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# Juerg Christen

## Managing Director, Senior Social Infrastructure and Environmental Management Specialist



### Areas of expertise:

- Decentralisation and institutional development
- Water & Environmental Management
- Advising on and management of infrastructure development

### [Juergs` CV](#)

**Juerg Christen** is the Managing Director of Skat. He is an experienced infrastructure, governance and institutional development professional who combines processes and stakeholder participation with sound technical and methodological expertise.

Qualification (Institute)	Post-Graduate Course (Diploma) in Ecology and Environmental Management Fachhochschule Vaduz (LIS) & Chur (NDS LIS) Liechtenstein & Switzerland B.Sc. in Civil Engineering (HTL/FHS), Lucerne, Switzerland
Working languages	German (nativ), English (excellent), French (intermediate), Nepali (basic)
Years of Experience	30+
Nationality	Swiss <b>Eastern Europe:</b> Albania, Bosnia& Herzegovina, Ukraine Moldova
Country experience and regional expertise	<b>Sub-Saharan Africa:</b> Burundi, Rwanda, Congo, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Ethiopia Lesotho, Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya <b>Asia:</b> Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Bangladesh, Philippines, Bhutan, Nepal, India <b>Americas:</b> Guatemala, Brazil

- [DESPRO](#) Project Director/Teamleader, Decentralisation, Water and Environmental Sanitation Specialist (Ukraine)
- Conception of Caritas supported [earthquake reconstruction project](#) (Nepal)
- Evaluation of the SDC supported WASH projects implemented by the **Swiss W&S NGO Consortium** (Nepal)
- Project Director/Team Leader and Environmental Management Specialist in the SDC funded [PROECCO project](#) (Burundi, Rwanda, Congo)
- Evaluation of the SDC financed **Regional Rural Water and Sanitation Project** (Tajikistan, Uzbekistan)
- Support the SDC funded **Municipal Governance Project** in developing an Integrated Solid Waste Management Strategy (Bosnia & Herzegovina)
- Initiation and implementation of the national **integrated solid waste management strategy and regulation** (Bhutan)
- Helvetas Swiss Intercooperation - Formulation of **Trail Bridge Capacity Building Programme** and development of a programme to integrate processes and technology into national policies and strategies (Ethiopia)
- Project Director/Rural Infrastructure Development Specialist in the ADB/DIFD/OFIDSDC financed **Rural Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Sector Development Programme** (Nepal)
- [APASAN](#) - Formulation of the SDC funded WASH Project that aims at scaling up models of community based services in water supply and environmental sanitation (Moldova)
- Assessment of the Swiss Solidarity sponsored **tsunami reconstruction projects** in South Karaikal (India)
- Poverty analysis and formulation the ZNDP project **Poverty Reduction through Employment Generation** (Bangladesh)
- Development and backstopping of the SDC/UNDP programme **Municipal Governance and Sustainable Development Project** (Ukraine/Crimea)
- Presentation at the IFRTD annual conference the paper "**Networking Myths and Trends**", Stockholm 2005
- Autor of the publication "**Peace and Stability through sustainable Social and Economic Development**", Crimea 2004
- Reviewer of WHO publication "**safe management of wastes from health care activities**", Switzerland 2000
- Co-author of "**How are we managing healthcare wastes**", Skat 1999
- Co-author of "**Conceptual Framework for MSWM in low-income countries**", CH 1996

Selected projects,  
roles, achievements  
and publications

## Key clients

- [Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation \(SDC\)](#)
- The World Bank
- UNDP
- ADB
- DfID
- WHO
- Caritas
- Helvetas Swiss Intercooperation
- Swiss Red Cross
- Solidarmed
- Swiss TPH
- DIGS
- Collaborative Working Group in SWM (CWG)
- [Swiss Water Partnership](#)
- ISWA
- IFRTD
- ReSeau
- [Aguasán](#)

## Affiliations and networks

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