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Education

- ✓ Master of Environmental Management, Area of Specialization – Integrated Conservation and Development, 2001, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale University, Connecticut, US
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Professional Experience

Aug 03 – Feb 04 / National Consultant, Feasibility study for introducing an Organic Bio label in Bhutan, Swiss Bhutan Friendship Association, Swiss Bhutan Society // **June 2003** / National Consultant, Literature review for the Strategic Environmental Assessment of Bhutan's Ninth Five Year Plan, World Bank // **April/03 – July/03** / National Consultant, IEE (Initial Environmental Examination) of the RE – III project (Rural Electrification phase-III), Department of Energy, Ministry of Trade and Industry in association with the Asian Development Bank // **Oct 02 – Nov 02** / National Consultant, Sub-sector Survey of the Cane Bamboo Handicrafts, UNDP, Thimphu, Bhutan // **June 02 – July 02** / National Consultant, Terminal Evaluation and Program Formulation of the IHDP (Integrated Horticulture Development Program) of the Ministry of Agriculture, UNDP, Thimphu, Bhutan // **March/02 – May/02** / National Consultant, Formulation of the REDP (Rural Enterprise Development Programme), UNDP, Thimphu, Bhutan // **September/99 – May/01** / Research and General Assistant to Dr. William Burch Jr, Hixon Professor, Natural Resources Management, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale University, Connecticut, US // **June/98 – August/99** / Programme Assistant, World Wildlife Fund Programme Office, Thimphu, Bhutan // **December/97 – May/98** / Technical Field Officer, Women in Environment Project, Royal Manas National Park, Zhemgang, South-Eastern Bhutan.

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Education

Dr. agr. Irmela Krug obtained the doctoral degree in agricultural sciences in 1986 from the Justus-Liebig-University in Giessen, Germany.

Professional Experience

Since 1999, Irmela Krug works as a freelance consultant for projects of the bi- and multilateral technical cooperation in Pakistan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and Bhutan. Today, she is part of the Bio Label Bhutan Team, promoting organic agriculture as a means to enhance the access of farmers in remote areas of Bhutan to national/ regional and international markets.

From **June 1995 to June 1999**, Irmela Krug worked at the Institute of Traditional Medicine Services in Thimphu, Bhutan as agricultural advisor. During her tenure, she developed collection and cultivation schemes for rare high and low altitude medicinal plants and established a network of research trials for plants used in the ancient gso-ba-rig-pa system (= the 'knowledge of healing') at the Renewable Natural Resource Research Centres of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Royal Government of Bhutan. Together with colleagues of the Ministry of Agriculture, she conducted surveys on the occurrence of high altitude medicinal plants at alpine regions of Bhutan.

From **1987 to 1995**, she lived and worked in South and Central America as an agricultural consultant supporting the establishment of farmer's organizations for the economic use of natural resources.

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Education

- ✓ Postgraduation in business management and administration (Master of Business Administration / University of Applied Sciences Berne / University of Beijing School of Economics / Babson College Boston (1999 to 2000, 2003)
- ✓ Studies in architecture and urban planning / University of Applied Sciences Berne (1986-1990) and University of Applied Sciences Brugg/Windisch (1990 -1994)

Professional Experience

Since 2000, Patrick Vogel joined reflecta ag, a management consulting and legal firm in Berne/Switzerland where he obtained partnership in 2003. Specialized in project and programme management Patrick Vogel is at the moment consulting / implementing projects and programmes for Coop, BioSuisse and Swisscom AG. In addition to that he is consulting investors in the field of real estate development and construction management. From **1998 to 1999** he worked as the co-town planner of solothurn, responsible for urban planning and development. From **1995 to 1998** he worked for Helvetas Bhutan as the project architect of the Teacher Training College (TTC). From **1990 to 1994** he worked as a project architect and manager for SAB AG, an architecture office in Berne.

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