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Maria Rachelle Gallmann

Junior Water and Climate Change Specialist



Areas of expertise

- Climate change adaptation
- Coastal ecological systems and livelihoods

- Environmental policy analysis
- Network facilitation and knowledge management

Maria Gallmann has joined Skat in early 2021, supporting the facilitation of the SDC's Global Programme Water network "Réseau" and other projects. She is passionate for work that drives for positive action leading to a sustainable future, and pushes to understand the world's complex socio-ecological systems through interdisciplinary perspectives. Along with her Masters in Climate Sciences, she brings with her experience in coastal resources management work in the Philippines and climate change policy analysis in Switzerland and Germany.

Key data

Qualification (Institute)	MSc. Climate Sciences with special qualification in Social Sciences - University of Bern, Switzerland BSc. Environmental Science with minor in sociology - Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines
Working languages	English, German, Tagalog
Nationality	Swiss and Filipino
Years of Experience	3
Selected projects, roles, achievements and publications	<p>Policy Analysis and Environmental Governance group - University of Bern - Research Assistant</p> <p>Identifying management units for high-value sea cucumbers <i>Holothuria scabra</i> and <i>Stichopus horrens</i> - The Marine Science Institute, University of the Philippines, DOST-PCCARD funded project - University Researcher I</p> <p>Sulu-sulawesi Marine Ecoregion Project - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) - Technical Assistant</p> <p>Conservation International Philippines - Intern</p> <p>Clean Air Asia - Intern</p> <p>Co-author in book chapter on Swiss Climate Change Politics in S. Jodoin & J. Setzer, eds. (upcoming 2022) <i>Federalism and Climate Governance</i>, Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press</p> <p>Conference presentations at the Philippine National Symposium of Marine Science:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sea Cucumber Biology and Trends Through the Eyes of Fisherfolk • The Fishing Community of Taggat Norte: Coastal Poverty & Resilience • Brachyuran Herbivory and Burrowing in Typhoon Haiyan Affected Mangroves in Bantayan Island, Cebu

