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Current Positions

2010 – present	Head of Research Coordination and Economic Education, Swiss National Bank
2008 – present	Director, Swiss National Bank
2010 – present	Member of the Executive Committee of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (SSES)
2010 – present	Member of the Ausschuss für Geldtheorie und Geldpolitik, Verein für Socialpolitik
2004 – present	Member of the Steering Committee of the European Area Business Cycle Network (EABCN)
2013 – present	Lecturer on Advanced Macroeconomics, University of Lucerne

Previous Positions

1994 – 2011	Lecturer on Econometrics, University of St. Gallen
2004 – 2010	Head of the former Research Unit, Swiss National Bank
2005 – 2006	Deputy Director, Research Unit, Swiss National Bank (Head of Unit)
2002 – 2004	Assistant Director, Research Unit, Swiss National Bank (Head: T. J. Jordan)
2001 – 2001	Economic Advisor, Research Unit, Swiss National Bank (Head: T. J. Jordan)
2000 – 2001	Lecturer on Econometrics, University of Basel
1999 – 2000	Senior Economist, Research Unit, Swiss National Bank (Head: T. J. Jordan)
1996 – 1999	Advisor for Empirical Economic Research at the Department of Economics, University of St. Gallen
1994 – 1996	Research Assistant for Econometrics, Swiss Institute for International Economics and Applied Economic Research (SIAW-HSG), University of St. Gallen (Prof. Dr. G. Kirchgässner)

1994 – 1999	Professor for Economics (University of Applied Sciences Western Switzerland)
1993 – 1995	Research Project of the Federal Office for Social Security Project: Generational Accounting for Switzerland, Redistribution between Generations in the Social Security System and the Public Health System (with Dr. M. Wechsler)
1991 – 1993	Research Project of the Swiss National Science Foundation for the promotion of scientific research Program: Changes of Life Style and Social Security in Switzerland (NFP29) Project: Social Security after 2000: Financial Perspectives and Scenarios for Switzerland (with Dr. M. Wechsler)
1990 – 1991	Research Stay at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales (HEC) of Paris (Jouy-en-Josas), financed by the Swiss National Science Foundation Research Project: Theoretical Money Demand Model (with Prof. Dr. B. Dumas)
1986 – 1989	Research Assistant for Econometrics, Department of Economics, University of Berne (Prof. Dr. P. Kugler)
1983 – 1986	Research Assistant for Macroeconomics, Department of Applied Economic Research, University of Basel (Prof. Dr. G. Bombach)

Education

1990	Doctorate: Dr. rer. pol. with a dissertation on: The Investment Decision, Three Essays on Investment Theory. Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Peter Kugler and Prof. Dr. Gottfried Bombach
1983	Degree in Economics. Elective course: Econometrics. Thesis: Consequences of the Theory of Rational Expectations for the Theory of Consumption Behaviour
1977 – 1983	Degree in Economics, University of Basel

List of Publications

Articles in Refereed Professional Journals

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Cantonal and Regional Unemployment in Switzerland: A Dynamic Macroeconomic Panel Analysis,
Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics, 136 (3), pp. 463-483, 2000 (with L. P. Feld).

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Investment and Maintenance in the Aviation Industry, *Schweizerische Zeitschrift für Volkswirtschaft und Statistik* 126(1), pp. 17-38, 1990.

Other Technical Articles

Berufliche Vorsorge: Einige grundlegende Zusammenhänge, *Wissenschaftliche Mitteilung - Mitteilungen der Schweizerischen Aktuarvereinigung*, 1/2003, pp. 13-25.

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Preoperative Counts of CD4 T-Lymphocytes and Early Postoperative Infective Complications in HIV-positive Patients, *European Journal of Surgery* 164, pp. 483-487, 1998 (with D. Savioz, M. Chilcott, C. Ludwig, L. Kaiser, C. Leissing, L. Bühler, R. Peter and Ph. Morel).

Empirische Forschung in den Wirtschaftswissenschaften: Ein Überblick, *Homo oeconomicus* 16, 1997, pp. 209-247 (with G. Kirchgässner); simultaneously published as: A. Pfingsten (ed.), *Betriebswirtschaftslehre und Volkswirtschaftslehre: Geschwisterliebe und Familienzwist*, Acedo, Münschen, 1997.

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Books

Die direkte Demokratie: Modern, erfolgreich, entwicklungs- und exportfähig (with G. Kirchgässner and L. P. Feld), Verlag Helbing und Lüthiger and Verlag Wahlen, 1999.

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Contributions in Books

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