrublands, forests and high mountain ecosystems. She uses monitoring, experimental approaches and modelling and is specialized in functional plant research, studying plant-environment relationships, intraspecific trait variation and ecotype formation. With her research group, she currently works on biodiversity dynamics in the Italian Alps, endemic plant species of the Dolomites, plants in climatic refugia, plant functional variation along environmental gradients, forest adaptation to climate change in Europe, South Africa and the Himalaya and on ecosystem restoration in Europe and Latin America.