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Short Bio of Thomas Stocker, Professor Emeritus, University of Bern, Switzerland

Thomas Stocker was born in Zürich and obtained a PhD in Natural Sciences of ETH Zürich in 1987. He held research positions at University College London, McGill University (Montreal), Columbia University (New York) and University of Hawai'i (Honolulu). From 1993 to 2024 he was Professor of Climate and Environmental Physics at the University of Bern. Thomas Stocker has authored or co-authored more than 290 peer-reviewed papers in the area of climate dynamics and paleoclimate modeling and reconstruction. From 2008 to 2015 he served as Co-Chair of Working Group I of the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) that provided the scientific foundation of the Paris Agreement. Since 2025 he is President of the Ice Memory Foundation.

Thomas Stocker holds two honorary doctorates of the University of Versailles and ETH Zürich and received numerous awards for his work. He is a Foreign Honorary Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the German Academy Leopoldina, and the Italian Accademia dei Lincei. In 2017 he was awarded the Swiss Science Prize Marcel Benoist, and in 2024 he shared the BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Award. In 2026 he received the Alfred Wegener Medal of the European Geosciences Union.

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