

## CURRICULUM VITAE

1. **Family name:** LAURENSE
2. **First names:** Alida Albertine
3. **Date of birth:** 20-01-1953
4. **Passport holder:** The Netherlands
5. **Education:**

Institution [ Date from - Date to ]	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
MDF-ESA (Arusha, TZ) 03/2007 and 06/2006	Project Management
Wageningen University 09/2004 – 06/2005	Post-graduate courses in Organic Agriculture and Communication and Innovation Science,
Danida Training Center, (Hornbæk, DK) 08/2000	Programme Management,
MDF (Ede, NL) 01/1991 and 06/1984	Project Management and Programme Administration
Wageningen University, 09/1971 - 09/1978	Ir. Landbouwwetenschappen (MSc Agricultural Sciences) Majors: Tropical Pest Management, Tropical Agriculture

6. **Language skills:** (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Dutch	1	1	1
English	1	1	1
French	1	2	3
German	2	2	3

7. **Membership of professional bodies:** NEDWORC Association, (Netherlands Association of Development Cooperation Experts); Global FFS Network
8. **Other skills:** Programme and project management; monitoring and evaluation; impact assessment; designing and leading training programmes; facilitation of participatory learning processes; support of farmer group formation. Computer skills.
9. **Present position:** Independent consultant
10. **Years within the firm:** 11 years
11. **Key qualifications:** Ms. Laurensen is a Senior Expert in sustainable agricultural production and extension methodologies. She has over 35 years' experience with the development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of farmer training, rural development and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) programmes in Asia and Africa. As long- and short- term consultant she assisted several bilateral and multilateral donors in the set-up, management, evaluation and impact assessment as well as with further project development of agricultural production related rural development programmes in South- and Eastern Africa, Northern Africa and South-East Asia.

Ms. Laurensen successfully assisted national counterparts to apply and further develop participatory extension methods and assisted in the capacity building of the local staff and farmers. She worked intensively on the development and empowerment of farmer organisations through FFS. She has hands-on experience with gender mainstreaming. She developed and applies participatory monitoring and evaluation methodologies capturing the essential elements, technical, social and economic, of the extension approaches.

During her assignments in Tanzania and South-East Asia she was involved in supporting farmer groups interested in production and marketing of organically produced rice and other crops.

## 12. Specific international experience:

<i>Country</i>	<i>Date: from - to</i>	<i>Name of the project</i>
Mozambique	November 2012	FAO contribution to the EU funded project: 'Accelerate progress towards MDG1 in Mozambique'
Bangladesh	June 2012	Agricultural Growth and Employment Programme (DANIDA)
Bangladesh	April – September 2011	Agricultural Sector Programme Support for Bangladesh (DANIDA)
Vietnam	Dec. 2009 – June 2010	Western Nghe An Rural Development Project (LuxDev)
Myanmar	Sept. 2009	Support for Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Livelihoods in Northern Rakhine State of Myanmar (FAO)
Egypt	Jan – June 2009	Fayoum Farmer Field School Project (Netherlands Embassy)
Rwanda	Oct – Dec 2008	Integrated Pest Management Project (BTC)
India	June – Aug 2008	Promoting livelihoods improvements in dry land farming in the Deccan Plateau. (FAO)
Egypt	Feb – May 2008	Fayoum Farmer Field School Project (Netherlands Embassy)
Tanzania	Sept 2006 – Dec 2007	AgroEco Tanzania Branch. Export of Organic Products from Africa (SIDA) project
Bangladesh	July – Aug. 2006	Strengthening the Plant Protection Services Component of DANIDA's Agricultural Sector Programme Support for Bangladesh
Mozambique	Aug. – Sept. 2005	Identification and formulation Mission for IPM activities in "Project Prevention and Disposal of Obsolete Pesticide Stocks in Mozambique" (FAO)
Ethiopia	Oct. – Nov. 2004	Identification Mission for IPM activities in "Project Prevention and Disposal of Obsolete Pesticide Stocks in Ethiopia" (FAO)
S and S-E Asia	Aug. 2004	Evaluation Mission FAO-EU IPM Programme for Cotton in Asia (FAO)
Cambodia	Sept. 2000 – July 2004	Cambodian Integrated Pest Management Farmer Training Project. Part of the Natural Resource Management component of the DANIDA National Resource and Environmental (NRE) Programme.
Egypt	May 1998 – June 2000	Fayoum Horticultural Development Project (Netherlands Embassy)
Zanzibar (Tanzania)	Jan. 1991- May 1998	Project Strengthening the Plant Protection Division of Zanzibar (Netherlands Government)
Niger	Nov. 1988 – Dec. 1990	Projet de Formation en Protection des Végétaux (Netherlands Government)
The Gambia	Sept. 1984 – April 1988	Project Strengthening the Plant Protection Service of the Gambia (FAO)
Sudan	March 1979 – Sept. 1981	Project Strengthening the Plant Protection Service of the Gambia (FAO)

### 13. Professional experience:

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10-2010 – present	Netherlands	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	Programme Officer, Netherlands JPO Programme (part time)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative Management of the Netherlands JPO Programme with Multilateral Partner Institutions(mainly UN)</li> <li>• Assessment of Job Descriptions</li> <li>• Monitoring and evaluation of selected candidates</li> <li>• Monitoring and evaluation of reports, budgets and accounts of Partner Organisations</li> </ul>
11-2012	Mozambique	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	International Extension/Farmer Field School expert	Assist in finalization of FAO's contribution to the EU-MDGi programme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review and analysis of FFS experience in Mozambique (Government, FAO and NGOs)</li> <li>• Identification of existing and required capacity and needs for capacity development with Government institutions and NGOs</li> <li>• Proposal for M&amp;E system</li> </ul>
06-2012	Bangladesh	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	Gender Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improvement of the Integrated Farm Management Component (IFMC) Description of the forthcoming Agricultural Growth and Empowerment Programme from gender and rights perspective.</li> <li>• Development of a gender strategy for the IFMC, as annex to the component Description</li> </ul>
04-2011 – 09-2011	Bangladesh	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	International Expert on Agriculture and FFS Approaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluation of the Farmer Field School (extension) Approach in Danida's ASPS II programme in Bangladesh, including literature study on global FFS approach developments.</li> </ul>

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12-2009 – 06-2010	Vietnam	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	Agricultural Extension and Economic Development Specialist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identification of training capacity and -needs of provincial and district project partners</li> <li>• Identification of training needs of farmers</li> <li>• Development of training curriculum and content of training for farmers and trainers</li> <li>• Strengthen application of participatory methods and approaches amongst farmers and trainers</li> <li>• Identification and assistance in development of livelihood improving/income generating activities</li> </ul>
09-2009	Myanmar	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	Agronomist and Extension Expert	<p>Mid-term project evaluation: Reviewed the status and quality of work on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crop intensification and diversification including the development of water harvesting and localised small scale irrigation</li> <li>• Livelihood diversification and enterprise development including small scale livestock production (chicken, pig and goat), value adding opportunities and bio-gas;</li> <li>• Capacity building, institutional strengthening and sustainability related to community level organizations and support service providers;</li> <li>• Addressing the needs of most vulnerable groups, in particular poor female headed household; extent and quality of women's participation in projects' activities, including access to projects' resources and benefits.</li> </ul> <p>The mission made proposals for necessary further action to ensure sustainable development.</p>
01-2009 – 06-2009	Egypt	BMB Mott MacDonald, Arnhem NL. Caroline Backer. <a href="mailto:Caroline.Backer@mottmac.nl">Caroline.Backer@mottmac.nl</a>	FFS Training Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor and evaluate the facilitation- and coaching skills of the project's field staff</li> <li>• Analyse and adjust the content of the basic training course for facilitators</li> <li>• Assist the project's master trainers in upgrading and implementation of training of new facilitators</li> <li>• Preparation of the training manual of the ToT course</li> <li>• Assist the project management in achieving the bottom-up focus of the project</li> <li>• Assist in the establishment of Farmer Groups and the training of selected Village Promoters/Farmer Facilitators</li> </ul>
11-2008 – 12-2008	Rwanda	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	IPM-FFS Training Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inventory of available knowledge and experience with Integrated Pest Management in Rwanda,</li> <li>• Development of training curriculum on Integrated Crop Management for trainers and farmers.</li> <li>• Initiation and preparation of the introduction and institutionalisation of the Farmer Field School approach in Rwanda.</li> <li>• Preparation of the Terms of References for deployments of International Master Trainers for the first Training of Trainers courses and for training of Rwandan Master Trainers capacity.</li> </ul>

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06-2008 – 08-2008	India	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	Impact Assessment Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluation of the impact of the use of the Farmer Field School approach within the FAO project 'Promoting livelihoods improvements in dryland farming in the Deccan Plateau' as implemented by the AME Foundation (NGO, Bangalore)</li> <li>Special attention to changes in participants' livelihoods, gender issues and –equity, capacity building of participants and rural population in general, sustainability and self reliance of supported groups</li> </ul>
02-2008 – 05-2008	Egypt	BMB Mott MacDonald, Arnhem NL Caroline Backer. <a href="mailto:Caroline.Backer@mottmac.nl">Caroline.Backer@mottmac.nl</a>	FFS Training Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of capacity and training needs of project staff.</li> <li>Training of the Project Senior staff – Master Trainers</li> <li>Supervision of Training of District Trainers by Master Trainers</li> <li>Evaluation and update of training curricula of FFS trainers.</li> <li>Design of FFS curricula, include development of Farmer Groups.</li> <li>Institutionalisation of FFS approach in rural development through capacity building of local farmer facilitators.</li> <li>Contribute to the Project inception report</li> </ul>
09-2006 - 12-2007	Tanzania	AgroEco- Louis Bolk Institute, Driebergen. NL Boudweijn van Elzakker <a href="mailto:b.vanelzakker@loisibolk.org">b.vanelzakker@loisibolk.org</a>	Branch Unit Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Management of the AgroEco Branch office in Tanzania.</li> <li>Coordination, supervision, monitoring and evaluation of by the company implemented projects.</li> <li>Financial management of programmes and projects and reporting to donors and clients.</li> <li>Supervision, development and capacity building of staff of co-workers.</li> <li>Promotion and introduction of organic agricultural through the initiation and implementation of projects in the field of organic and sustainable agriculture.</li> <li>Preparation of training modules</li> </ul>
07-2006 - 08-2006	Bangladesh	Nedworc Foundation, Bunnik NL Mr. Rolf Posthouwer. <a href="mailto:office@nedworcfoundation.nl">office@nedworcfoundation.nl</a>	Impact Assessment Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of the impact of the Danida's SPSS component activities in Integrated Pest Management included environmental, economic, socio, political and institutional aspects.</li> <li>Special attention to Danida's cross-cutting issues (e.g. gender).</li> </ul>
08-2005 – 09-2005	Mozambique	FAO	Integrated Pest Management Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of proposal for two pilot projects on cotton- and vegetable IPM to help to catalyse the uptake of IPM by smallholder farmers.</li> <li>Assessment of past and ongoing IPM and FFS initiatives</li> </ul>
10-2004 – 11-2004	Ethiopia	FAO	Integrated Pest Management Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of proposal for a pilot project on cotton-IPM to assist the government to catalyse the uptake of IPM by smallholder farmers using the FFS approach.</li> <li>Assessment of past and ongoing IPM activities in vegetables and cotton</li> <li>Evaluation of local FFS initiatives.</li> <li>Contacts established with cotton-IPM programmes in India and Pakistan.</li> </ul>

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08-2004 – 09-2004	S & SE Asia	FAO	IPM specialist of Evaluation Mission FAO-EU IPM Programme for Cotton in Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of the efficiency and adequacy of the project through field surveys and report analysis.</li> <li>Assessment of technical and socio-economic impact at farmer- and regional level.</li> <li>Proposals for sustainable future IPM-FFS activities</li> </ul>
09-2000 – 06-2004	Cambodia	Danida (DK)	Senior Programme Advisor / IPM Advisor Project Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advise to the National IPM Programme concerning programme development and strategic planning.</li> <li>Initiation of innovative topics and approaches to increase the impact and the sustainability in the National IPM Programme.</li> <li>Expansion of the FFS approach into a broader Community development tool.</li> <li>Development of a participatory monitoring and impact assessment system.</li> <li>Introduction of integrated rice-fish-culture in the programme activities.</li> <li>Initiation and supervision of Impact Assessment studies.</li> <li>Donor coordination related to the development and establishment of ecological- and organic agriculture.</li> <li>Implementation and management of the Danida IPM Farmer Training Project.</li> <li>Staff training and coaching.</li> </ul>
05-1998 – 05-2000	Egypt	Euroconsult-Mott MacDonald, Arnhem NL (Royal Netherlands Embassy)	Team Leader /IPM Extension Specialist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Management of the Horticultural Development Project.</li> <li>Refocusing the project through the development and introduction of an IPM-FFS programme with illiterate female vegetable farmers.</li> <li>Training and coaching of project staff on IPM and FFS methodologies.</li> <li>Initiation and supervision of Impact Assessment study.</li> <li>Preparation of a follow-up project.</li> <li>Production of a video on the implementation of IPM-FFS with illiterate female farmers.</li> </ul>
01-1991 – 05-1998	Tanzania	DGIS and Wageningen University (DGIS)	Plant Protection/IPM Training Specialist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advise to the Plant Protection Service of Zanzibar on IPM training and extension approaches.</li> <li>Introduction of IPM-FFS approach in rice, vegetables, banana cowpea and cassava.</li> <li>Training and coaching of the staff on crop protection topics and FFS methodologies.</li> <li>Development and supervision of on-farm trials with farmers.</li> <li>Establishing international contacts with IPM programmes and IPM experts in Africa and Asia.</li> </ul>
11-1988 – 12-1990	Niger	DGIS	Lecturer Entomology and Ecology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Curriculum development and teaching of BSc level courses in applied entomology and ecology for technical assistants of Crop Protection Services of the West African Sahel countries.</li> <li>Writing of ecology course handout. Preparations of the next project phase</li> </ul>

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04-1987 – 03-1988	The Gambia	FAO	Advisor in Grasshopper Control Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assisting the Gambian Government - Crop Protection Service - in preparation and execution of the 1987 grasshopper control campaign.</li> <li>Supervision of pest survey activities during the campaign.</li> <li>Preparation of local survey handbook.</li> </ul>
09-1984 – 03-1987	The Gambia	FAO	Associate Expert Entomology and Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research and training on IPM of millet pests in the Gambia.</li> <li>Assisting the local Crop Protection Service Training Officer in training activities</li> </ul>
05-1982 – 12-1982	The Netherlands	Wageningen University	Scientific Officer Entomology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research on population dynamics and biological control of Maize aphids,</li> <li>Curriculum development Entomology Department</li> </ul>
03-1979 – 09-1981	Sudan	DGIS	Lecturer Crop Protection – Pest Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establishment of the Pest Management department of the University.</li> <li>Curriculum development and teaching of courses in entomology and nematology for BSc students</li> </ul>

#### 14. Other relevant information

- Initiator and Coordinator of the Cambodian Forum for Organic Agriculture, 2001 - 2004