

## Curriculum Vitae

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**Name of Staff** : **Mirco Keller**  
**Name of Firm** : Skat Consulting, St Gallen, Switzerland  
**Date of Birth** : 06.10.1987  
**Years of Experience** : 10 years  
**Nationality** : Swiss  
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## KEY COMPETENCIES

Mirco Keller is a seasoned WASH professional with 10 years of experience in international development and humanitarian aid across diverse settings. Early in his career, he contributed to the water and sanitation sector working for different NGOs and international organizations. In 2018 he then joined the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) as a Water and Habitat Delegate. More recently, he worked with the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) in Bangladesh, successfully overseeing the implementation of a humanitarian WASH project in collaboration with local authorities, the WASH Sector and international partners.

Since joining Skat Consulting in August 2022, he has become an integral part of the core team. Leveraging his wealth of experience, he excels in project design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, as well as capacity building for partners in both urban and rural water and sanitation sectors. His expertise spans a range of thematic areas, including WASH in humanitarian and development contexts, decentralized sanitation solutions (incl. faecal sludge management), solid waste management and the analyses of project related DRR and climate risk aspects.

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## EDUCATION

**2011 – 2012** : M.Sc., Water and Environmental Management, Water, Engineering and Development Centre (WEDC), Loughborough University, UK  
*MSc Research project: "Study of wastewater disposal system at a large rural hospital in Katete, Zambia: Situation analysis and assessment of system effectiveness, recommendation of improvement options, criteria for success."*

**2007 – 2010** : B.Sc., Environmental Sciences, ETH Zurich, Switzerland  
*Exchange semester in Environmental Engineering at Denmark's Technical University (DTU), in Lyngby, Denmark*

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## LANGUAGES:

	<b>Speaking</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Writing</b>
German	Mother tongue	Mother tongue	Mother tongue
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
French	Good	Good	Good

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## EMPLOYMENT RECORD AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Skat Consulting Ltd., St. Gallen, Switzerland**

#### **Water and Environmental Expert**

**Since 08/2022**

- Management and coordination of on-going implementation mandates in Moldova (WASH as well as Energy Efficiency interventions) financed by SDC and ADA
- Acquisition and coordination of consultancy mandates for different clients, including for the World Bank in Moldova
- Design and acquisition of new projects, management of consultants, donor relations and communications
- Backstopping and technical advice for humanitarian aid project in Ukraine in the sectors of water supply, shelter and housing / reconstruction.
- Support to backstopping mandate for SDC Climate, DRR and Environment (CDE) network, particularly for the facilitation of CEDRIG workshops to analyse the risks and impacts of climate change, DRR and the environment

### **Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh**

#### **Sanitation and Solid Waste Management Expert / Deputy Head of Project Office, Swiss Humanitarian Aid Unit (SHA)**

**03/2021 – 04/2022**

- Responsibility for supporting the planning, preparation, roll out, monitoring and evaluation of all technical and operational aspects of the Project Office, implementation of technical or specialized activities
- Enhancing the capacity of the local authorities (DPHE) and the humanitarian WASH Sector, particularly in the field of Solid Waste Management (SWM) and Faecal Sludge Management (FSM) in camps and in host communities
- Management and oversight of an internal Mid-Term Review of the Direct Action WASH project (WASH Technical Resources Unit in Cox's Bazar)
- Coordination with a variety of local and international stakeholders, hiring and supervision of consultants

### **International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Iraq and Myanmar**

#### **Water and Habitat Delegate**

**03/2018 – 03/2021**

*Iraq (Kirkuk): 03/2018 – 08/2019*

*Myanmar (Maungdaw, Rakhine state): 12/2019 – 01/2021*

- Development, assessment, implementation and supervision of all WatHab activities of the Sub-Delegation, providing assistance to victims of armed conflict and other situations of violence, including people in detention
- Monitoring, analysis and reporting on the humanitarian situation and environment
- Management of technical and administrative aspects, budgeting and reporting (1-2M USD budget per year)
- Coordination and dialogue with authorities, national partners and international stakeholders
- Supervision, training and mentoring of a team of 5-10 people

### **Terre des Hommes, Tal Afar, Iraq**

#### **WASH Project Manager**

**10/2017 – 03/2018**

- Management of WASH projects for humanitarian assistance to IDPs, infrastructure rehabilitation incl. schools
- Staff and budget mgmt., strategy development, collaboration with local authorities and international actors

## **GOAL, Freetown, Sierra Leone**

### **Public-Private Sanitation Programme Manager**

**11/2015 – 05/2017**

- Management of FSM (Faecal Sludge Management) programme in Freetown (2 years, 2M USD, BMGF funded)
- Lead implementation of all project aspects incl. staff management, reporting, technical and strategic oversight
- Provide institutional support to local authority (City Council), private sector support to SMEs (Business Development Support), supervision of external consultancy firms

## **Inter Aide, Phalombe, Malawi**

### **Program Manager**

**05/2014 – 11/2015**

- Management of rural WASH program activities, including PHAST trainings, borehole rehabilitations, household sanitation improvements, set-up of handpump maintenance system
- Office and staff mgmt., technical supervision, overall logistical and financial responsibility, strategic oversight
- Collaboration with local authorities, communities and local businesses

## **ACTED, Mafraq, Jordan**

### **WASH Program Officer**

**09/2013 – 04/2014**

- Humanitarian assistance to Syrian refugees and host communities in Northern Jordan
- Strategic and technical oversight of WASH activities, M&E advice, collaboration with authorities

## **UNICEF, Bujumbura, Burundi**

### **WASH Specialist (UN Youth Volunteer funded by SDC)**

**02/2013 – 09/2013**

- Monitoring of WASH interventions, supporting of emergency relief activities
- Contribution to projects on pilot research and WASH innovation

## **MSABI (Tanzanian NGO), Ifakara, Tanzania**

### **WASH Project Manager (Swiss civil service posting via Swiss TPH)**

**06/2010 – 12/2010**

- Joint management of newly established WASH project (manual borehole drilling, improved family latrines, etc.)
- Staff management, technical and operational oversight, accounting, reporting, collaboration with authorities

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## **INTERNSHIPS**

### **GIZ, Cotonou, Benin**

WASH Program Intern

11/2010 – 12/2010

### **Gourmet Gardens Ltd., Mutwanga, Eastern DRC and Kampala, Uganda**

Agricultural Development Intern

06/2007 – 08/2007

### **Mecana Umwelttechnik AG, Reichenburg, Switzerland**

Wastewater Technology Intern

03/2007 – 06/2007

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