

## PERSONAL DATA

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## EDUCATION AND DEGREES

- 2011 Ph.D.: Eötvös Loránd University (ELU), Biology PhD School, Ecology, Conservation Biology, Taxonomy PhD Program
- 2010 MSc in Regional and Environmental economics (Corvinus University of Budapest; CUB)
- 2007 Bilingual Biology Teacher in English (ELU)
- 2006 MSc in Biology and certificated Biology Teacher (ELU)  
Specialisation: Evolutionary biology, ecology and taxonomy

## LANGUAGES

English (fluent)

Spanish (basic)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS AND CURRENT RESEARCH

- Biodiversity Economics, the application of biodiversity indicators and models in Agricultural Economics
- analysis of environmental sustainability indicators and their use in policy-making
- analysis of local food system from the farmers' perspective
- quantification of the environmental impacts of local food systems
- analysis of agricultural trade networks

## AFFILIATIONS

- 2012- Junior Research Fellow (Hungarian Academy of Sciences)
- 2011-2012 Assistant professor (Dept. of Environmental Economics and Technology, CUB)
- 2010-2011 Research assistant (Dept. of Environmental Economics and Technology, CUB)
- 2008 Research assistant (Dept. of Plant Taxonomy and Ecology, ELU)

## MAIN RESEARCH GRANTS/PROJECTS

Economic analysis of biological diversity.

2013 – 2016. Leader.

Supported by Hungarian Scientific Research Fund (OTKA PD109177)

International comparisons of product chains in the agro-food sectors: determinants of their competitiveness and performance on EU and international markets – COMPETE

2012 – 2015. Research group member. Project leader: Imre Fertő

Supported by EU FP7

Rural Research 2012-2013 (MTA-MNVH)

2012 – 2013. Research group member. Project leader: Imre Fertő

Supported by the Hungarian National Rural Network (NAKVI)

Extreme-risk area of water resources for effective, sustainable alternatives to the medium and long-term treatment - WaterRisk.

2009 – 2011. Research group member. Project leader: Zsuzsanna Marjainé Szerényi.  
Supported by the National Office of Research and Technology (NKTH).

## EXPERT POSITIONS

- 2014 **UN-IPBES** (Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services). Deliverable 2b. „Scoping a set of regional/subregional assessments on biodiversity and ecosystem services”. Expert.
- 2014 - **UN-IPBES** (Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services). Deliverable 3c. „Policy support tools and methodologies for scenario analysis and modelling of biodiversity and ecosystem services based on a fast track assessment and a guide”. „Lead author” (Chapter 2.)
- 2013-2014 **Short Food Supply Chain Thematic Sub-programme** (European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development) expert team member

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Corvinus University of Budapest, Dept. of Environmental Economics and Technology (2010-2012)

Courses: Environmental Economics (BSc, in Hungarian)  
Environmental Policy (MSc, in Hungarian)  
Environmental Economics and assessment of environment and cultural heritage (MSc, in English)

Eötvös Loránd University

Courses: Landscape and environmental management (MSc, in Hungarian Center for Environmental Studies, 2010-2012)  
Biometry seminars (originally a compulsory course; within the mandatory-elective module after the launch of the Bologna process; Dept. of Plant Taxonomy and Ecology, 2006-2009)

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2009 *Autumn* Erasmus scholarship (at NHH, Bergen, Norway)  
2007 Grant of the Croatian Biological Society  
2006-2009 Ph.D. State Scholarship  
2005/2006 Republic Award

## PERSONAL WEBSITE

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