

CURRICULUM VITAE

A: PERSONAL BIODATA

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B: PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY.

To offer sustainable Agribusiness solutions with responsibilities in the development and implementation of business cases by which climate-smart agriculture interventions are integrated into the value chain from an agronomic, financial, and gender-inclusive perspective.

A: PERSONAL OBJECTIVE

To empower men, women, and youths farmers with rural agricultural innovational skills and knowledge in commercial agriculture to promote market-oriented production and climate-resilient Agribusiness for the next generation.

B: ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Year	Institution	Award
2017-2020	Busitema University, Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Sciences, Arapai Campus.	Bachelor of Agribusiness Degree
2015-2016	Mbale Senior Secondary School	Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education
2011-2014	Bukedea Senior Secondary School	Uganda Certificate of Education
2004-2010	Bukedea Primary School	Primary Leaving Education

C: Conferences/Workshops/Training attended.

- Attended an Internal Capitalization workshop on how cooperatives can self-finance their business operations organized by Agriterra Organization on 21th-24th October 2021 in Pretoria Hotel.
- Research Methods Support Virtual Seminar series by Statistics for Sustainable Development supported by the McKnight Foundation under the Collaborative Research Program-CCRP February-May 2021
- Presented Cassava Pests and Diseases in Teso farming systems during the Ecological Pests and Diseases Zoom Workshop supported by the McKnight Foundation under the

Collaborative Research Program in the Farmer Research Network system. YouTube link: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLxJW9PRHwOCzG0Lm78bSz39W2_dKBhsU0.

- Attended Research Basic filming Virtual Workshop supported by McKnight Foundation film team and Created a short Film about Youth Engagement in Farmer Research Network in February-May 2021. Created short film link: https://youtu.be/QYvi5_zGln8.
- Training course on Data Management, Statistics for Sustainable Development, and McKnight Foundation.

D: Language Proficiency

Language	Spoken	Written
English	Fluent	Fluent
Kiswahili	Fair	Fair
Ateso	Fluent	Fluent
Luganda	Fluent	Fair

E: EXPERIENCE/ EMPLOYMENT RECORD

Period	Position Held	Roles and Responsibilities
June–August 2018	Agribusiness specialist Apprentice Bukedea District Local Government, Commercial department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Farmer group establishment and formation Business plans development for the proposed business cases. - Farmer Capacity Building value addition technologies and strengthening the market linkages. - Provide technical support on planning, implementation, and monitoring of agribusiness activities in the district. - Documentation of best practices and lessons learned of projects.
March-April 2019	Research Assistant National Agriculture Research Organization, (NARO)/(NaSSARI) Mung bean Project on	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conducting project market surveys - Conducted a farmer-focused group discussion on access to market and market information. - Market Data collection, compiling, analysis, and reporting. - Proper Administration of Research Ethics.
June-Aug 2019	Tissue Culture Apprentice SENAI Bio-science Lab on local seed business.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordinating Rapid Cassava and Sweet Potato in the Multiplication project in Local Seed Business. - Coordination of the Cassava Phytosanitation section. - Capacity building of farmer groups in seed multiplication to strengthen local seed businesses.

<p>Feb-March 2020</p>	<p>Research Assistant Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries- Agriculture Cluster Development Project E-voucher input system. (ACDP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data collection and reporting on input accessibility - Proper administration of Research Ethics. - Mobilization of the respondents. - Organizing survey debriefs to craft resolutions to fix encountered fields issues.
<p>Aug-Sept 2021</p>	<p>Value Chain Analysis Consultant. Church of Uganda-Teso Dioceses Planning and Development Office (COU-TEDDO)/Busitema University</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Train study resource persons, pre-test tools, and refinement of end of value chain analysis protocols - Undertake the value chain study and analysis within the project target sub-counties and districts and others as may be relevant to the economic performance of the value chains. - Conduct Key Informant Interviews (KIIs) with relevant stakeholders - Carry out data collection, entry, analysis, and interpretation - Be responsible for the work of local researchers during the execution of the value chain study and analysis.
<p>2019- 2020</p>	<p>Agribusiness Assistant Development Officer. Popular knowledge Women's Initiative Farmer Cooperative (P'KWI) /CRAFT-SNV project.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marketing of cooperative's sunflower products - Training farmers CSA practices using the Climate Smart Farmer Field School Extension Methodology. - Development of cooperative Annual production work plans and monitoring and implementing project activities - Diagnose constraints in the delivery of agribusiness technical skills and enterprises and develop options. - Development Business Proposals for Investment.
<p>2020-2021</p>	<p>Agriculture Extension Officer P'KWI farmer to farmer Cooperative</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conducted Cassava Local seed Business under the Cassava Screen House with Collaborative Crop project. - Farmer capacity Building on financial literacy, Agronomy, Market-Oriented production, and gender Inclusiveness. - Conducting Farmer Research Network under the McKnight Foundation program.

		- Support increased access to and use of market information
Aug-Sept 2021	Research Assistant Climate Smart Agribusiness Baseline Survey For PKWI Business Champion (CRAFT/SNV)	Organizing data enumerators and farmers to collect data regarding are aware, understanding, and practicing Climate Smart Agriculture for mapping and stakeholder analysis purposes.
January - Up-to-date	Teaching Assistant Busitema University Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Sciences, Arapai Campus, Soroti. Department of Agribusiness and Extension	Teaching Course units: - BAB 1102: Agribusiness Management - DCP 1106: Principles of Agriculture Economics - CGA 1107: Agricultural Economics)

F: Capacity build and interaction experiences

I have also worked with different farmer organizations in skilling them so as to adopt good agro-ecological and climate-smart agricultural practices so to increase adaptation, food security, productivity, and mitigation to climate change as well as market-oriented production.

G: Acquired skills

- ✚ Computer literacy (Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and internet application)
- ✚ Research Methodology skills and Management skills
- ✚ Research proposal and business plan development skills.
- ✚ Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- ✚ Teamwork with the different multidisciplinary categories of people
- ✚ Data Analysis skills using different Statistical Packages.
- ✚ Farmer Advocacy, lobbying, and Consultation skills

H: PUBLICATIONS/JOURNAL

Kongai, Hellen; **Ochom, Geoffrey**; Asero, Diana; Rubaihayo, Patrick (2022), Effects of floods on smallholder crop production in Eastern Uganda.

<http://hdl.handle.net/20.500.12283/883>

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