

Summary Profile

Dr. David Jakinda Otieno, BSc. MSc., PhD (Agricultural Economics)

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I) Education and other Professional Qualifications

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Agricultural Economics, Newcastle University, UK in July 2011
- Master of Science (MSc.) degree in Agricultural Economics, University of Nairobi, Kenya in October 2005
- Bachelor of Science (BSc.) degree (First Class Honours) in Agricultural Economics, Egerton University, Kenya in November 2001.
- Postgraduate Certificate in Public Policy Analysis and Research from the Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis.

II) Employment Record

- Lecturer, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Nairobi from February 2012 to date (Tutorial Fellow in the same Department from May 2007 to February 2012).
- Visiting Lecturer in the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC)'s Collaborative Masters Programme in Agricultural and Applied Economics at University of Pretoria from August to September 2012.
- Research Associate at the Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System for Eastern and Central Africa (ReSAKSS-ECA) from July 2007 to January 2008.
- Research Associate at the Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis (KIPPRA) from October 2005 to June 2007.

III) Research and Publications

- Has published four peer-reviewed journal papers focusing on smallholder market participation, technology adoption and participatory design of agricultural development programmes
- Published three Discussion Papers and two Policy Briefs on Agricultural Commercialization, Agricultural Institutional Reforms and International Trade
- Published a book chapter on the transition from subsistence to high-value agriculture
- Several conference papers on agricultural productivity and efficiency analysis, smallholder market participation and use of ICTs in agriculture
- Recently published a policy brief in February 2014 focusing on 'More Inclusive Decision-Making Processes in Foreign Land Leasing: Policy Insights from Kenya'.

IV) Experience in Consultancy work

- Has done consultancy assignments for various international agencies focusing on: Review of priorities and capacity needs in Agricultural Innovations (FARA, Ghana), Agribusiness Growth Models (KIPPRA, Kenya), Use of ICTs in Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services (IFPRI, Ethiopia), Agribusiness Indicators Monitoring (World Bank, Washington DC), Market Information Systems (Eastern Africa Grain Council).

V) Administrative and Managerial Experience

- Coordinator of Agribusiness Management Programme at the University of Nairobi
- Rapporteur and Training Facilitator in various national and international workshops and conferences
- Steering Committee Member for Conference Organization.