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CURRICULUM VITAE

Date of birth: 08th June 1988

Place of birth: Berlin

Nationality: German / Spanish

EDUCATION

- 2017 - **PhD candidate**
Thesis: “Effects of climate induced tree die-back on invertebrate communities (CLIMTREE)”
Leibniz Institute of Freshwater Ecology and Inland Fisheries (IGB) Berlin
Supervisors: Dr. Michael T. Monaghan, IGB Berlin
Prof. Dr. Justyna Wolinska, IGB Berlin
- 2012 - **M.Sc., Biodiversity, Ecology and Evolution**
2016 Focus: Animal ecology and nature conservation
Thesis: „Effects of *Rubus* control on arthropod abundance and diversity of *Scalesia* forest sites on Santa Cruz, Galápagos”
Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Supervisors: Ass.-Prof. Dr. Christian H. Schulze, Universität Wien
PD Dr. Matthias Waltert, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Final grade: **1.2**
- 2014 **ERASMUS, Universität Wien**
- 2008 - **B.Sc., Biology**
2012 Freie Universität Berlin
Thesis: „Genetic and Morphological Characterization of European *Rhithrogena* (Ephemeroptera: Heptageniidae)”
Supervisor: Dr. Michael T. Monaghan, IGB Berlin
Final grade: **1.6**
- 2007 ¹**Abitur at the Hildegard-Wegscheider-Oberschule, Berlin**

¹ Diploma from German secondary school examination for university admission

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CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Oral presentations

- 2016 A. Cimadom, **P.L. Schmidt Yáñez**, C.H. Schulze, H. Jäger & S. Tebbich. „Living at the edge: The impact of an introduced parasite and habitat change on the breeding success of Darwin’s finches”. **53rd Annual meeting of the Association for Tropical Ecology and Nature Conservation, Montpellier, France.**
- 2016 **P.L. Schmidt Yáñez**, C.H. Schulze, L. Baert, S. Tebbich, A. Cimadom & M. Waltert. „Effects of *Rubus* control on arthropod abundance and diversity of *Scalesia* forest sites on Santa Cruz, Galápagos”. **29th Annual meeting of the Society for Tropical Ecology (GTÖ), Göttingen, Germany.**

Poster presentations

- 2017 **P.L. Schmidt Yáñez** et al. “The CLIMTREE Project: Ecological and socioeconomic impacts of climate-induced tree die-backs in highland forests.” **2nd International Conference on Forests, Neuschönau, Germany.**
- 2016 **P.L. Schmidt Yáñez**, A. Cimadom, S. Tebbich, H. Jäger, L. Baert, H. Herrera, M. Waltert & C.H. Schulze. „Effects of *Rubus* control on arthropod abundance and diversity of *Scalesia* forest sites on Santa Cruz, Galápagos”. **53rd Annual meeting of the Association for Tropical Ecology and Nature Conservation, Montpellier, France.**

Workshops

- 2016 “Fundamentals of Spatial Ecology.” Instructor: Dr. Alice C. Hughes at the **53rd Annual meeting of the Association for Tropical Ecology and Nature Conservation, Montpellier, France.**

FUNDING

- 2015 PROMOS grant of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) for the fieldwork of the master’s thesis ca 2.500 €
Stipend of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF) for the master’s thesis ca 5.000 €
- 2014 Finalist for the GEO magazine stipend (10.000 €) with the project :“ [With the Eyes of the Toucan](#)“
- 2014 Multiple allowances for excursion travel expenses ca 1.500 €
- 2010 Internship at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama ca 1.000 €
Travel grant of the German Academic Exchange Service for the internship in Panama, ca 1.800 €

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2017 Teaching assistant in “Experimental and Theoretical Evolutionary Ecology” at Free University Berlin, field and laboratory part.
- 2010-2013 Student assistant for zoology and animal systematics at the Freie Universität Berlin and the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
- 2010-2014 Student and Research assistant for several excursions and field courses on limnology, ecology and zoology in Germany and Italy

FIELD EXPERIENCE

- 2013-2017 Excursions, field courses and internships in Germany, Austria, Italy, Spain, Albania, Montenegro, Corsica, Tanzania, Costa Rica, Panama, Indonesia, the Seychelles and Galapagos Islands.
Topics: Limnology, (tropical, Mediterranean, marine) ecology, (insect, bird, plant, coral, marine fish) diversity, invasive species, (inter)national nature conservation
- 2013 1-month field course at the Amani Nature Reserve, Tanzania with the Tropical Biology Association (TBA).
Topic: “Tropical Ecology and Nature Conservation”
- 2010 Three-month internship at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama
Topic: “Effects of temperature change on calyptraeid gastropods.”

SKILLS

Languages

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| German | mother tongue |
| Spanish | mother tongue |
| English | fluent (CEFR C1 certificate) |
| French | fluent |

Technical Skills

Statistics with R (ANOVAs, GLMs, NMDS Analyses)
Sequence analyses (CodonCode Aligner, Mesquite, PhyML)
Image processing (Adobe Photoshop, Indesign)
Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, Access, Powerpoint)

Various Skills

Driving license class B
Diving license (PADI Open Water Diver)

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Personal Interests

(Macro) photography, birding, cycling, kite surfing, wave surfing, the tropics
