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Vladimir Kalinski was born in Sv. Ivan Zelina, Croatia. After graduation in 1996 from the University of Zagreb, majoring in Geology and Palaeontology, he continued master's studies in 1998 at the Faculty of Science in area of Geosciences, and in 2000 shifted to the Applied and Environmental Geoscience (AEG) programme at the University of Tübingen in Germany, where, in 2002, he obtained a Master degree (MSc) from the Institute of Geophysics. Doctoral title (DrSc) in natural sciences Vladimir has obtained in 2013 from the Interdisciplinary Doctoral Study in Environmental Management programme of the University of Zagreb. The topic of the dissertation was "Climate change assessment by the end of XXI. century with special reference to the Croatian coast and tourism -impacts, vulnerabilities and adaptation".

His professional career started in 1998 as a Junior Assistant at the Faculty of Mining, Geology and Petroleum Engineering, University of Zagreb, Department of Geology and Geological Engineering, and after his master's degree in Germany, he worked as Head of the Water and Sea Section of the Croatian Environmental Protection Agency, mostly on the establishment of monitoring system and monitoring of the environment of inland waters and the Adriatic Sea. Since 2005, Vladimir has been working as an independent consultant in the fields of environment, energy efficiency, climate change and ocean management. As a technical assistance expert, he has worked with a number of domestic and foreign agencies, institutions, consulting companies and international organizations in Croatia, Southeast and Eastern Europe, Central and Southeast Asia and Africa and the West Indian Ocean.

During 2016 and 2017, he led a team of Croatian and international experts who worked on the development of the „Croatian Strategy for Adaptation to Climate Change and the Action Plan“. Since late 2020 he works with the World Bank on Senior Environmental Specialist position.