# Chief of Party - Danish Refugee Council (DRC) (November 2019 - November 2020)

## PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

A visionary and results-driven humanitarian leader with over 22 years of experience in program management, strategic planning, fundraising, and resource mobilization. I have successfully led multi-sectoral initiatives across WASH, shelter, financial inclusion, education, food security, and livelihoods in East Africa. My expertise lies in fostering gender equality, climate resilience, and poverty alleviation. As a thought leader, I have developed shared-value partnerships and driven systemic change by mobilizing resources from institutional donors, private sector actors, and philanthropic organizations. Currently pursuing a PhD in Disaster Management and Sustainable Development, I am committed to addressing the root causes of inequality and poverty through innovative and evidence-based solutions.

## SKILLS

Strategic Leadership & Program Management | Resource Mobilization & Fundraising | Team Leadership & Capacity Building | Partnership Building & Stakeholder Engagement | Financial & Operational Management | Gender and Diversity Sensitivity | Program Design & Impact Measurement | Disaster Risk Reduction & Resilience Building | People and Relationship Management | Operational & Financial Management | Innovation & Adaptability | Advocacy & Thought Leadership | Problem-Solving | Flexibility | Negotiation | Decision Making | Risk Management | Donor Compliance | Shared-Value Partnerships

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Startup Lead | June 2024**

Mercy Corps

* Established and managed a €12M EC-funded food security program, aligning with organizational goals to address poverty and climate change adaptation.
* Led recruitment and development of a diverse program team, fostering a culture of collaboration and accountability.
* Implemented a comprehensive MEAL framework, enhancing program responsiveness and impact measurement.
* Cultivated strategic partnerships with stakeholders, enhancing program reach and sustainability.
* Ensured compliance with donor regulations and financial management standards, safeguarding resources and ensuring transparency.

## EDUCATION

PhD in Disaster Management & Sustainable Development - Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (December 2024)

MSc in Civil Engineering (Environmental Health option) - University of Nairobi (2011)

B.Sc. (Hons) in Civil Engineering - Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (2002)

Diploma in International Environmental Law - United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)

## CERTIFICATIONS

Project and Infrastructure Financing (2024) - The Knowledge Academy

Personal MBA (2023) - Pan African Leadership Institute

Political Economy Analysis in Action (2020) - Overseas Development Institute

System Dynamics Modelling for Business Analysis (2019) - TU Berlin, Germany

People Management Training (2019) - Danish Refugee Council

Advanced System Dynamics (2015) - Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain

GIS and Remote Sensing (2015) - RCMRD, Kenya

Gender Mainstreaming, Harassment at Workplace, and Work Ethics (2014) - UNDP