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EDUCATION

Since 11/2019	Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (Berlin, DE) Ph.D. Candidate, Geography Focus areas: Climate, Land Use, and Environmental Policy, Sustainability Topic: Implementation and Governance of Natural Climate Solutions Supervisors: Prof. Sabine Fuss, Prof. Jonas Nielsen
2015 – 2017	Hertie School of Governance (Berlin, DE) Master of Public Policy Thesis: Evaluating the Effectiveness of Agricultural Commodity Standards in Avoiding Deforestation & Promoting Restoration & Sustainable Forest Management Supervisors: Prof. Christian Flachsland, Prof. Sabine Fuss
2016	Tsinghua University (Beijing, CN) Exchange semester, Master of Administration in International Development
2009 – 2013	Brandeis University (Waltham, USA) Bachelor of Science, Biology and Anthropology; Minor in Chemistry

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

04/2020 – present	Integrative Research Institute on Transformations of Human-Environment Systems (Berlin, DE) Doctoral Researcher, Working Group on Integrative Geography
12/2019 – present	Mercator Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change (Berlin, DE) Visiting Researcher, Working Group on Applied Sustainability Science
06 – 08/2020	International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (Laxenburg, AT) Research Assistant, Young Scientists Summer Program, Ecosystems Services and Management, RESTORE+ Project
10/2016 – 05/2017	Mercator Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change (Berlin, DE) Student Researcher, Working Group on Sustainable Resource Management and Global Change
09 – 12/2016	World Wildlife Fund (Beijing, CN) Research Assistant, Global Green Shift Initiative
05 – 08/2012	Charles River Watershed Association (Weston, USA) Research Assistant, Science and Conservation Program
06 – 07/2010	Klinikum Rechts der Isar, (Munich, DE) Research Assistant, Department of Radiology

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

2019 – present	Elsa-Neumann-Scholarship for up to three years of full-time doctoral studies
2009 – 2013	Brandeis University Dean's Scholarship
2010	Max Kade Grant for undergraduate summer research

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OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

06/2016 – Present Climate Focus (Berlin, DE)

Senior Land Use Consultant, 02/2020 – present Land Use Consultant, 06/2016 – 01/2020

Provide advisory services on climate change and environmental topics with a focus on forests, agriculture, and other land-use related policies, governance, and activities; clients include governments, foundations, and multilateral institutions

01/2017 – 10/2019 New York Declaration Forests (NYDF) Progress Assessment (Berlin, DE)

Lead Author and Project Manager, 11/2018 – 10/2019 Partnership Coordinator and Co-Author, 01/2017 – 10/2018

Managed a coalition of 25 major civil society and research institutions and

organized high level meetings and events

Oversaw team members, subcontractors, and led work on technical aspects of the

assessment including research, analysis, and drafting of annual reports

Advised the United Nations (UN) Secretariat of the Global Platform for the NYDF

12/2018, 11/2017 UN Climate Change Conference (Katowice, PN, Bonn, DE)

Observer and Delegate for Climate Focus

Representative for the NYDF Progress Assessment

Organized an annual side event on forests

06/2013 – 07/2015 United States Peace Corps (Zondwako, SZ)

Community Health Educator

Lived and worked in a cross-cultural setting with local counterparts and leaders to build capacity within a rural Swazi community and develop health-related

programming, including issues at the climate nexus (e.g. clean water, food security)

PRESENTATIONS

2020	Supply Chain Research Fund symposium, Invited presenter, available at:
	https://www.supplychainresearch.eco/symposium (online)
2019	Secure rights for forest futures: closing the implementation gap in forest tenure
	security, Digital webinar moderator, available at: https://bit.ly/2LCyPuC (online)
2018	Supporting Country Implementation Actions to Achieve NYDF Goals, Invited side
	event presenter at the 24th session of the Conference of the Parties (Katowice, PL)
2018	Protecting the World's Forests: Are we on track? Invited side event presenter at the
	24th session of the Conference of the Parties (Katowice, PL)
2018	Sustainability: A question of semantics or action? Invited panelist at the Harvard
	University German American Conference (Cambridge, USA)
2018	Reflecting on the Past, Envisioning the Future, Invited panelist at the Brandeis
	University Center for German & European Studies (Waltham, USA)
2018	Nature for Development, Podcast interview for the UN Development Programme
	Learning for Nature Platform, available at: https://bit.ly/2FwE9NK (online)
2017	Engaging with the Global Platform of the NYDF, Presenter for webinar (online)
2017	Mutually supportive? The NYDF Platform, Bonn Challenge Barometer, and Global
	Restoration Council, Invited panelist at the Global Landscapes Forum (Bonn, DE)
2017	Green Seeds: A Grassroots Approach to Sustainable Urbanization, Presenter at the
	annual Global Public Policy Network Conference (Paris, FR)

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LANGUAGES & SKILLS

English (native), German (fluent)

R, Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Excel, Adobe Photoshop

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Member, Global Restoration Observatory, Working Group on Context, 2020 – present Member, Technical Advisory Committee, United Nations Development Programme Equator Prize. 2020

VOLUNTEERING & INITATIVES

07/2019 – 03/2020	Paten in Aktion (Berlin, DE) Provided mentorship to an 8-year-old boy in the city foster care system
01/2010 – 12/2012	Brandeis Students for Environmental Action (Waltham, MA) Initiative Leader, 2011 Food Policy Committee Member, 2010 Organized environmental education and awareness events
01/2010 — 01/2011	Students for a Just and Stable Future (Boston, MA) Lobbied for a clean energy bill for the state of Massachusetts
07 – 08/2010	ARCHELON Conservation Society (Kalo Nero, GR) Tagged turtles and nests, educated tourists on sea turtles, communicated with local residents about ongoing activities

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- **Schulte, I.**, Landholm, D.M., Bakhtary, H., Czaplicki Cabezas, S., Siantidis, S., Manirajah, S.M., Streck, C. (2020). Supporting Smallholder Farmers for a Sustainable Cocoa Sector: Exploring the Motivations and Role of Farmers in the Effective Implementation of Supply Chain Sustainability in Ghana and Côte d'Ivoire. Meridian Institute, Washington, DC.
- **Schulte, I.**, Bakhtary, H., Kleymann, H., et al. (2019). The Critical Role of Policies for Deforestation- and Conversion-free Supply Chains: Background and discussion paper. Prepared for World Wildlife Fund.
- **Schulte, I.**, Streck, C., Roe, S., et al. (2019). Protecting and Restoring Forests: A Story of Large Commitments Yet Limited Progress. New York Declaration on Forests Five-Year Assessment Report. Climate Focus (coordinator and editor). Accessible at forestdeclaration.org.
- Conway, D., **Schulte, I.**, Streck, C., et al. (2018). Improving Governance to Protect Forests: Empowering People and Communities, Strengthening Laws and Institutions New York Declaration on Forests Goal 10 Assessment Report. Prepared in cooperation with the NYDF Assessment Partners with support from the Climate and Land Use Alliance.
- Haupt, F., Koenig, S., Streck, C., and **Schulte, I.** (2018). Drivers of Change: How Effective are Supply-Chain Commitments? Analysis of the Brazilian Beef and Soy Sectors, and the Colombian Beef and Dairy Sectors. Prepared for the Meridian Institute.
- Haupt, F., Bakhtary, H., Schulte, I., Galt, H., and Streck, C. (2018). Progress on Corporate Commitments

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- and their Implementation. Prepared in collaboration with CDP and the Rainforest Alliance on behalf of the Tropical Forest Alliance 2020.
- Chagas, T., Streck, C., Galt, H., Zwick, S., **Schulte, I.**, Kroeger, A., and Thompson, A. (2018). Impacts of Supply Chain Commitments on the Forest Frontier. Prepared in collaboration with Forest Trends on behalf of the Tropical Forest Alliance 2020.
- Haupt, F., Streck, C., Watson, C., **Schulte, I**., and Behm, K. (2017). Progress on the New York Declaration on Forests: Finance for Forests Goals 8 and 9 Assessment Report. Prepared with the New York Declaration on Forest Assessment Partners with support from the Climate and Land Use Alliance.
- Haupt, F., Streck, C., Bakhtary, H., Behm, K., Kroeger, A., and **Schulte, I**. (2017). Zero-deforestation Commodity Supply Chains by 2020: Are We on Track? Background Paper prepared for the Prince of Wales' International Sustainability Unit.
- Climate Focus. (2017). Commodities and Forests Agenda 2020: Ten priorities to remove tropical deforestation from commodity supply chains. Prepared on behalf of the Tropical Forest Alliance 2020.
- Streck, C., Haupt, F., Roe, S., Behm, K., Kroeger, A., and **Schulte, I.** (2016). Progress on the New York Declaration on Forests: Eliminating Deforestation from the Production of Agricultural Commodities Goal 2 Assessment Report. Prepared by in cooperation with the NYDF Assessment Coalition with support from the Climate and Land Use Alliance and TFA 2020.
- Streck, C., Haupt, F., Roe, S., Behm, K., Conway, D., **Schulte, I.**, and Kroeger, A. (2016). Progress on the New York Declaration on Forests Achieving Collective Forest Goals. Updates on Goals 1-10. Prepared by Climate Focus in cooperation with the NYDF Assessment Coalition with support from the Climate and Land Use Alliance and the Tropical Forest Alliance 2020.