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# Summary

A strategic national clean cooking development specialist with a keen interest in gender and co-creation development programs, especially women empowerment. Possess over 20 year’s entrepreneurship experience in various fields within Kenya. A firm believer of women/girl child empowerment, community transformation initiatives that encourage sustainable development, which impacts households and societies, socially, economically and environmentally, particularly in rural areas and refugee settings. Rational and systematic in overseeing high quality delivery of programs, offering leadership and overall management. Committed to seeing results and delivery, through execution of well thought out technical support and advisory.

# Areas of competencies

* Able to work creatively and effectively to drive country/county programs quality and improvement, capacity building of socio-economic and humanitarian needs of vulnerable people.
* Confident in maintaining of relationships with National and county government.
* Excellent presentation, facilitation, planning, interpersonal and problem solving skills.
* Systems thinker with ability to see the bigger picture.
* A very fast learner that enjoys overcoming challenges and can work under pressure.
* Excellent command of Microsoft Office suite.
* High level of communication skills at internal and external levels across all English speaking organizational structure.
* Excellent analytical skills with ability to analyze situations accurately and effectively with commanding experience in staff.

# Educational and Professional qualifications

* 1984 – 1987 Nkabune Girls’ Commercial Technical School:-
* 1988 – 1990 The Eldoret Polytechnic – Diploma in Business Administration.

### “O” Level Certificate (KCE) Division II

### Kenya Business Education – Certificate

#### Typewriting

#### Office Practice

# Trainings

* The Moth Global Community Storytelling Program (Gender Equity)
* Goldman Sachs 10,000 Women – Coursera Course
* A mentee in Cherie Blaire Foundation Women Mentorship Program
* 2016 to date - International Trade Centre Courses, acquired 35 Certificate in various Entrepreneurship Topics

# Work Experience

2016 to date – Founded Nyalore Impact

Clean energy entrepreneurs, working in rural Kenya and humanitarian community setting to close the clean energy poverty gap among the poor and vulnerable.

**Responsibilities**

Managing organization operations

Coordinating programs

Environment advocacy

2013 – 2018 Kedo Solutions Limited

Agribusiness Company working with smallholder farmers in Ndhiwa sub county Homa Bay County on Soya Bean Farming. Worked as operations manager from its inception and later as Social Impact Coordinator, Marketing and Public Relation.

**Responsibility**

Staff recruitment

Managerial duties

Sensitize smallholder farmers on Soya Bean agribusiness, as the main economic activity for social impact at household and societal level

Preparing monthly/quarterly department activities schedule

Preparing department budgets

Writing monthly/yearly reports

Marketing Company products

2000 - 2013 Neolife International Ltd.,

A Nutritional Supplement manufacturer

**Responsibilities**

Recruiting new members

Marketing/sales of the products

1998 – 1999 Poultry farming/Salon/Tailoring

Worked as the proprietor and gaining entrepreneurial experience at an early age.

1994 - 1997 Catholic Diocese of Eldoret

Finance Administrator

**Responsibility**

Keeping books of accounts

Secretarial duties

Preparing staff salaries

1993 - 1994 Bellhouse Mwangi Ernst & Young

An Audit firm

Secretary/Computer operator Eldoret

**Responsibilities**

Secretarial duties

Computerizing clients books of accounts

## Achievements

**2018 NetFund Award Finalist:**

* A trophy 2nd Runner Up Clean Cooking Category – Technologies
* Certificate of Excellence for outstanding work in promoting access to clean, affordable and sustainable energy in Kenya.

**Other achievements:**

* Attend Safe Workshop in Ethiopia July 28th - 31st, 2019
* Attended South to South Cooperation workshop in Nairobi as a clean energy entrepreneur to share my experience working in rural Kenya.
* Attended SE4ALL Forum 2018 leaving no one behind Lisbon, as a last mile distributor working in rural Kenya, shared my experience and challenges faced by women as clean energy entrepreneurs.
* Attended Sustainable Rural Bioenergy Solutions in Africa, shared my experience as last mile distributor in Kenya
* Attended the clean cooking forum 2017 New Delhi, had a firsthand experience of important sector issues, had opportunity to learn so much from other women clean energy entrepreneurs and came back home more knowledgeable with a lot to share with fellow women/organization in clean energy.
* Trained 45 women/youths in Sotik – Bomet County, Chemagel Builders on Entrepreneurship (Lake Victoria Cluster Manager assignment)
* Held a Behavior Change Communication Awareness training in Homa Bay targeting CHEW and CHVs as agents/ambassadors of change in the communities at grassroots levels, and came up with promotional materials on clean cookstoves for use in community outreach.
* Represented GIZ EnDev in Kericho and Nandi Zawadi Coffee Launch show casing the clean cookstoves and their benefits to the public
* Trained 30 groups in Homa Bay (over 300 people) on Clean energy, distributed 100 clean cookstoves, 1.5 tons of carbonized briquettes and installed institutional stoves
* Formed strong collaboration with other stakeholder organizations both locally and nationally (World Vision Lambwe, Seek, Badilisha CBO, Gembe CFA CBO, GIZ EnDev Program,Energy4Impact, Practical Action, GACC, Homa Bay County etc.)
* Active member of CCAK and GACC
* As a social impact coordinator assisted Kedo Solutions increase smallholder farmer participation in Soya Bean Agribusiness to 500 farmers to date benefiting 2500 lives directly. To date Kedo Solutions is a stable Company offering employment to 50 staff most of them youths both female and male
* Received 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 1 Bronze medals for exemplarily marketing work at Neolife Limited and recruiting of new members
* Nyalore Impact is offering employment to 8 staff i.e 4 women, 2 youths and 2 men currently, since 2016
* Nyalore Impact works with local women groups in the whole clean cookcooking value chain, offering market linkage and advice. This was featured in KTN news on 3rd May 2018 both at 7pm and 9pm news
* I work very closely with Lake Victoria Cluster Manager especially in trainings, attending meetings and other forums within the cluster areas.

**Policy**

* Actively participated in Policy formulation Ministry of Energy – Homa Bay County
* Participated in training Homa Bay County MCAs Energy Committee members to assist pass the Energy Policy at the assembly in Kisumu City

**Referees**

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