CURRICULUM VITAE

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◆ PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Visionary environmental consultant and development expert with over 15 years of multisectoral leadership in climate change, ESG strategy, gender equality, and sustainable development. A consultant committed to inclusive growth, community empowerment and climate-smart solutions. Recognized as a **Master Trainer in Leadership, Entrepreneurship, and Soft Skills**, delivering high-impact capacity-building programs across Africa and Asia. Known for clean energy innovation, youth mobilization, and gender-responsive advisory with awards and fellowships from global institutions including the U.S. State Department and UC Berkeley.

◆ CORE COMPETENCIES

- ESG (Environmental, Social & Governance) Strategy
- Climate Change Adaptation & Resilience
- Gender Mainstreaming & Youth Empowerment
- Clean Energy & Eco-Farm Innovation
- Leadership & Entrepreneurship Training
- Soft Skills Development & Coaching
- Strategic Program Design & Implementation
- Stakeholder Engagement & Policy Advisory
- Curriculum Development & Adult Learning

◆ PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Consultant | Ethiopia |

Lead ESG, environmental, and sustainability consulting services for SMEs and public institutions.

Designed clean energy-based eco-farm models for urban and peri-urban resilience.

• Delivered national-level training on **entrepreneurship**, **green innovation**, **leadership**, **and soft skills** for youth, women-led businesses, and startup founders.

Licensed Consultant & Master Trainer (Freelance) Various Institutions

- Delivered **Training of Trainers** (**ToT**) for national programs on climate-smart leadership and communication.
- Trained thousands of professionals in leadership, entrepreneurship, effective communication, emotional intelligence, and personal development.
- Provided consultancy services on ESG integration and SDG-aligned strategic planning.

Country Director, PHE Ethiopia

- Led national programs that integrate population, health, and environmental sustainability.
- Represented the organization in international forums and managed diverse multistakeholder partnerships.

National Chapter Advisor: World Vision Ethiopia

- Advised national youth empowerment and climate advocacy initiatives.
- Supported youth leadership programs in line with SDG frameworks.

Policy Advisor: Mercy Corps Ethiopia | 2018 – 2019

• Advised the government and partners on climate resilience policy and local governance systems.

Project Manager: Development and Transformation for Ethiopia

Designed and managed women's economic empowerment and agriculture-based livelihoods projects.

Lecturer & Gender Focal Person: G/T/E/H/Sc

- Taught gender studies, Biological sciences and inclusive education.
- Led campus-wide gender advocacy, capacity-building workshops and student development programs.

◆ EDUCATION

PhD –Ecological Sciences Addis Ababa University

- M,A-Project Management- Addis Ababa University
- M.SC. Ecological Sciences- Addis Ababa University
- BSc. Applied Bilogy-Hawasa University

♦ INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS & AWARDS

- **T** Green Future Award Green Workforce Nomination: Council of the Eurasian Women's Forum: Recognized for innovative work in green workforce development and eco-entrepreneurship.
- Y ICT Innovation Competition Winner Women Startup Track: Recognized for Clean Energy-Based Eco-Farm Model Innovation
- US IVLP Fellow U.S. Department of State: *International Visitor Leadership Program* on climate action and sustainability
- Training on environmental justice, sustainable cities, and impact leadership
- Y Social impact Award, India,2025
- Finalist: Enterprise of the year, Africa Impact Summit, 2025

◆ SELECTED SPEAKING & FACILITATION

- **Keynote Speaker** Regional Summits on Climate and Gender
- Trainer Women Leadership and Soft Skills Academies
- **Pitch Presenter** Eco-Farm Innovation | National Jury Awardee
- **Lead Facilitator** "Green Workforce for SMEs" workshops
- Curriculum Developer Youth enterprise and soft skills modules for publication

◆ LANGUAGES

- **Amharic** Native
- **English** Fluent