





## **Zurich-Basel Plant Science Center**

## Science and Policy Talk

## How ETH aims to strengthen the science-policy dialogue

Guest speaker: Dr. Benedikt Knüsel (Head of Science-Policy Interface, ETH

Zürich)

Location: ETH Zentrum, HG F 33.5

Date: October 4, 2023: 17:00 – 18:30

## Description

How can you prepare for a career at the interface between science and policy? In the Science and Policy Talk series, professionals working in different roles at the interface between science and policy explain how they contribute to linking science and policy and give us insights in their career pathway.

<u>Dr. Benedikt Knüsel</u> is Head of <u>Science-Policy Interface</u> in the <u>Office of Knowledge Transfer and Corporate Relations</u> at ETH Zurich. The Science-Policy Interface is the central hub at ETH that supports researchers who wish to engage in a dialogue with policymakers and was created in 2022.

In this talk, Benedikt Knüsel will speak about developments at ETH to support the dialogue between scientists and policymakers. ETH is currently taking steps to strengthen these interactions since the contribution and participation of ETH researchers in the design of effective evidence-informed policies is an important pillar of knowledge transfer. These developments happen in the context of both strategic decisions at ETH and political decisions taken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

He will also talk about his career trajectory and how his education prepared him to take on jobs at the science-policy interface. Furthermore, he will give insights into job prospects at the interface of science and policy.

**Benedikt Knüsel** is an environmental scientist by training and holds a doctorate in philosophy of climate science from ETH Zurich, which he obtained in 2020. Before joining ETH as Head of Science-Policy Interface, he was a Scientific Advisor at the State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation.

Number of Participants: 40