

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

NAME : David Kepue Nkedianye

Date of Birth : December 20th, 1963

NATIONALITY : Kenyan

MARITAL STATUS : Married

LANGUAGES SPOKEN: Maa, English, Kiswahili (Proficient in all).

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A: Educational qualifications

PhD Student

The University of Edinburgh, U.K: August 2005-August 2008

Field of study: Pastoralism, Land-use and Conservation

Title of current study: "Drought-induced changes and Policy impacts on Pastoralist Livelihoods and the role of Protected Areas among the Maasai of East Africa"

M.A. 2004: University of Nairobi

Rural Sociology and Community Development

Thesis Title: "Testing the Attitudinal Impact of a Conservation Tool outside a Protected Area: The Case of the Kitengela Wildlife Conservation Lease program for Nairobi National Park"; Unpublished.

PGDPM 1999: The Catholic University of Eastern Africa, Nairobi- Kenya

(Post Graduate Diploma in Planning and Management of Development Projects)

B.ED 1998: The Catholic University of Eastern Africa-Kenya

(Social Education and Ethics, Christian Religious Education): *Summa Cum Laude.*

1990: Siriba Teachers' College, Kenya

Diploma in Education

B: WORKING EXPERIENCE

August 2005, Ongoing:

Graduate Student, International Livestock Research Institute, Nairobi, Kenya. Research Focus: “Change and its direction and implications among the Maasai Pastoralists of Kenya and Tanzania, a regional perspective”. The study is being carried out in three sites in Kenya and two in Tanzania.

April 2003-2005:

Worked with ILRI (International Livestock Research Institute) as a **Community Facilitator in-charge of the Kitengela site**. Also worked in other wildlife areas among others: Kajiado, Narok, Trans Mara, some parts of Laikipia, Taita Taveta and Tarangire-Simanjiro areas of Tanzania. Worked closely with KWS, other local as well as international organisations.

December 2002 – 15th Mar. 2003:

Consultant with ILRI. Assigned tasks included helping to shortlist candidates in three areas i.e. Amboseli, Maasai Mara and Tarangire (Tanzania) for a job at ILRI under the Belgian funded project “Better Policy and Management Options for Pastoral Lands: Assessing Trade-offs between Poverty Alleviation and Wildlife Conservation”.

April – July 2002:

Trained Enumerators to carry out survey **for AWF in three Group ranches of Laikipia-Koiya, Tiemamut and Kijape** areas and conducted workshop to gauge success of the survey.

April 2002:

Conducted Final Review of African Conservation Centre (ACC's) Community Conservation Program (CCP) sponsored by the EU. Sites visited included the LUMO wildlife sanctuary (Taita-Taveta), Mbirikani Group ranch and the Shompole Group ranch.

June 2002

Conducted a survey “Assessing information Needs of leaders for better Policy and decision making” in collaboration with ILRI – covered four divisions of Kajiado district.

Dec. 01-Apr. 2002

Community Development Officer (consultant for the Mara Conservancy, Trans Mara District). Mobilized communities in three Group Ranches to form committees to facilitate fair sharing of wildlife-based revenue and to provide leadership and strengthen conflict resolution mechanisms.

2000 – 2001

Worked as a Consultant with ILRI:

Did a joint research with the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) on “Valuing Alternative Land-use Options in the Kitengela Wildlife Dispersal Area”. Published. Lead author: Patti Kristjanson.

I was the main facilitator on the ground. Mobilized landowners to attend workshops and meetings, collated views and jointly with others, wrote the paper.

Sept. 1st '99 – March 2003: Nairobi National Park dispersal area:

Working as a Research Consultant with The Wildlife Foundation, and sharing information generated with the Board of Directors of the Friends of Nairobi National Park (FoNNaP).

Major Responsibilities

- Developing strategies and recommendation to encourage the landowners of the GNPA to actively support the objectives of "Save Nairobi National Park and its Migration" project.
- Developing strong alliances with the community in the dispersal area in order to establish an information system that will identify land, which is under threat of development, likely sale, or poaching in the area.
- Develop programmes in order to sensitize landowners through landowners associations, self-help groups, women's groups, schools and other suitable groups.
- Making contact with like minded conservation groups, facilitate the establishment of a "Save the Migration Task Force" and to represent FoNNaP and The Wildlife Foundation on the Task Force.
- Since April 2000, I have coordinated the activities of FoNNaP in the Kitengela area – and in 2000, successfully initiated an innovative Wildlife Conservation Lease Program. Started with two landowners in April 2000. To date there are 117 families involved and many more on the waiting list. Now there are 8,600 acres under the lease program.

Oct. '98 – July ' 99:

African Conservation Center and Catholic University of Eastern Africa

Internship at African Conservation Centre – as a student of Project Planning and Management. Assisted in mobilizing landowners living south of Nairobi National Park in project identification, implementation and management.

July 1999

Catholic University of Eastern Africa

Wrote Post-Graduate Research Project "The Empakasi – Kitengela Wildlife Dispersal Area: A study of the determinants of the resident landowners attitudes towards wildlife on their land and their implications for Nairobi National Park".

1998:

Wrote B. Ed Research Project: "Education and the Maasai Girl Child: A study of the factors that influence school enrolment and drop-out of the Pastoralist Maasai girls in the Kajiado Educational Zone".

1996

Certificate Award: Best performed subject (C.R.E 1995 K.C.E results, Mashuuru Secondary school, Kajiado district). Promotion on Merit – Approved Teacher Status (ATS III).

1990 – 1996

Deputy Headmaster, Mashuuru Secondary School, (Kajiado District)
Teaching subjects: Kiswahili, Fasihi, Christian Religious Education – Forms 1 – 4.

1990

Certificate award: Second best teacher on Teaching Practice 1988/90 -Siriba Teachers College

C: Published and unpublished Articles, reports

Cochrane, K., Nkedianye, D., Partoip, E., Sumare, S., Kiruswa, S., Kaelo, D., Onetu, L., Nesele, M., Said, M., Homewood, K., Trench, P., Reid, R.S., and Herrero, M. 2005. *Family Fortunes: Analysis of Changing Livelihoods in Maasailand*. Final Project Report ZC0275. Livestock Production Programme. Department for International Development, United Kingdom. International Livestock Research Institute, Nairobi, Kenya. 261 pages.

Herrero, M., Kristjanson, P., Radeny, M., Burnsilver, S., Nkedianye, D., Kamuaro, O., Reid, R.S., Thornton, P. K. 2003. *Identifying the information needs of decision-makers in Maasai pastoralist systems in Kenya*. A collaborative study between ILRI, Edinburgh University and the communities of Narok and Kajiado. DFID LPP Report Project ZC0196. 57 pp.

Kristjanson P., Radeny M., Nkedianye D., Kruska R., Reid R., Gichohi H., Atieno F. and Sanford R. 2002. Valuing alternative land use options in the Kitengela wildlife dispersal area of Kenya. ILRI Impact Assessment Series 10. ILRI, Nairobi, Kenya. 61 pp.

Reid, R., Gichohi, H., Said, M.Y., Nkedianye, D., Ogutu, J., Kshatriya, M., Kristjanson, P., Kifugo, Sh, Agatsiva, J., Adanje, S., Bagine, R. 2006. Forthcoming in: Galvin K A, Hobbs N T, Behnke R, Reid R S. Fragmentation in Arid and Semi-Arid Lands. Kluwer Academic Press.

Nkedianye, D. 2004. Testing the attitudinal impact of a conservation tool outside a protected area: the case for the Kitengela Wildlife Conservation Lease Programme for Nairobi National Park. M.A (Unpublished). University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya.

D: Presentations and Conferences attended

- September 2002: Gave a talk at the World Shepherds Forum, Bilbao, Spain
- April 2004: Presented a paper in a national conference organized by the Kenya Wildlife Service on "The role of local communities in wildlife conservation"
- November 2005: Gave a talk at the first Open Science Congress of Diversitas in Oaxaca, Mexico, on the participation of local communities in Conservation: Examples from East Africa.
- May 2006: Gave a talk on the role of ILRI in empowering communities to combat desertification in the Kitengela area outside Nairobi National Park. Also fielded questions from the media.
- June 2006: Presented paper on determinants of income among Agro-pastoralists in Kajiado, southern Kenya. An International Policy and Poverty Alleviation conference, Nairobi, Kenya.
- August 2006: gave a talk at the Learning workshop of the FAO, at the International Association of Agricultural Economists (IAAE), at the Gold Coast, Australia.

E: Short Courses

2004: Policy Advocacy course: MSTCDC Usa River, Arusha, Tanzania

2003: Proposal Writing Course.

- Computer Literacy: Good knowledge of Word, Powerpoint, Excel, Internet, Project
- A clean Driving Licence

F: Community and voluntary responsibilities

2006: Board member, Noonkopirr Girls' Secondary school, Kajiado.

2006: Board Member, Mashuuru Secondary School, Kajiado

2001 – 2006 : Member, Board of Directors, Friends of Nairobi National Park.

2001 – Present: Founder member, Committee member and Advisor, *Kitengela Iparakuo Landowners Association* (KILA)

1997 – 1999 : Chairman, Nalepo Self-Help Group (Kitengela Location). Group of local community members aimed at encouraging members to save money and invest, borrow, and learn financial discipline.

1988 – 1992 : Chairman – North Kaputiei Sports Federation. Actively participated in the formation of the institution and its running.

1989 : Vice-Chairman, Siriba (Teachers' College) Students' Union.

G: REFEREES

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