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Prof. Dr. Birgit Phillips serves as the Director of Higher Education Didactics and AI at JOANNEUM in Graz, Austria, where her focused efforts contribute to the advancement of curriculum development and the integration of AI in teaching and research. Her academic journey includes a PhD in Education, a Master's in Transcultural Competence, and a Master's in Smart Ed-Tech, Co-Creativity, and Digital Tools for Educational Innovation, blending her interests in cultural understanding, technology, and educational innovation. Her commitment to Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) is evident through her involvement in several ESD projects across various educational levels. Her work in this domain reflects a dedication to integrating sustainable practices in educational contexts. As the Austrian Country Director of the STAR Scholars Network and an academic resource person with CEAM, Prof. Dr. Phillips contributes her expertise to a broader academic community. Additionally, her role in various editorial capacities showcases her dedication to academic discourse, scholarship, and research.

Her research efforts have been recognized with awards such as the Patricia Cranton Research Award from the Transformative Learning Conference at Columbia University and the Erudite Scholar of the Year 2020 by CEAM in India. The European University Teaching Excellence Award from the ARQUS European University Alliance was a recent acknowledgment of her work in community-engaged education.

Prior to her academic tenure, Dr. Phillips spent significant time in the Global South. She continues to make significant contributions to the field of ESD, emphasizing practical applications and community engagement.