

CURRICULUM VITAE

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7. Education

	Institution	Dates (from- to)	Qualification obtained
1	University of London, Wye College, United Kingdom (England)	1993- 1994	Master of Science (MSc) in Agricultural Economics
2	University of Zambia, Lusaka, Zambia	1983- 1988	Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Merit)
3	Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Rome, Italy	Nov 2010	Certificate in Managing for Results (MoRE) or <i>Results-Based Management (RBM)</i>
4	Wageningen International & Cape Institute for Agricultural Training (CIAT), South Africa	Aug- Sept 2009	Certificate in Local Economic Development: <i>(the changing roles of support services fostering pro-poor, market-led development)</i>
5	Tsukuba International Centre, Tsukuba, Japan	Jul-Aug 2008	Certificate in Planning of Agricultural Policy
6	International Senior Lawyers Project (ISLP) & The African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD), held in Lusaka, Zambia	Apr 2008	Certificate in International Trade Negotiations
7	UNICEF-Zambia & Central Statistical Office (CSO), Lusaka, Zambia	Nov 2007	Certificate in DevInfo-Advanced Database Management
8	African Management Development Institute (AMADI), Mbabane, Eswatini	May 2007	Certificate in Economic Policy Analysis and Development Research
9	International Agricultural Centre (IAC), Netherlands & Egerton University, Njoro, Kenya	May 2005	Certificate in Rural Economic Development: <i>(the changing roles of support organisations fostering market-oriented development)</i>
10	Statistics Sweden-Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), Cape Town, South Africa	2004	Certificate in Statistics in Poverty Policies
11	International Agricultural Centre (IAC), Wageningen, Netherlands	Feb 2003	Certificate in Participatory Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (PPM&E)
12	Participatory Assessment Group (PAG)	Sept 2002	Certificate in Participatory Monitoring & Evaluation

13	Disaster Management & Mitigation Unit (DMMU) & AGRICAT, held in Kabwe, Zambia	Apr 2002	Certificate in Disaster Management Training-of-Trainers (ToT)
14	Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Fisheries (MAFF), Lusaka, Zambia	Nov 2001	Certificate in Gender Mainstreaming in Agricultural Development
15	Ireland Aid & Central Board of Health (CBOH), held in Mpika, Zambia	Jan 2001	Certificate in Participatory Health and Hygiene Education (PHHE)
16	Food & Agriculture Organisation (FAO), held in Siavonga, Zambia	Nov 1999	Certificate in Socio-Economic and Gender Analysis (SEAGA)
17	Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Fisheries (MAFF), Lusaka, Zambia	Jan 1999	Certificate in Human Resources Management and Administration
18	Finance Training Institute, Lusaka, Zambia	Jun 1992	Certificate in Advances

8. Language Skills (1-Excellent: 5-Basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
English	1	1	1
Bemba	1	1	1
Nyanja	5	4	5

9. Membership of Professional Bodies

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i). African Agribusiness Incubators Network (AAIN) ii). Economics Association of Zambia (EAZ) |
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10.Specialization: Agricultural Economics

11.Present Position: Head Consultant

12.Key Skills:

- i). Agricultural policy analysis, research and development.
- ii). Agricultural value chain development and analysis.
- iii). General agricultural and rural development, (including socio-economic issues; food & nutrition security and poverty alleviation issues and analysis).
- iv). Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (P,M&E) and budgeting.
- v). Enhancing sustainable livelihoods in agribusiness development and promotion.
- vi). Micro-finance involving small and medium scale agribusiness entrepreneurs.
- vii). Climate Change mitigation/Climate-Smart Agriculture
- viii). Gender analysis and development.
- ix). Project design and appraisal, including project proposal writing; and Managing for Results (MoRE) or Results-based Management (RBM).
- x). Qualitative and Quantitative empirical research techniques such as surveys, interviews, facilitation skills, participatory tools and methodology.
- xi). Human Resources Management and Administration; and Water and Sanitation.
- xii). Computer literacy skills: Expertise on Microsoft Office Programme, including some knowledge of SPSS and DevInfo.

13. Specific experience

Country	Date from-Date to
Zambia	1989- to date
Tanzania	2008
Malawi	2007
Kenya	2005

14. Professional experience (Formal employment and assignments/consultancies)

Date from - to	Location	Organisation	Position	Description of Duties and achievements
Feb 2017 to-date	Lusaka/ Zambia	Agricultural Consultative Forum (ACF)	Partner / Policy & Technical Advisor (Part-time)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Focal-point Person for the “GCRF-Agricultural and Food-system Resilience Increasing Capacity and Advising Policy (AFRICAP)” Project. ➤ Contribute to the promotion and image-building of ACF through advocacy of ACF’s mandate, programmes, national priorities and activities; and facilitation of linkages and partnerships, in and outside Zambia. ➤ Contribute to ACF’s financial resource mobilization and foster, enhance and/or facilitate partnerships with local and international existing and future development institutions. ➤ Participate in implementation of ACF’s activities and services leading to achieving the above responsibilities.
Jan 2013 to-date	Lusaka/ Zambia	Freelance Consulting	Head Consultant	<p>Undertaking consultancies in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i). Agricultural policy analysis, research and development, ii). General agricultural and rural development. iii). Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (P,M&E) and budgeting. iv). Agribusiness and value chain development, promotion and analysis. v). Micro-financing for small and medium-scale agribusiness entrepreneurs. vi). Climate Change mitigation/Climate-Smart Agriculture vii). Gender analysis and development. viii). Project design and appraisal. ix). Human Resources Management and Administration; and Water and Sanitation.
Aug to Nov 2021	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	National Consultant	Conducting a 2021 Corporate Outcome Assessment (COA-2021) on the implementation of FAO’s Strategic Framework (2010 - 2021) with particular focus on

				assessing the changes and use of statistics for evidence-based policy making processes and in meeting its Strategic Objectives (SOs) and Organizational Outcomes (OOs) indicators
Mar to Jun 2021	Lusaka/ Zambia	CCARDESA	Consultant-Project Officer	Led the implementation of the activities of the project- <i>“Minimizing adverse economic impacts of Covid-19 on the agriculture sector and food systems in SADC and building future resilience to crisis events”</i>
Oct 2020 to Mar 2021	Central, Copperbelt & Eastern Provinces/Zambia	GCRF- AFRICAP through ACF	Team Leader (under ACF)	Led a team of seven experts in undertaking an <i>“Oilseeds Value Chain and Climate Impact Study”</i> in Zambia. The study was commissioned by the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), The study focused on the oil crops, namely, Soybeans, Cotton, Sunflower, Groundnuts & Palm oil.
Sept to Dec 2019	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	National Consultant	Conducting a 2019 Corporate Outcome Assessment (COA-2019) on the implementation of FAO’s Medium-Term Plan 2018-2021 with particular focus on assessing the changes and use of statistics for evidence-based policy making processes and in meeting its Strategic Objectives (SOs) and Organizational Outcomes (OOs) indicators
Sept to Dec 2018	Lusaka/ Zambia	EU/EIB	Consultant- Agricultural Value Chain Development (primary production)	To undertake an <i>“Access to Finance Study”</i> , under the EU/EIB’s <i>“Support to the sustainable commercialization of Zambia’s smallholder farmers”</i> Programme.
Apr to Jun 2018	Lusaka & Eastern Provinces /Zambia	Counterpart International Zambia	Consultant	Conducting a <i>“Mid-term evaluation of the Fostering Accountability and Transparency (FACT) Project”</i>
Dec 2017 to Jan 2018	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	Consultant – Post-Harvest Losses Project Coordinator	Overall coordination of the implementation of the AU-FAO’s <i>“Support to the African Union in the development of policies and strategies for country-specific plans to reduce post-harvest food losses”</i> Project.

Apr 2017 to Mar 2018	Lusaka & Kitwe/ Zambia	FAO	Senior Consultant- Technical & Policy Support	Translating the findings from the City Region Food Systems (CRFS) assessment into policy briefs and feeding into existing local policy processes for the Food & Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO)'s <i>"Food for the Cities Programme"</i> .
Jun 2016 to 2018	Country-wide /Zambia	Zambia Agriculture Research Institute (ZARI)	Consultant- (Part-time: for ZARI under PARI)	Conducting various activities under the Program of Accompanying Research for Agricultural Innovations (PARI), being implemented by the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) in collaboration with the Centre for Development Research (ZEF) of the University of Bonn, Germany. Studies/activities so far undertaken include: ✓ <i>"Documentation or Synthesis of Ten most Outstanding Agricultural Innovations in Zambia"</i> ✓ <i>Identification of Small-scale Farmers' (bottom-up) Agricultural Innovations through a "Farmers' Innovation Contest"</i> ✓ <i>Undertaking of a "Training of Trainers in the System of Rice Intensification (SRI)"</i> ✓ <i>Facilitating the "Development of Rice Standards & Grades for Zambia"</i>
Oct 2015 to May 2016	Lusaka/ Zambia	CCARDESA	Country Consultant	"Assessment of Human Resources Requirements along Technology and Agricultural Value Chains"
Nov 2015 to Feb 2016	Copperbelt Province / Zambia	Technoserve	Consultant (Team Member-with IAPRI)	Conducting a baseline survey, <i>"Zambia Soybean Baseline Survey"</i>
Sept to Dec 2015	Zambia (Country wide)	ZARI	Country Consultant	"Situation analysis of Agricultural Innovations in Zambia" by private sector farmers.
Sept to Dec 2015	Zambia (Country wide)	ZARI	Country Consultant	"Scooping study of the existing agricultural Innovation Platforms (IPs) in Zambia", involving public and private sector agribusiness entrepreneurs, NGOs and individuals.
Sept to Dec 2015	Zambia (Country wide)	ZARI	Country Consultant	"Assessment study on the National and International investment in Agricultural Innovations in Zambia"
Nov to Dec 2015	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	National Consultant	Conducting a Corporate Outcome Assessment (COA) for FAO in order to collect information/data for the Organizational Outcomes' indicators, relating to the new Medium-Term Plan (2014-2017).

Apr 2015	Lusaka/ Zambia	University of the Western Cape/UNZA	Consultant	Writing a Paper on “Historical Context of Agricultural Commercialization in Zambia”
Dec 2014	Various Provinces /Zambia	Ministry of Agriculture	Consultant (<i>Team member</i>)	Conducting a Rice Value Chain Study (Rapid Appraisal) for Analysis & Strategic Intervention Plan on behalf of the Smallholder Agribusiness Promotion Agriculture Programme (SAPP)
Oct to Dec 2014	Various Provinces /Zambia	Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)	Consultant (<i>Team member with FCS</i>)	Conducting an Ex-Post Evaluation of the Participatory Village Development in Isolated Areas (PaViDIA) Project.
Apr to Jun 2014	Lusaka/ Zambia	ILO	Consultant (<i>Team member with IAPRI</i>)	Conducting a Value Chain Analysis for ILO with the key objective of quantifying the potential of the Soybean value chain for food security, nutrition and rural enterprise, and youth employment.
Feb to Mar 2014	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	Consultant	Conducting a Corporate Baseline Survey for FAO in order to collect information/data for the Organizational Outcomes’ indicators, relating to the new Medium-Term Plan (2014-2017).
Oct to Nov 2009	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	Consultant	Responsible for the coordination of the technical and operational support of the Programme and Project activities of the FAO Representation in the areas of Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries, Nutrition and Rural Development, including agribusiness, agricultural marketing and agricultural value chain development.
Nov 2009 to Jul 2012	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	Assistant FAO Representative (Programme)	Overall, responsible for the coordination of the technical and operational support of the Programme and Project activities of the FAO Representation in the areas of Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries, Nutrition and Rural Development, including agribusiness, agricultural marketing and agricultural value chain development.
Jul to Oct 2009	Lusaka/ Zambia	Ministry of Finance and National Planning (MoFNP)	Programme Implementation Officer	Overall, to undertake implementation of economic, social, administration and sovereignty policies, programmes and strategies at national, district, sectoral and regional levels in order to ensure attainment of national development goals.
May 2008 to Apr 2009	Lusaka/ Zambia	FAO	National Coordinator	Development of the National Medium Term Priority Framework (NMTPF) for Zambia, by MACO & FAO.
2007 to Apr 2008	Lusaka/ Zambia	EU	Expert (<i>on attachment</i>)	Monitoring of the implementation of the Cross-sectoral Food Security Strategic Framework (through the Food Security Monitoring Matrix)

			to ACF from MACO)	
2006/2007	Lusaka/Zambia	EU/FAO	Consultant (Secretary)	Development of a Cross-sectoral National Strategic Framework and Monitoring Matrix for Food Security in Zambia (within the context of the Fifth National Development Plan)
Aug 2006 to Jun 2009	Lusaka/Zambia	Ministry of Agriculture & Cooperatives (MACO)	Principal Policy Analyst	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitating and undertaking Agricultural Policy Formulation, Analysis, Studies and Reviews. Facilitating the Agricultural Sector Performance analysis and preparation of policy guidelines and annual economic reports. Preparation of Annual Work Plans and Budgets, including performance reports. Coordinating Gender issues and Gender Mainstreaming, including HIV/AIDS. Representing MACO at various policy dialogue and professional conferences/seminars/workshops. Attending various Donor and/or Cooperating Partners' meetings on behalf of MACO. Undertaking Parliamentary business for the Ministry (as Parliamentary Liaison Officer). Project Proposal writing (have written a number of Proposals).
2005	Lusaka/Zambia	ACF]	Consultant	An Overview of existent National Policies, Sub-sector Policies and their linkages, with recommendations for dealing with Overlaps, Gaps, Duplications and Contradictions among Policy Documents relevant to the Zambian Agricultural Sector.
2005	Lusaka/Zambia	Embassy of Finland	Consultant (Representing MACO)	Appraisal of the Government of Finland Programme Document “ <i>Programme for Luapula Agricultural and Rural Development (PLARD)</i> ”
2004	Lusaka, Chongwe/Zambia	JICA	Team Leader (Zambian Side)	Joint Mid-term Evaluation of the “ <i>Participatory Village Development in Isolated Areas Project (PaViDIA)</i> ”
2003	Kasama/Zambia	Ministry of Local Government	Facilitator	Conducting a Training of Trainers workshop in “Participatory Health and Hygiene Education” (PHHE), organized by D-WASHE
2002	Kabwe/Zambia	Disaster Management & Mitigation Unit (DMMU)	Facilitator (Resource Person)	Conducting training on “Famine Early Warning Systems” during the Regional Disaster Management Course.

Aug 2001 to Aug 2006	Lusaka/ Zambia	MACO	Senior Agricultural Economist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collecting various agricultural data and analyzing the collected data to ensure efficient agricultural planning. Carrying out Crop Forecasting Surveys to promote timely agricultural planning for food security. Carrying out Post-Harvest Surveys to assess food security situation. Disseminating early warning data and information, and updating the Agricultural Information Database. Preparation of Annual Work Plans and Budgets, including performance reports. Preparing and attending technical meetings with Government Institutions and Donors.
2001	Mporoko so, Luwingu /Zambia	Ireland-Aid	Facilitator	Conducting a Training of Trainers workshop in “Participatory Health and Hygiene Education” (PHHE).
2001	Kasama /Zambia	Office of the President-Northern Provincial Administration	Team Member	Preparation of the Northern Province HIV/AIDS Strategic Plan
Jul 1998 to Jul 2001	Kasama /Zambia	MACO	Senior Executive Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervised efficiently staff operations to ensure efficiency and overall achievement of the ministry's objectives; and dealing with personnel matters, conduct and discipline. Supervised and monitored timely allocation of transport, to facilitate smooth operations Boosted staff morale and output through provision of appropriate clothing and job descriptions and payment of due allowances Provided appropriate office and residential accommodation for staffs in order to promote staff welfare Ensured good maintenance of office premises and infrastructure in order to provide a conducive working environment Made timely and appropriate travel arrangements for staff and visiting clients, so as to promote effectiveness and efficiency.

Jan 1996 to Jan 1998	Mpika/ Zambia	Cavmont Merchant Bank Ltd	Provincial Manager (Agricultural Credit Management Programme -ACMP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervised, monitored and reported on Credit Coordinators' (Agricultural Lending Agents) activities to ensure that they complied with their contractual obligations. Collaborated with the Agricultural Ministry and other relevant bodies in ensuring that extension services were provided to farmers and also disseminated information pertaining to agricultural credit. Carried out regular stocktaking of agricultural inputs (fertilizer and seed) and collected loan repayments from Credit Coordinators, including reporting on Credit Coordinators' activities and performance. Maintained stock records of maize in Credit Coordinators' warehouses and arranged for the sale and transportation of maize. Monitored farmers directly through spot checks (field/crop inspection) to determine crop quality and yield estimates and assessed their ability to repay loans and in time of repayments, ensured that Credit Coordinators collected debts timely and in a responsible manner. Effectively assessed Credit Coordinators, farmers and rural communities to determine their suitability (credit worth) for agricultural credit facility. <p>Conducted meetings and training for both Credit Coordinators and farmers, in issues related to agricultural credit, record keeping, and Gross Margin Analysis and Budgeting.</p>
1994	Brussels /Belgium	Organization for Foreign Students-UK	Participant	Participated in a ten-day Symposium on Lome IV Convention of ACP Countries
Oct 1989 to Dec 1995	Ndola, Mpulungu & Samfya/ Zambia	Finance Bank Zambia Ltd	Branch Manager	Overall, commercial banking and financing (managing and supervising all departments: i.e. <i>Advances/Credit, Accounts, Deposits and Cheque Clearing, Cash, & Accounts Opening</i>)

15. Publications

- i. *Pathways for Improved Nutrition in Zambia: Lessons from Pro-vitamin A rich Maize Innovation Platform*. **Christian Chomba**, Moses Mwale, Abdulrazak Ibrahim and Eliab Simpungwe. FARA Research Report, Vol 2 No: 14, May 2018

- ii. *Innovation for Sustainable Agricultural Growth in Zambia* (Country Dossier). **Christian Chomba**, Moses Mwale, Yemi Akinbamijo, Fatunbi Oluwole Abiodun, Heike Baumüller, Joachim von Braun, Annapia Debarry, Katharina Gallant, Tigabu Degu Getahun, Christine Husmann, Hannah Jaenicke, Oliver K. Kirui, Ehsan Eyshi Rezaei, Yasmin Smith, Justice Akpene Tambo, Detlef Virchow and Katharina Zinn. Programme of Accompanying Research for Agricultural Innovation (PARI), October 2017
- iii. *Status of Agricultural Innovations, Innovation Platforms and Innovation Investments*. **Christian Chomba**, Moses Mwale, Godfrey Mwila (2016). 2015 PARI Project Country Report: Republic of Zambia. Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA).
- iv. *Historical Context of Agricultural Commercialization in Zambia*. **Christian Chomba** and Chrispin Matenga, Lusaka, Zambia, April 2015

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