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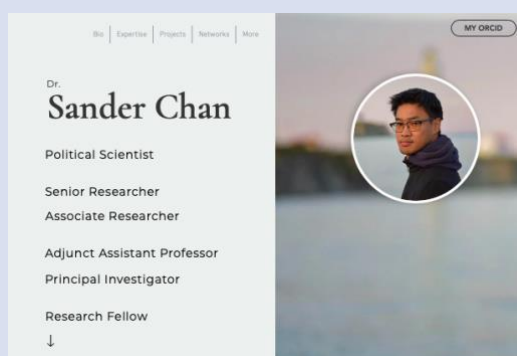


PERSONAL PROFILE

I am an international relations scholar specializing in global environmental governance with over fifteen years of experience in research, especially on public-private cooperation, non-state and local climate action and global sustainable development politics. My research achievements include the development of methodologies to assess the performance of transboundary state & non-state cooperation in sustainable development and climate change politics; as well as furthering knowledge about local (developing and emerging country) contexts for environmental governance approaches.

My goal is to contribute knowledge and education for a greener, fairer and resilient future for all. To build links between research and practice, I co-founded the 'Galvanizing the Groundswell of Climate Action' network, which facilitates dialogues on the role cities, regions, companies, and other groups in climate and sustainability governance. I am founder and co-chair of the Earth System Governance Project's Working Group on Economic Downturn and Climate Action, which investigates the impact of the COVID-19 crisis, and the effects of the ensuing economic downturn, on climate action worldwide.

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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- Sept'20-Present Global Center on Adaptation, Research & Innovation Hub (GCA R&I)
Senior Researcher Groningen, NL
- Research programme lead on non-state climate adaptation action, the role of youth and the private sector.
 - Contributing to GCA-Groningen University partnership on the Global Adaptation Governance teaching program.
 - Support the development of the GCA flagship State & Trends in Adaptation report (2 editions). Primary responsibilities over contributions on the roles of MSMEs, large enterprises, youth, and cooperative initiatives/partnerships.
 - Support the development of the State and Trends in Adaptation Knowledge Exchange (STAKE) platform and the Climate Initiatives Tracker
 - Policy advice on e.g., risk assessment and adaptation strategies in China.
- Sep'20-present German Development Institute/Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)
Associated Researcher (current) Bonn, DE
- Project Lead on cities as potential drivers of green and climate-resilient

recovery ('ClimateCitiesRecovery')

- Research supervisor alignment of climate action and reduced inequalities in the implementation of SDGs ('ClimEq')

- Nov'16-present Utrecht University Utrecht, NL
Adjunct assistant professor at Copernicus Institute of Sustainable Development (unpaid)
- Supervision of MA and BA thesis projects (since 2017)
 - Co-supervision of PhD project by Mr Adis Dzebo (Stockholm Environment Institute/Utrecht University) on transnational climate adaptation (since June 2017)
 - Co-supervision of PhD project by Ms Alexia Faus Onbargi (German Development Institute/Utrecht University) on aligning climate action with reducing inequalities in the implementation of sustainable development goals (since June 2020)
 - Teaching (courses: "Politics of the Earth" [BSc], "International Governance for Sustainable Development" [MSc]) (since 2016)
 - Research cooperation on transnational governance initiatives
- Jan '20-present Dahdaleh Institute for Global Health Research, York University Toronto, CA
Guest researcher (unpaid)
- Co-Principal Investigator of the Synergies of Planetary Health Research Initiative
 - Conducting research on the performance of transnational nature based solutions
- Sep'14-Sept'20 German Development Institute/Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) Bonn, DE
Senior Researcher
- Research on Non-Economic Loss and Damage; and Nonstate and Subnational Climate Actions (2015-2016)
 - Project lead: strengthening non-state climate action in the global south ('ClimateSouth'); developing of the 'Climate Cooperative Initiatives Database' (C-CID) research database to track progress of non-state and subnational climate actions; mapping non-state climate action globally, and in India and Kenya. (from 2017)
 - Project lead: overcoming incoherence in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development; building a research consortium; and developing a research agenda on (in)coherence, synergies and trade-offs in achieving sustainable development. (from 2018)
 - Chairing the Interconnections series of trans- and interdisciplinary events on linkages between the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement. (since 2017)
 - Organizing conferences, workshops, teaching (Environment and development module, transnational climate governance)
 - Leading "Country Working Group III – Vietnam and Climate Governance" (2016)
- Mar'14-Jun'14 UNFCCC Secretariat Bonn, DE
Intern, Assistant to Executive Direction and Management, Implementation Strategy Unit
- Development of climate action agenda strategy ('Lima-Paris Action Agenda')
 - Development of issues paper on a UNFCCC framework for non-state actor engagement and International Cooperative Initiatives

Jan'06-Sep'14	VU University Researcher at Institute for Environmental Studies (member of staff until Mar'09, guest researcher thereafter)	Amsterdam, NL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research in 'Partners' Project on Partnerships for Sustainable Development • Organizing conferences, teaching, research, supervision of master students and interns 	
Oct'12-Jun'14	Zhejiang University/Zhejiang Env. Protection Bureau Environmental and sustainable development policy expert (intermittent)	Hangzhou, CN
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy advice and training 	
Jan'10-Mar'11	Renmin University of China Guest researcher at School of Environment and Natural Resources	Beijing, CN
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching • Research on Partnerships for Sustainable Development in biodiversity governance 	
Aug'09-Dec'09	China University for Political Science and Law (CUPL) Guest researcher at Globalization and Global Issues Institute	Beijing, CN
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching • Research on Partnerships for Sustainable Development in sustainable forestry 	

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATES

Jan'09-Sep'14	VU University PhD Dissertation Title: "Partnerships for Sustainable Development: Emergence, Adaptation and Impact on Global and Domestic Governance"	Amsterdam, NL
Mar'09-Aug'09	Beijing Foreign Studies University Mandarin Chinese Certificate	Beijing, CN
Sep'05-Dec'05	Netherlands Institute for International Relations Certificate Post-graduate course in Foreign Relations	The Hague, NL
Sep'00-Jul'01	Uni. of Turku, Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence European Studies Diploma Dissertation Title: "Trends, Models & Divisions: US, German and EU Federalism in Comparison"	Turku, FIN
Sep'98-Aug'04	VU University Amsterdam Doctorandus Political Science (MA eq.) Dissertation Title: "Anticipatory Europeanisation and the Break-up of Czechoslovakia"	Amsterdam, NL
Oct'97-Aug'98	VU University Amsterdam Propedeuse Public Administration and Politics (BA eq.)	Amsterdam, NL

GRANTS

- 'Corona Crisis and Beyond' grant (2021-2022, €120,000; PI) by the Volkswagen Foundation (grant #93341), to conduct research on cities as potential drivers of green and climate-resilient recovery (ClimateCitiesRecovery), partners: Blavatnik School of Government at the University of Oxford, DIE, African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS), TERI School for Advanced Studies, University of Middlesex, GCA.
- 'Realising Sustainable Development Goals' grant (2020-2024, €2,000,000, DIE share: €400,000, co-applicant) by the Swedish Research Council for Sustainable Development (Formas, grant# 2020-00396) to conduct research on the alignment of climate action and reduced inequalities in the implementation of SDGs (ALIGN), partners: Linköping University; Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), Utrecht University, DIE.
- Non-state and subnational mitigation action tracking grant funded by the IKEA

Foundation (2021-2024, €2,500,000, GCA share: €180,000, grant# A21002, co-PI) to assess the global impact assessment of greenhouse gas mitigation actions by cities, regions and businesses, Partners: NewClimate Institute, PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, Datadriven Envirolab at UNC Chapel Hill, CDP, GCA.

- IKEA Foundation. Impact of cities, regions and businesses on global greenhouse gas emissions: 2020 update. (2020) (EUR 42,500 [DIE Share]). Project Partners: Prof. Dr. Niklas Höhne, Dr. Takeshi Kuramochi (NewClimate Institute), Mark Roelfsema (Utrecht University), Dr. Thomas Hale (Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University), Dr Angel Hsu (Data-Driven Lab, Yale-NUS), Sander Chan (DIE), Andrew Clapper (CDP).
- Käte Hamburger Kolleg/Centre for Global Cooperation Research (KHK/GCR21) research fellowship 2020-2021 (EUR 36,000) – *Offered but declined in favor of other offer.*
- 'DAAD Alumni Programme', funding acquired for organizing the Spring School 'Global Transformation towards Sustainability - Rising Powers and Africa' for three consecutive years (2019-2021), (approx.. 200,000 EUR). Project partners: Dr Sven Grimm (DIE), Bonn University.
- The ClimateWorks Foundation, funding for 'Global Aggregation of the Impacts of Non-state and Subnational Climate Action (2019) (25,000 EUR [DIE Share]). Project Partners: Prof. Dr. Niklas Höhne, Dr. Takeshi Kuramochi (NewClimate Institute), Mark Roelfsema (PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency), Dr. Thomas Hale (Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University), Dr Angel Hsu (Data-Driven Lab, Yale-NUS), Sander Chan (DIE).
- European Economic and Social Council funding for study "Toolbox for multi-stakeholder climate partnerships: a policy framework to stimulate bottom-up climate actions" (15,000 EUR)
- 'Europe and Global Challenges', joint funding initiative of the Volkswagen Foundation, Wellcome Trust, and Riksbankens Jubileumsfond, July 2017-August 2021, title of research project: 'Strengthening Non-State Climate Action in the Global South' (757,700 EUR). Project Partners: Dr Thomas Hale (Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University), Dr Sander Chan (German Development Institute/Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik [DIE]), Dr Manish Kumar Shrivastava (The Energy and Resources Institute), and Mr Kennedy Mbeva (African Centre for Technology Studies).
- CCCEP Innovation Fund, Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy (CCCEP), November 2014-December 2015, title of research project: "Applying lessons learnt from the New York Climate Commitments to design a Global Framework for Climate Action for better coordination and greater effectiveness in a fragmented climate governance landscape" (10,000 GBP)
- EU China Science and Technology Fellowship, EuropeAid, March 2009-March 2011, title of research project: "Sustainable Forestry Partnerships in China" (48,700 EUR).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Co-Principal Investigator of the Synergies of Planetary Health Research Initiative, Dahdaleh Institute for Global Health Research, York University, Canada (January 2020-present)
- Co-chair of the Earth System Governance Project's Working Group on 'Economic Downturn and Climate Action' (ESG - EDCA) (February 2020-present)
- Guest researcher at Data-driven Lab at Yale-NUS, Singapore (February-March 2020).
- Research Fellow of the Earth System Governance Project, and ESG Research Centre focal point for the German Development Institute/Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), (January 2017-present)
- Member of Steering Committee 'Galvanizing the Groundswell of Climate Actions'
- Founding partner 'Non-Economic Loss and Damage' Platform (NELD Platform) (March 2015-March 2017)

- Member of the Technical Working Group on Non-State and Subnational Action Guidance of the Initiative on Climate Action Transparency (ICAT), (November 2016-present)
- Chair of Working Group 1 of the International Climate Governance Alliance, preparing high-level recommendations (May 2017-present)
- Member of the editorial board of 'Environment and Social Psychology' (March 2015-January 2017)
- Member of Advisory Group for the Climate Initiatives Platform (CIP), (May 2014-present)

REFERENCES

Research references

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Policy expert references

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