Kibrewosen Zewdu **Belay**

Remote Sensing and Hydrology Expert

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Summary

A detail-oriented water professional with a Master's in Hydroinformatics and over 4 years of effective hands-on experience in Remote Sensing, Hydrology, and Sustainable Water Resources Management. Specializing in water systems optimization and the development of decision support tools.

Extensive experience in leading platform development and capacity building projects in multicultural project environment for the benefit of communities in Sub-Sharan Africa and the Middle East.

Education

2017-2019 IHE DELFT INSTITUTE FOR WATER EDUCATION

MSC, HYDROINFORMATICS

RESEARCH AREA: Water Resources Management: Water System Optimization

THESIS: Optimization of Transboundary reservoir system in the Nile basin: The Tekeze - Atbara case study

2009-2014 ARBAMINCH UNIVERSITY

BSC, HYDRAULIC AND WATER RESOURCES ENGINEERING

RESEARCH AREA: Hydrologic Modeling

THESIS: Bedessa watershed Rainfall-Runoff Modelling using HEC-HMS

Work Experience

JAN2023-CURRENT REMOTE SENSING AND HYDROLOGY EXPERT [FULL TIME]

iMMAP Iraq
Baghdad

Project lead for Developing the River Basin Monitoring System for Tigris and Euphrates Rivers in Iraq
Responsibilities: Provide technical support, Oversee platform development, GIS training design and delivery

JUL2014-JAN2023 LECTURER AND RESEARCHER IN HYDROINFORMATICS [FULL TIME]

University of Gondar
Institute of Technology, Gondar, Ethiopia

Lecturer under the Department of Hydraulic and Water Resources Engineering
Responsibilities: Lecturing undergraduate courses, Teaching assistance for post-graduate classes, Research and community service

JAN2022-JAN2023 GIS EXPERT [PART TIME]

ABEK Business Group
Water Consultancy, Gondar, Ethiopia

Project : Soil Survey and Land Suitability Evaluation Consultancy Service for Adaa and Becho Groundwater Irrigation Development and Rural Development Project
Responsibilities: Geospatial data processing, Analysis and Visualization/Map making

MAY2022-JAN2023 DEREJA ACADEMY ACCELERATOR PROGRAM (DAAP) TRAINING FACILITATOR [PART TIME]

Dereja.com
InfoMind Solutions, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Training facilitator for young fresh graduates on self-development and employability skill training
Responsibilities: Facilitating training for 8 consecutive weeks, Follow up and weekly reporting

Volunteering

JUL 2022-CURRENT AMHARIC TRANSLATOR [PART TIME]

onewater.
many stories

https://onewater.blue/

Responsiblities: Translating articles to Amharic for better outreach

Teaching Experience

2014- 2019 UNDERGRADUATE: CIVIL AND WATER ENGINEERING

Courses on Basic Hydraulics: Open channel water systems, Hydraulic Structures

Software demonstrations: GIS & Remote Sensing, Software Applications in Hydraulic Engineering

Research/Mentorship: Irrigation and Hydropower Project development final year projects

Laboratory demonstrations: Properties of fluid and hydrostatics experiments

2019- 2023 POSTGRADUATE: HYDRAULIC ENGINEERING

Teaching assistant for Msc. courses : GIS for water management, computer programming applications in Numerical methods and Computational Hydraulics

Training in programming: Msc. Students on application of python in computational hydraulics

Research/Mentorship: Conducted research on Roof-top water harvesting, Groundwater potential mapping, water potential assessment Co-advised two Msc. Students in topics of hydrological modelling and remote sensing

Online teaching: www.youtube.com/@KibrewosenBelay

Research Interest

Water resources planning and management (WRPLM): Machine Learning-Based Web Framework for Enhanced Hydrological Predictions [Emphasis on application for water management decision support tool development]

Honors & Awards

2022 **Orange Knowledge Program (OKP) scholarship:** Linking good land and water governance for lasting food security [Refresher course organized by IHS, Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, Rotterdam,Netherlands]

2021 **Orange Knowledge Program (OKP) scholarship:** Towards sustainable food security [Refresher course   organized by IHS, Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, Rotterdam,Netherlands]

2017 **Netherlands Fellowship Program (NFP):** Full scholarship to attend Msc in Hydroinformatics

Publication

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

2019 Tekeze-Atbara basin regional conference on water related studies [Organized by The hydraulics research center Sudan (HRC-Sudan), **24- 25/03/2019**]

2022 Water Resources under pressure: Challenges and future perspectives for Ethiopian water bodies [Organized by University of Kiel (CAU-Germany), **03- 04/11/2022**]

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2020 Mapping Geotechnical properties of Gondar City Soil [Fully funded research by University of Gondar, **11/10/2020- 20/06/2021**]

2022 Soil Survey and Land Suitability Evaluation Consultancy Service for Adaa and Becho Groundwater Irrigation Development and Rural Development Project[Funded by Ethiopian Ministry of low land and irrigation, **01/01- 30/107/2022**]

Certifications

APR 2023	Cartography. ESRI
MAR 2023	HEAT & First Aid SENTRY SECURITY
NOV 2022	Spatial Data Science: The New Frontier in Analytics. ESRI
JUN 2022	Using Python for Research. edX
MAY 2022	Dereja Academy Accelerator Program Training of Trainers. Dereja.com
MAY 2022	Going Places with Spatial Analysis. ESRI
MAY 2022	Python Basics for Data Science. edX
MAY 2022	AI for Everyone: Master the Basics. edX
MAY 2022	Introduction to Data Science. edX
MAR 2022	Disrupting HydroInformatics. World Bank Group
FEB 2022	Linking good land and water governance for lasting food security. Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam
JUN 2021	Towards sustainable food security. Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam
JUN 2018	Water professionals-IHE modelling lecture series. South Florida Water Management District, U.S.A

Belay Certificates

https://drive.google.com/file/
d/1NDKKLJAy51s3c2B6GCdYcUFnqsGM1Nfu/view?usp=sharing

Skills

LANGUAGE SKILLS

MOTHER TONGUE: Amharic
OTHER LANGUAGE: English. IELTS Proficiency **C1**

WATER RESOURCES MODELLING TOOLS: ADVANCED PROFICIENCY

Python programming, C# programming, / MIKHYDROBasin, MIKE SHE / HEC-HMS, HEC-RAS, HECRessim / QSWAT, ArcGISPro, QGIS / Mullino (multi-criteria analysis), RIBASIM

WATER RESOURCES MODELLING TOOLS: HIGH PROFICIENCY

SQL programming / SOBEK / MODFLOW / WaterGEMS / AUTOCAD / MIKEHYDRORiver, MIKE URBAN

WATER RESOURCES MODELLING TOOLS: MEDIUM PROFICIENCY

EPANET / WEKA (Machine learning) / DrinC (Drought management)

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