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Profile Summary

Impact-driven and analytical professional, passionate about leveraging data-driven insights and strategic thinking to empower businesses and governments, advancing food security and technology in Africa and beyond.

Work Experience

Technical Analyst at Kifiya Financial Technology PLC (2025-03-10 - 2028-11-30)

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Responsibilities: • Data collection and analysis: collect and compile data and information from diverse sources, including conducting market research at the nexus of technology and access to finance, access to markets, and agriculture. Leverages data insights to inform decision-making and drive business improvements.

- Synthesis and analysis: synthesize, and analyze data and information from diverse sources to identify trends and insights on market gaps, business opportunities and challenges and social impact.
- Project Oversight: Manages project delivery, timelines, and resource allocation to ensure projects are completed on schedule and within scope.
- Reporting and knowledge translation: Develop use-focused knowledge products, including research summaries, briefing notes, presentations, events, data and concept visualizations and diagrams, reports and inputs other publications.
- Collaboration: Identify and liaise with key internal and external stakeholders to identify and pursue opportunities for collaboration. Coordinate and align with multiple business teams to define information/evidence needs, gather inputs and ensure outputs are relevant and use-focused.
- Business development: Contribute to business and partnership development and program design, including developing concept notes and partnership proposals.
- Quality assurance: Ensure the accuracy and reliability of analyses, and constent, transparent documentation of sources, methods and limitations.
- Stakeholder Communication: Acts as a bridge between clients, project teams, and stakeholders, ensuring clear, consistent updates and alignment.
- Risk Management: Identifies, assesses, and mitigates project risks to avoid delays or cost overruns.
- Process Improvement: Continuously refines project processes and best practices to enhance efficiency and output quality.

Project Manager at Precise Consult International PLC (2023-12-01 - 2025-03-07)

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Responsibilities: • Leading a four-year program that uses decentralized renewable energy to boost incomes, empower women, improve nutrition, and create jobs through an ecosystem-building approach.

- Led a \$210,000 program that leverages off-grid energy solutions to empower underserved communities, enhancing access to better livelihoods, reduced CO2 emissions, and youth job opportunities.
- Secured a \$500,000 project by designing an innovative subscription-based farming model that enhances how farmers receive payments for their produce.
- Pioneered a financing scheme with 4 financial institutions to increase the adoption of solar productive use solutions

among farmers, promoting sustainable practices and agricultural productivity.

• Led the coordination of 11 internal teams, interns, and external consultants across 4 projects, ensuring effective and efficient outcomes with significant community impact.

Project Coordinator at Precise Consult International PLC (2023-05-01 - 2023-11-30)

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Responsibilities: • Developed and implemented a \$350,000 market development strategy that led to a five-fold increase in farmers' income.

- Developed a five-year National Poultry Program with regional governments and research institutes to transform the sector and address childhood stunting.
- Coordinated and authored comprehensive reports for two \$650,000 agricultural market solution projects, successfully communicatingkey results and driving effective implementation.
- Conducted a baseline assessment within a 6,000-resident island community, providing actionable insights to inform and guide targeted development initiatives.

Analyst at Precise Consult International PLC (2022-12-01 - 2023-04-30)

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Responsibilities: • Secured a \$220,000 concessional loan from a bank to enhance urban poultry through youth employment initiatives, achieving 60% women entrepreneurs. Demonstrated strong presentation and negotiation skills throughout the process.

- Coordinated an IFC coaching program (Agribusiness Leadership Program) to enhance the leadership and business management skills of Malt Barley Aggregators.
- Conducted research and analysis, identifying growth opportunities and developing solutions for the poultry sector.

Junior Analyst (Young Leaders Development Program) at Precise Consult International PLC (2021-12-06 - 2022-Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Responsibilities: • Managed data collection, research, and focus group discussions among 50+ stakeholders for IFC's oilseed value chain analysis study.

- Utilized data-driven problem-solving and critical thinking to develop innovative solutions for IFC's oilseed value chain analysis study.
- Authored 18 informative newsletters and led the redesign and coordination of the company newsletter, resulting in a 230% subscriber increase, demonstrating communication and project management skills.

Education

Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering

Institution: Addis Ababa University | Dates: 2016-10-04 - 2028-11-30

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Certification/Online Courses in Data Analytics

Institution: Explore AI Academy & Alx | Dates: 2023-04-04 - 2023-12-21

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Certification/Online Courses in Project Management Professional

Institution: Rened Consultancy and Trading PLC | Dates: 2023-08-01 - 2023-09-08

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Certification/Online Courses in The Fundamental of ALP Coaching

Institution: International Finance Corporation | Dates: 2023-08-22 - 2023-08-24

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Certification/Online Courses in Accenture - Project Management Job Simulation

Institution: Forage - Accenture | Dates: 2023-09-22 - 2023-09-30

Location: Online

Skills & Tools

Skills: Leadership, Project Management, Creative Problem-Solving, Data Analysis & Presentation, Strategy Development, Analytical Thinking, Quantitative and Qualitative Research, Strong Verbal and Written Communication, Attention to Detail, Effective Team Communication, Stakeholder Engagement & Partnership Building, Taking Initiative, Adaptability, Reporting and knowledge dissemination.

Tools: MS Office, Google Workspace, Power BI.

Languages

Amharic (Native); English (Fluent); Spanish (A1)

Awards & Certificates

Certificate of Recognition - Great Distinction from Addis Ababa University (2021-10-09)

Description: For completing a Bachelor of Science study and Chemical Engineering with Great Distinction