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I am biologist and eager to learn, improve and strive the science-society interface. In SPSAS Scenarios and Modelling I am the executive manager, one of those who will make everything to make SPSAS be an incredible experience for all of us.

Regarding my background, I did my Master and PhD in Policy and Technology Policy at the University of Campinas (Unicamp). During this period I could understand deeper the outputs and the outcomes of science, technology and innovation (STI) under different perspectives. I had also the opportunity to coordinated projects on evaluations, technological foresight and international cooperation.

More recently I have been engaged in a very important bottleneck regarding science-society interface: communication. I had just completed a specialisation in Science Communication (University of Campinas), a topic that I have been flirting along my career. Currently I am in charge of science communication of the Brazilian Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service (BPBES) and as a research fellow. I have been collaborating with issues related to governance and options of policy.

My research interests lie on answering how can we make science more relevant to society? Currently I am interested in understand the role of knowledge brokers in the Brazilian biodiversity scenario and how to improve their performance. Knowledge brokers are the intermediary organisation (or people) that bring and take the demand and the “answers” among decision makers and scientists and also co-defining and catalysing the biodiversity agenda.