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Founder and CEO, GREEN DRIVE (EA) LTD

**NATIONALITY: KENYAN** 

**DATE OF BIRTH**: 12<sup>TH</sup> DEC 1966

**SOCIAL ORIENTATION**: Married with two children.

**RESISDENCE**: NAIROBI, KENYA and KIGALI, RWANDA

**CURRENT OCCUPATION**: Consultant, Trainer and Convener in Renewable Energy systems and OD Applications

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**: ASSOCIATION OF BIOGAS CONTRACTORS OF KENYA (ABC-K), SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ACCESS FORUM (SEAF-K) and KENYA BIOGAS STAKEHOLDERS NETWORK (BIO-NET)

# **CURRENT POSITIONS:**

- 1. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GREEN DRIVE (EA) LTD
- 2. SECRETARY: SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ACCESS FORUM (SEAF-K)
- 3. CEO, KENYA BIOGAS STAKEHOLDERS NETWORK (BIO-NET)
- 4. CONVENER: AFRICA COALITION OF ENERGY ACCESS AND SUSTAINABILITY

### **FORMER ROLES:**

- 1. CO-CONVENOR (ISO 13065 BIOENERGY SUSTAINABLE CRITERIA)
- 2. CHAIRMAN, KEBS TC 092 BIOGAS STANDARDS COMMITTEE
- 3. CEO, ASSOCIATION OF BIOGAS CONTRACTORS OF KENYA (ABC-K)
- 4. SECRETARY, KENYA RENEWABLE ENERGY ASSOCIATION (KEREA)
- 5. CORDINATOR: PRIVATE SECTOR ROUND TABLE OF EAST AFRICA ON STANDARDIZATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

### **EDUCATIONIONAL BACKGROUND:**

IT SLIGO, BSC (ENVIROMENTAL MANAGEMENT) - 2017; UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI, CIVIL ENGINEERING- 1992; STAREHE BOYS CENTER AND SCHOOL- 1988

**OTHER COURSES**: BIOGAS CONSTRUCTION (2007), PERSONAL SKILLS

DEVELOPMENT and OD (2011), GREEN ENERGY AND CARBON MARKETS, Danish

Technical University (2013) under UNEP-DTU PARNERSHIP

#### **RECENT ASSIGNMENTS**

**June-July 2010:** Contracted by **GVEP** to train in green technology and financing for various SMEs and financial institutions in Kenya and Uganda

**2012-2013:** Management of **Business Advocacy Fund** to develop Kenya biogas standards for domestic systems.

**2011-2015**: Co-convener of ISO 13065 Standards on development of Sustainability Criteria for Bioenergy

**2016-2017**: Development of Concept Note for Kenya Biogas Master Plan and establishment of Kenya Biogas Stakeholders Network

**2017-To date**: Development of County Energy Outlook for Kitui County

# **MOST RECENT PAPERS:**

- The Case for a Strong BMO for Greater Biogas Development in Kenya (Nepal as example): April 2014
- Understanding Bioenergy Value Chains and Gaps in Kenya: March 2016

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