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Particulars

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Education

1969-81	Schools at Zurich
1981-91	Studies in Economics / University of Zurich Dissertation (Master) about voters' paradox
2004	Habilitation, qualified as University lecturer in Health Economics and Empirical Research, University of Zurich
2010	Professor at the University of Zurich
2016	Professor at the University of Lucerne

Career

1985-91	Assistant at the institute for empirical research in economics, Zurich
1986-87	President of a non profit foundation: Zentralstelle der Studentenschaft – Student-shops Zurich
1991-93	Executive Manager Terre des hommes Kinderhilfe Children relief Zurich
1993-96	Statistician at CSS Insurance
1996-2013	Head of Department of Mathematics & Statistics / CSS Insurance
2004-2016	PD, Senior Lecturer at the University of Zurich
2006-2013	Actuary and Managing Director / CSS Insurance
2007-2020	Head of CSS Institute for Empirical Health Economics
Since 2016	Professor in Health Economics at the University of Lucerne

Consultant for Health Policy

of Swiss Ministry of Health, Swiss National Parliament, German Ministry of Health, German Insurers and Physician's Associations, Duke and Prime Minister of Liechtenstein

Membership and Chair

Former Chair of Forum Managed Care, Co-Founder and (rotating) Chair (2008, 2012, 2016, 2020, 2021) of the (European) Risk Adjustment Network, Member of the Commission for Health Economics of the Association for Social Policy, Co-Organizer of the European Conference on Health Economics at Zurich 2012, Organizer and Chair of Swiss Health Economic Workshop 2019, 2017, 2015, 2013.

Most influential books (for details see full list of publications)

KB & Werner Widmer (2021). *Corona in der Schweiz*, second extended Edition, www.corona-in-der-schweiz.ch

(over 25'000 downloads; several reprints in journals, newspapers and on websites)

KB, Viktor von Wyl, Christian Biener & Martin Eling, Editors (2014). *Brennpunkt Solidarität – Diskussionsbeiträge zur Weiterentwicklung der sozialen Krankenversicherung. Schriftenreihe der Schweizerischen Gesellschaft für Gesundheitspolitik (SGGP)*, Bd. 125, Bern.

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Christian P.R. Schmid & KB (2016). Re-insurance in the Swiss Health Insurance Market: Fit, Power, and Balance, *Health Policy*, 120(7):848-855.

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