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Katriona McGlade joined Ecologic Institute in 2010 and works as a Fellow, focused on adaptation to climate change. She is particularly interested in exploring approaches to produce legitimate and equitable outcomes for diverse stakeholders. Katriona is a native English speaker and is fluent in German, Spanish, French and Catalan. She has a basic knowledge of Italian, Arabic and Japanese.

Katriona is currently engaged in the large collaborative Horizon 2020 research project Co-designing the Assessment of Climate Change Costs (COACCH). Katriona is part of the core team at Ecologic Institute leading the design, monitoring and evaluation of the project's co-design process. Examples of her previous work on stakeholder-centred adaptation include Bottom-up Climate Adaptation Strategies Towards a Sustainable Europe (BASE) and Resilience-Increasing Strategies for Coasts – toolKIT (RISC-KIT) under the European Commission's 7th Framework Programme (FP7).

Katriona's work frequently covers the international effects of EU environmental policy. This has included inputs to the European Parliament's Development Committee (DEVE) and contributing on a regular basis to Eurostat's Monitoring Report on Progress Towards the SDGs in the EU. Katriona was also engaged in the three-year European research project Climate Change, Hydro-conflicts and Human Security (CLICO) in the Mediterranean, Middle East and Sahel region. Katriona has a strong interest in the equitable management of natural resources in developing countries and has conducted studies on access and benefit sharing of genetic resources, intellectual property rights and poverty reduction, as well as biodiversity and wellbeing.

In addition to her research activities, Katriona is actively involved in the design and communication of Ecologic Institute's research results. She has coordinated the transfer of knowledge and dissemination of research results for several projects, developing policy briefs, web-based tool kits and guides.

Katriona has considerable teaching and moderation experience, in particular with young people and also teaches visiting students from Mexico at the ITESM Summer School on Environment and Sustainability.

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Before joining Ecologic Institute, Katriona worked on youth-led development projects in the United Kingdom (UK) for the British Trust of Conservation Volunteers (TCV) and Environmental Vision (Envision). Prior to this, Katriona worked as a foreign language teacher to young people and adults.

Katriona has worked and studied in a number of European and Latin American countries. She holds a Master of Science (MSc) in International Development from the University of Birmingham (UK) where she focused on sustainable development, conflict and disaster management. Her Masters dissertation focused on the evaluation and sustainability of youth-led international development programmes in Chile and Latin America. She has studied and carried out research work in several European and Latin American countries and also has a Bachelors Degree (BA Hons) in Hispanic and Latin American Studies from Bristol University (UK). Katriona was awarded the Cervantes Prize and the 50th Anniversary Commemorative Prize, both for outstanding achievement in her field.

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