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## Languages

- French ●●●●●
- Spanish ●●●●●
- English ●●●●●
- Portuguese ●●●●●
- German ●●●●●
- Indonesian ●●●●●

## Skills

- Leadership, teamwork ●●●●●
- Problem-solving ●●●●●
- Strategic planning ●●●●●
- Communication ●●●●●
- Event Management ●●●●●
- Organizational Skills ●●●●●
- Concept Development ●●●●●

## Soft Skills

- Collaboration
- Adaptability
- Time Management

## Working Experience

- currently **Chief Operating Officer** Shellcatch Inc. Miami, FL, USA
- 2017 – 2018 **Executive Director** MigraMar Olema, CA, USA
- 2014 – 2017 **CEO - Founder** La Chimbilaca Craft Ales and Brewpub Santa Ana, Costa Rica
- 2012 – 2014 **Executive Director** Tropical Science Center San Pedro, Costa Rica
- 2007 – 2012 **Research Coordinator** Tropical Science Center San Pedro, Costa Rica
- 2010 **Dean, Faculty of Environment** University for the International Cooperation San José, Costa Rica
- 2009 – 2010 **Director, Latin American School for Protected Areas** University for the International Cooperation San José, Costa Rica
- since 2001 **Vice-President** Ecoaventura San José, Costa Rica
- 2000 – 2016 **Co-Coordinator, Great Green Macaw Programme** Tropical Science Center San Pedro, Costa Rica

## Education

- 2005 – 2010 **PhD, Costa Rica Institute of Technology** Natural Sciences for Sustainable Development Cartago, Costa Rica
- 2003 – 2005 **Master, University for the International Cooperation** Project Management San José, Costa Rica
- 1991 – 1997 **Bachelor of Arts, University of Lausanne** History, Ancient History, French Literature and Language Lausanne, Switzerland

## Responsibilities

- since 2016 Deputy Vice-Chair, Connectivity Conservation Specialist Group, WCPA - IUCN global
- since 2016 Co-Editor, *PARKS*, IUCN global
- 2016-2017 Regional Chair, Mesoamerica, CEM - IUCN Mesoamerica
- 2016-2017 Meeting Chair, ICCB2017, Society for Conservation Biology global
- 2015-2017 Board Member, Society for Conservation Biology global
- 2011-2015 Director of Communication, Latin America and Caribbean Section, Society for Conservation Biology LAC
- 2012-2016 Co Vice-Chair, Mountains and Connectivity Conservation, WCPA - IUCN global
- since 2010 Co-Editor, *Mesoamericana*, MSBC Mesoamerica
- since 2009 Vice-Chair for Mesoamerica, Transboundary Specialist Group, WCPA - IUCN Mesoamerica
- 2006-2014 President, Mesoamerican Society for Biology and Conservation Mesoamerica

## Awards

- 2018 Devoted and outstanding service at the SCB Board of Governors, 2015-2017 Society for Conservation Biology
- 2016 Outstanding service at the MSCB Board of Directors, 2006-2016 Mesoamerican Society for Conservation and Biology
- 2009 Conservation and Environment Ford Motor Company

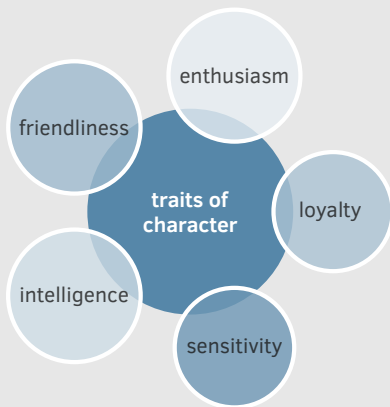
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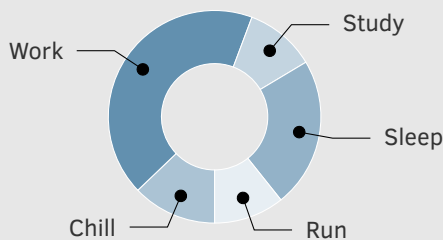
## About Me

Chief Operating Officer at Shellcatch, Deputy-Vice-Chair of the Connectivity Conservation Specialist Group of the WCPA-IUCN, Vice-Chair for Mesoamerica at the Transboundary Specialist Group (WCPA-IUCN). Author of more than 130 publications and 180 presentations at international events. Coordinator of more than 100 national and regional events. Extensive knowledge and experience in designing, fundraising and implementing conservation programs, leadership of inter-institutional alliances at the regional and global level. Passionate conservation practitioner, compromised with high standards of excellence, and able to build strong intercultural relationships.

## Values



## A day in my life



## Memberships

Mesoamerican Society for Conservation and Biology

WCPA-IUCN

Society for Conservation Biology

## Publications (9/131)

- 2019 **Remote electronic monitoring of marine turtle bycatch in the Eastern Pacific**  
SHARMA A., SFEIR A., CHASSOT O.  
Advisory Expert Panel on Bycatch, International Whaling Commission
- 2018 **Justificación biológica para la creación de la MigraVía Cocos-Galápagos**  
PEÑAHERRERA C., (...), CHASSOT O., (...)
- 2017 **Current Threats Faced by Neotropical Parrot Populations**  
BERKUNSKY I., (...), CHASSOT O., (...)  
Biological Conservation 214, 278-287
- 2016 **Technical Guidelines for the Design and Management of Participatory Connectivity Conservation and Restoration Projects at the Landscape Scale in Latin America**  
HERRERA B., CHASSOT O., MONGE-ARIAS G., CANET L.
- 2013 **Integrating Occupancy Modeling and Camera-trip Data to Estimate Medium and Large Mammal Detection and Richness in a Central American Biological Corridor**  
COVE M., SPINOLA M., JACKSON V., SAENZ J., CHASSOT O.  
Tropical Conservation Science 6(6), 782-795
- 2013 **Factors Influencing the Occurrence of the Endangered Baird's tapir *Tapirus bairdii*: Potential Flagship Species for a Costa Rican Biological Corridor**  
COVE M., PARDO L., De la CRUZ J.C., SPINOLA M., JACKSON V., SAENZ J., CHASSOT O.  
Cambridge Journals, 1-8
- 2012 **Characterization of Soil Ecosystems in Costa Rica Using Microbial Community Metrics**  
EATON W., CHASSOT O.  
Tropical Ecology 53(2), 185-195
- 2012 **Connectivity Conservation of the Great Green Macaw's Landscape in Costa Rica and Nicaragua (1994-2012)**  
CHASSOT O., MONGE-ARIAS G.  
Parks 18(1), 61-69
- 2012 **Sustainable Mountain Development in Meso America: from Rio 1992 to Rio 2012 and Beyond**  
CHASSOT O., VALVERDE A., JIMÉNEZ V., MÜLLER E., MORENO T.

## Projects

77 Projects awarded or managed  
3,037,268 (USD) Cumulative amount raised

## Computer skills

Management Monday, Asana, Project, Merlin, Slack, Zendesk, Basecamp, Jira  
Specialized ArcView, SPSS, PASSAGE, Vortex, IDRISI, File Maker, Visio, Lucidchart

## Extra-Curricular Activities

Sports Ultra Trail running, tennis, scuba diving, snorkeling, snowboarding  
Culture Asian and Latin American cuisine, travel, languages, world literature  
Hobbies Hiking, photography, beer brewing  
Nature Forest ecosystems, deserts, mountains, coral reefs, wildlife

## Life Philosophy

*If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go with others.*  
(African Proverb)