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Prof. Hoeppe joined Munich Re in 2004. Currently he is heading the Munich Re division “Geo Risks Research/Corporate Climate Centre”.

Before joining Munich Re Prof. Hoeppe has worked in different institutes at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University in Munich and as a post doc at Yale University (USA). Most time of his university career Prof. Hoeppe spent at the Institute of Bioclimatology and Applied Meteorology and the Institute of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. His academic education is in meteorology (Masters and PhD) and human biology (PhD).

His main areas of research have been effects of atmospheric processes (heat/cold, UV radiation, air pressure fluctuations) and air pollutants (ozone, particles) on humans and the general assessment of environmental risks. Currently his research focus is on trends of natural catastrophes and their drivers as well as on climate change effects on insurance industry in general.

Prof. Hoeppe is member of many scientific societies and advisory boards, from 1999 to 2002 he has been the President of the International Society of Biometeorology. He has held expert functions in different UN-Organisations. He is the Chairman of the Munich Climate Insurance Initiative, which he has founded in 2005. In 2007 Prof. Hoeppe has been appointed as Climate Change Advisor of the Bavarian State Government and Chair of the “Finance-Forum: Climate Change” of the high-tech Strategy of the German Federal Government. In 2009 he has been one of the initiators of the Desertec Industrial Initiative. In 2014 he became Chairman of the “Münchener Universitätsgesellschaft”.