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A. PERSONAL DETAILS

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Pastoral Production Systems, and Climate Change Adaptation and

Resilience.

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B. CAREER OBJECTIVE

To contribute to resilient dryland ecosystems and pastoral livelihoods by generating and sharing information to support dynamic training and research for demand- and science-led policies and development.

C. SYNOPSIS

Prof. Oliver Vivian Wasonga is a Rangeland Ecologist with specialization and experience of over 20 years in Dryland Ecosystems Analyses; Pastoral Production Systems, and Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience. He is currently an Associate Professor in the Department of Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology (LARMAT), University of Nairobi (https://profiles.uonbi.ac.ke/oliverwasonga), with 16 years teaching experience. He teaches 3 undergraduate, 4 masters & 2 PhD course units. During 2011- 2014, he worked as a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at the German Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture (DITSL) at the University of Kassel in Witzenhausen, Germany (https://www.ditsl.org/en/team-contact). In addition to teaching, he has supervised thirteen (13) PhD and seventeen (17) MSc students to completion, and currenty supervising ten (10) PhD and nine (9) MSc. students. He has published a total of 104 scientific articles; 59 papers in refereed journals; 32 papers in refereed workshop proceedings; 1 book; 4 book chapters; 8 technical reports. He serves as a reviewer in 10 peer refereed Journals (mainly Elsevier and Springer), and as an editor in two of them.

Prof. Wasonga is the former Head of Range Management Section, former Chair of the Faculty Timetabling Committee, former member, Environment Committee, former member, Field Attachment Committee, current Chairman, Faculty Graduate Studies Committee, member, LARMAT Research & Networking Committee, and represents the University of Nairobi in the Management Committee (MANCO) of ARUA Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Food Systems. In addition, he is a member of East and Southern Africa Working Group for International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralist (IYRP2026); and a member of Adaptation Research Alliance (ARA). His community service include Partnership with the County Government of Samburu, County Government of Isiolo, VSF-Suisse, CARITAS, CRS (Nawiri project) in capacity building on sustainable Rangeland Management. He has co-designed with the stakeholders, a training module on Participatory Rangeland Management (PRM) for the Arid and Semi-Arid Rangelands. In addition, he is a member of the Ending Drought Emergency (EDE) Pillar Six Committee convened by National Drought Management Authority (NDMA). Prof. Wasonga is also a members of Board of Management of Raruowa Kadera Secondary School in Migori County.

His current and previous research projects include: i) Increasing Efficiency in Rangeland-Based Livestock Value Chains through Machine Learning and Digital Technologies (InfoRange) (New); ii) Drought Resilience In East African dryland Regions (DRIER) project, funded by the Royal Society, UK (*On-going*); iii) Translation of climate information into multilevel decision support for social adaptation, policy development, and resilience to water scarcity in the Horn of Africa Drylands (DOWN2EARTH), funded by EU (*On-going*); iv) International Virtual Course (IVC): Tackling Climate Change through Global Learning, funded by the Mercator Foundation Switzerland (On-going); v) Climate Resilient Development Pathways for Semi-Arid Regions of Africa and Asia (CRDPs) Project, funded by IDRC (*On-going*); vi) Socially Inclusive Adaptation Knowzledge for Resilient Livelihoods in Northern Kenya, funded by IDRC; vii) Economic Valuation of Sustainable Rangeland Management Practices in Northern Kenya, funded by EU& GIZ; viii) Adaptation at Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR) funded by IDRC and DFID; ix) Fodder Production for Enhanced Pastoral and Agro-Pastoral Resilience in the Drylands of Kenya (PREPARED), funded by the Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM); x) Assessing the Role of Stratified Livestock Production in Reduction of Post-Harvest Losses in Pastoral meat Value Chain in Kenya, funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF); xi) Role of Livestock Marketing Associations in Pastoral Meat value chain, funded by BMBF; xii) Foundations for climate resilient and sustainable growing settlements (U-RES), funded by the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) through the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF); and xiii) Re-Packing Indigenous Knowledge to Inform Policy, Development and Pastoral Community Action in Kenya (PIK), funded by the Christensen Fund. Over the years, he has established about 26 partnerships, most of them big consortium with multiple partners.

Prof. Wasonga's other experiences include consultancies with several international and national organizations such as the European Union, World Bank, African Development Bank, UNDP, WFP, GAIN, AU-IBAR, FAO, ILRI, Tufts University, IUCN, IIED, IGAD/ICPAC; IGAD/ICPALD; VSF-Suisse, VSF-Belgium; AWF/KWS, National Drought Management Authority (NDMA), AMREF, ACF, NCCK, GIZ, MS-TCDC-Action Aid, CORDAID-Netherlands, IFAW, CARE-Tanzania, among others. He has published in diverse areas including rangeland ecology, pastoral livelihoods, climate change adaptation, natural resource management, and indigenous knowledge.

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- 3. Oliver Vivian Wasonga. 2022. Camel Milk Value Chain in Isiolo: Camel Distribution, Opportunities and Challenges. Development of Camel Milk Value Chain Strategy. Held at Meru Slopes Hotel on April 4-8, 2022.
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- 5. **Oliver Vivian Wasonga. 2022.** Working with environmental variability for enhanced water and food security in the ASALs of Kenya. Held at Kadolta Lodge, Kajiado on March 21st to 25th, 2022.
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H. FUNDED JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS

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InfoRange is a 4 year (2022-2026) collaborative research project funded under the "Collaborative Project Land Management Sub-Saharan Africa" programme of the German Ministry of Education and Research. The consortium is led by the German Institute for Tropical and Subtropical Agriculture in Germany, and includes University of Nairobi, the Center for Research and Development in Drylands, Kenya, Namibia Nature Foundation, Namibia University of Science and Technology, and University of Kassel. The project

aims at improving rangeland use and governance and increasing resource-use and production efficiency in rangeland-based livestock production through digital and ICT applications/services that permit usergenerated information acquisition and transmission through co-learning and co-design approaches. InfoRange will work comparatively in northern Kenya and northern Namibia. Project sites include Laisamis and Moyale Subcounties in the northern arid and semi-arid Northern Kenya, and "George Mukoya" & "Muduva Nyangana" Conservancies in the Kavango East Region (Ndiyona Constituency), and in the "Eiseb" Conservancy in the Omaheke Region (Otjombinde Constituency).

Role: Co-Principle Investigator

Project Duration: December, 2022 – December, 2026

2. Drought Resilience In East African Dryland Regions (DRIER)

DRIER is a collaborative research project funded by the Royal Society and implemented by a consortium that include Bristol University, UK (Lead institution); University of Nairobi, Kenya; Addis Abba University, Ethiopia, among other collaborators. The project is concerned with near-future drought risk under climate change in East Africa (Kenya, Ethiopia and Somalia). The project seeks to answer the following questions: i) what will be the impacts of climate change on soil moisture and groundwater? ii) How will different areas be affected? iii) What are the barriers to drought adaptation and uptake of information? DRIER project will develop new tools (including a mobile phone app) and data that will enable stakeholders and everyday people to access direct information on the state of the water balance in their local area under current and future rainfall conditions. Using these tools, the project team will work with regional partners and stakeholders to develop strategies for media communication, information uptake, and decision-making for drought adaptation using uncertain data. The products and new understanding from this research have the potential to benefit millions of people in the region.

Role: Co-Investigator, University of Nairobi

Project Duration: March, 2020 – December, 2023

3. Translation of climate information into multilevel decision support for social adaptation, policy development, and resilience to water scarcity in the Horn of Africa Drylands (DOWN2EARTH)

DOWN2EARTH seeks to address the multi-faceted challenges of water scarcity and food insecurity under climate change in Horn of Africa Drylands, by facilitating community-centered adaptation and resilience to climate change impacts. It will uses a multidisciplinary, inclusive approach, bringing together local communities, academic experts, novel decision-support tools, multi-level governance structures, regional climate centers, and NGOs. Specifically the project will: Assess the socio-economic dimensions and human dynamics of climate change in HAD including feedbacks between climatic shocks, human behavior, and policy implementation; Characterize and quantify historical trends and (future) projections of and interactions between water scarcity, food insecurity, population, land use, and the policy environment in HAD; Develop and enhance multi-level decision-support tools that emphasize the translation of climate information into critical land and water information required for near-term and long-term adaptation and resilience by communities, state/regional governments, NGOs, and humanitarian and development organizations; and Strengthen regional climate adaptation and resilience through capacity building, citizen science, information dissemination to improve multi-level decision making, expansion of data networks, and policy implementation. The project is funded by European Union under the Horizon 2020 programme. Partners include: Cardiff University (Lead institution), University of Bristol, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, University of Hohenheim, University of Nairobi, IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Center (ICPAC), Ghent University, University of East Anglia, Food and Agriculture Organization-Somalia Water and Land Information System (FAO-SWALIM), Climate Analytics, BBC Media Action, Action Aid, Transparency Solutions, and Addis Ababa University.

Role: Co-Principal Investigator, University of Nairobi **Project Duration:** January, 2020 – December, 2024

4. International Virtual Course (IVC): Tackling Climate Change through Global Learning

The IVC is a Mercator Foundation Switzerland –funded 5-year project (2021 to 2025), led by Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), Switzerland in collaboration with the Universidade Federal de Grande Dourados (UFGD), Brazil; University of Agricultural Sciences Bangalore (UASB), India; and the

Department of Land Resource Management & Agricultural Technology, University of Nairobi (UoN). The course takes four (4) weeks, and is organized into four (4) phases that include: Understanding Climate Change in our Environment; Virtual Classroom; Virtual Teamwork; and Reflections by Participants. Each partner University recruits at least 10 students each year to participate in the course. The students are located in their home Universities throughout the entire course.

Role: Coordinator, University of Nairobi

Project Duration: March, 2021 – December, 2024

5. Climate Resilient Development Pathways for Semi-Arid Regions of Africa and Asia (CRDP-SAR) Project. The project itself will synthesise work that has been undertaken by Adaptation At Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR) and Pathways to resilience in semi-arid economies (PRISE) projects funded by IDRC and DFID under the Collaborative Adaptation Research Initiatiove in Africa and Asia (CARIAA) consortium, with a view to understanding better the sorts of trajectories that are required for semi-arid regions to develop in a way that is climate resilient. The specific objectives of teh project area to: 1) Synthesise a more generalised set of forward-looking findings from ASSAR, PRISE and relevant FCFA-funded projects (FRACTAL and AMMA-2050) concerning the risks and opportunities for SARs; 2) Analyse national development priorities for SARS and the extent to which the dynamics articulated in Objective 1 are compatible with existing development plans and what alternative pathways might deliver more climate-resilient futures; 3) Work with selected national and regional decision-makers in 2 - 3 case study countries on a specific policy area or sector and seek to reorient the planned development pathway to one which is more climate resilient and equitable. The collaboration is led by University of East Anglia in UK, and includes University of Nairobi, University fo Cape Town, University of Namibia, Indian Institute for Human Settlements, Overseas Development Institute, Uk, Kenya Market Trust.

Role: Co-Investigator, University of Nairobi

Project Duration: March, 2020 – November, 2022

6. Socially Inclusive Adaptation Knowledge for Resilient Livelihoods in Northern Kenya

The project aims to support pastoralists and agro- pastoralists to use transformative and socially inclusive adaptation knowledge to build the resilience of their livelihoods and landscapes in northern Kenya. The specific objectives of the project are to: develop a social inclusive multi-stakeholder system for knowledge integration and exchange for adaptation and timely decision making; reduce barriers to the flow and integration of adaptation knowledge from different sources; and identify and empower women and youth networks with knowledge, skills and confidence to effectively articulate their adaptation needs.

Role: Co-Investigator, University of Nairobi **Project Duration:** January, 2020 – June, 2022

7. Economic Valuation of Sustainable Rangeland Management Practices in Northern Kenya (SURAMA)

SURAMA is a one and half year collaborative project under the Economics of Land Degradation (ELD) initative, which was established in 2011 by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and the European Commission (EC). ELD is supported under the "Reversing Land Degradation in Africa through Scaling-up EverGreen Agriculture" in Kenya project, which is co-funded by BMZ and EC. The Initiative quantifies the costs of land degradation and sets out a universal approach for quantifying the economic benefits of SLM. providing answers to vital questions. These include: How high are the social and economic costs of land degradation? What are the short- and long-term benefits of applicable SLM approaches? What actions are needed to address the problem of land degradation effectively and efficiently, and what specific measures need to be implemented? The ELD Initiative highlights the value of SLM and provides an approach for analysis of the economics of land degradation. It helps decision makers better understand the overall costs and benefits when implementing policies and actions dealing with land, making economics of land management an integral part of policy strategies and decision making by increasing the political and public awareness of the costs and benefits of land and land-based ecosystems. SURAMA project includes University of Nairobi, Stockholm Environment Institute; Laikipia University; and Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology.

Role: Principal Investigator/Team Leader

Project Duration: July, 2018 - December, 2019

8. Adaptation at Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR)

Adaptation at Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR) is 5-year (May 2014 –November, 2018) consortium funded by IDRC and DFID. The consortium is led by the University of Cape Town and covers Eastern Africa, Western Africa, Southern Africa, and Central Asia (India). ASSAR's overarching objective is to deepen understanding of climate vulnerability and adaptation in semi-arid regions, and help transform current adaptation practice to a mode that achieves proactive, widespread adaptation embedded in development activities at multiple governance scales, to advance adaptive livelihoods for vulnerable groups. Specific objectives are to: (i) undertake high-quality, transdisciplinary research to generate new knowledge on vulnerability and adaptation; (ii) develop and trial relevant actionable strategies for adaptation; (iii) drive innovative communication approaches for knowledge sharing; and (iv) enable systemic capacity strengthening for adaptation in research, policy and practice.

Role: Co-Researcher

Project Duration: May, 2014 – November, 2018

Fodder Production for Enhanced Pastoral and Agro-Pastoral Resilience in the Drylands of Kenya (PREPARED)

Funded via sixth call for proposals under the graduate research grants (GRG). The objectives of the project are to: i) assess the current fodder production practices and pastoral/agro-pastoral community perceptions on fodder production and marketing in Makueni County of Kenya; ii) assess local knowledge on the indigenous grass species, their spatial distribution and trends over the last 40 years; iii) analyze the fodder value chain to determine actors and market linkages, and determine the profitability, functionality and efficiency of the value chain in the study area; iv) determine factors that influence households' participation in fodder production in the study area; v) determine strategies that enhance the producers' prices and efficiency along the fodder value chain in the study area; and vi) identify lessons and opportunities that can be used to build strong community institutions to sustain the fodder value chain in Kenya's drylands. The project is supporting two MSc students registered at Faculty of Agriculture, University of Nairobi.

Role: Principal investigator

Project Duration: July, 2015 - April, 2018

10. Foundations for climate resilient and sustainable growing settlements (U-RES)

U-RES primary aim is to establish a community of trans-disciplinary experts (beyond academia) working together to provide the underpinning knowledge needed to support the transition from burgeoning settlements to resilient and sustainable cities and megacities in the face of a changing climate in Africa. It is a research consortium funded by the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) through the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF). U-RES is led by University of East Anglia in UK and includes University of Nairobi; University of Newcastle, UK; Kwa Zulu Natal University, South Africa; OXFAM GB, UK; and Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand. The specific objectives of the project are to: Identify the most promising locations to nurture resilient cities, given current knowledge about past hazards from archaeological evidence, current urbanisation trends, and future climate risks; review the development and governance approaches in cities that have specifically tried to address the needs of the marginalised, and generate and share insights on processes through which urban governance processes could be improved and; identify information flows at the very early stages of urbanisation, including for marginalised groups, and the op+

portunities to influence urban development. The project aims to produce a 5-year international research and engagement plan focusing on better understanding the intervention points at the early stages of urbanization and the needs of marginalised communities.

Role: Co-investigator

Project Duration: January, 2017 – March, 2018

11. Reduction of Post-Harvest Losses and Value Addition in East African Food Value Chains (RELOAD)

RELOAD is a 5-year (June 2013 – 2018) collaborative trans-disciplinary project funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). The project brings together a consortium of partners in Germany, Kenya, Ethiopia and Uganda and is led by the Institute for Agricultural Engineering at the University of Kassel in Germany. In Kenya, one focus of RELOAD is on pastoral meat value chains. The high losses along the pastoral meat value chain include animal weight loss prior to slaughter, wastage of animal products and by-products, losses in quality of meat products and economic losses due to low profit margins for the producers. The project is funding four (4) PhD research studies to analyze different possibilities to reduce losses and increase efficiency along the pastoral meat value chains. These studies are jointly implemented by the University of Nairobi, National Museums of Kenya and the German Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture (DITSL) at the University of Kassel in Germany. The PhD candidates are registered at the University of Nairobi and University of Kassel (www.ditsl.org)

Role: Principal investigator for sub-project 6, workpackages 4 (Stratified livestock production systems) & workpackage 5 (Livestock marketing associations).

Project Duration: June, 2013 – December, 2018

12. Re-Packing Indigenous Knowledge to Inform Policy, Development and Pastoral Community Action in Kenya (PIK)

PIK is a 17 months project funded by the Christensen Fund. The project is implemented by the University of Nairobi in partnership with a community-based organization, Resource Advocacy Programme (RAP) based in Isiolo County. It covers Marsabit, Samburu and Isiolo Counties and seeks to review indigenous knowledge (IK) of pastoralists in northern Kenya with the view of increasing its awareness, understanding and use both at community and decision makers' levels. The awareness creation is expected to restore confidence of the new generation in IK, as well as promote formulation of policies that recognize IK. All these are expected to attach value to IK as an important resource in conserving biological and cultural diversity and therefore encourage the recognition of principles of intellectual property to ensure the proper protection and use of indigenous traditional knowledge and products derived from it.

Role: Principal Investigator

Project Duration: July, 2016 - April, 2018

13. Assessing the Total Economic Value of Pastoralism in Isiolo County, Kenya

A 3-year collaborative research co-funded by CORDAID and DFID and led by the Institute for Environment and Development (IIED). The objective of the project is to generate scientific evidence and build the capacity of pastoral citizens and their advocates to make the argument that pastoralism is central to the future development of the drylands in Kenya while strengthening the ability of decision-makers to review and reform policy in the light of these arguments. The consortium includes the University of Nairobi through the Department of LARMAT; Adaptation Consortium at the National Drought Management Authority; IIED; Isiolo County government institutions; the Resource Advocacy Programme (RAP); among other local civil society groups and relevant NGOs. The project is supporting four (4) postgraduate research studies registered in the Department of LARMAT.

Role: Principal investigator

Project Duration: April, 2013- August, 2016

14. Grants for Local Adaptation Support to facilitate Peer-to-Peer Learning on Climate Change Adaptation Among Pastoral communities in Kenya

Grants for Local Adaptation Support (ASSAR-GLAS) is a competitive small grant awarded by Global System Change for Analysis Research and Training (START), on behalf of the Collaborative Adaptation Research Initiative in Africa and Asia (CARIAA) and the Adaptation at Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR) Project. This grant is in recognition of the need to go beyond academic capacity building within ASSAR to do more to strengthen the capacities of those living and working in the ASSAR study sites. The GLAS is intended to draw from findings of on-going ASSAR research to support the most vulnerable groups in each region on overcoming top barriers to and supporting enablers of their adaptation. The GLAS award for the East African ASSAR research team will be particularly used to facilitate peer-to-peer

learning among pastoral communities on various climate change adaptation options, among others. diversification of pastoral herds to embrace more drought tolerant species such as camels in Isiolo County; pasture production and reservation in Kajiado and Makueni Counties; and customary natural resource management in Isiolo County.

Role: Principal Investigator

Project Duration: January – June, 2018

I. WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES ATTENDED

September 7 – 9, 2022: Drought & Water Resources in the Horn of Africa Drylands. Organized By Institute for

Environmental Studies (IVM), Vrije University in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

June 7, 2022: Pastoralist water rights and governance Workshop. Organized under Rural Water

Supply Network (RWSN) Early Webinar Series. Held Virtually from 14:30 – 16:00

CEST.

April 11-15, 2022: Camel Milk Value Chain in the Drylands of Kenya. Held at Meru Slopes Hotel.

March 30-April 8, 2022: Situation Analysis of Climate Adaptation in the Drylands of Africa. Enhancing

Climate Actions on Land in Africa. Held in Livingstone, Zambia.

March 21 - 25, 2022: Working with environmental variability for enhanced water and food security in the

ASALs of Kenya. Held at Kadolta Lodge, Kajiado.

December 09 -13, 2021: Climate-Smart Agriculture in Kenya: Practices, Related Policies and Infusion in Universities' Academic Programmes Workshop. The Seventh African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM Triennial Conference. Held in Contonou, Benin.

Sensitization & Stake-holder Engagement workshop of Down2Earth Project Partners. October 11-15, 2021:

Held at El Boran Hotel, Isiolo.

October 25 -29, 2021: Joint International Grassland & International Rangeland Kenya 2021 Virtual Congress

(Joint XXIV IGC and XI IRC 2021). Hosted by Kenya, Bamburi Beach Hotel.

http://2021kenya-igc-irc.rangelandcongress.org/

October 11-15, 2021: Sensitization & Stake-holder Engagement workshop of Down2Earth Project Partners

held at El-Moran Hotel, Isiolo.

February 17, 2021: 57th Greater Horn of Africa Climate Outlook Forum (GHACOF) Virtual Workshop

organized by IGAD Climate Prediction and Application Centre (ICPAC).

https://www.icpac.net/ghacof-57/

July 10, 2020: The 7th WASAG Webinar on "Pandemics/Epidemics, Drought and Agriculture: Building back

> better", organized the Global Framework on Water Scarcity in Agriculture (WASAG) working group on "Drought Preparedness at FAO Land and Water Division, in collaboration with Integrated Drought Management Programme (IDMP) and UNCCD Drought Initiative, on 10 15.00-16.30 CEST. http://www.fao.org/land-water/news-archive/news-July 2020,

detail/en/c/1295477/

Workshop on Economics of Land Degradation, Kenya National Policy Workshop held March 10, 2020:

> at Jacaranda Hotel Nairobi. Co-funded by the European Union and the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) under "Reversing Land Degradation in Africa by Scaling-up EverGreen Agriculture" (Regreening Africa)

February 24-26, 2020: Workshop on Strengthening Collaboration of Existing National Drought Resilience

Research Institutions Network Pathways within the IGAD Region. Held at Double Tree Hotel, Hilton, Nairobi.

December 17-19, 2019: Regional Consultative Workshop on Applied Research on Integrated Natural Resources Management (NRM) Project Initiatives and Livelihood Diversification held in Bishoftu, Ethiopia. Funded by GIZ through IGAD. Presented a paper on "Integrated

Natural Resource Management and Dryland Livelihoods in Kenya".

October 22 - 24, 2019: AGRO 2019 Conference and Exhibition held at the University of Nairobi's Upper Kabete Campus, College of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences, Nairobi, Kenya.

- August 1-2, 2019: Mainstreaming Climate Risk Management into County Planning in Kenya. Training Workshop for Staff of Siaya & Narok Counties at Acacia Premier Hotel, Kisumu. Funded by The World Bank through Devolution and Locally-Led Climate Change and Disaster Management Project at AdaConsortium, National Drought Management Authority.
- July 29 and 30, 2019: Mainstreaming Climate Risk Management into County Planning in Kenya. Training Workshop for Staff of Makueni and Kwale Counties in Diani at Swahili Beach Hotel, Diani. Funded by The World Bank through Devolution and Locally-Led Climate Change and Disaster Management Project at AdaConsortium, National Drought Management Authority.
- **August 5 -6, 2019:** Validation of Regional Rangeland Management Strategic Framework for IGAD Region held on 5 -6th August, 2019 at Bamburi Beach Hotel, Mombasa.
- February 25 March 02, 2019: National Stakeholders Consultation Workshop on Rangeland and Pastoralism Strategy held at Bomen Hotel, Isiolo town

 Sponsor: IGAD Center for Pastoral Areas and Livestock Development (ICPALD),

Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience Project

- **December 3 5, 2018:** GlobE Pan-African Conference held at Sawela Lodges in Naivasha **Sponsor:** German Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF) and the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).
- November28, 2018: Workshop on "Securing rangelands through development and strengthening of Rangelands policy and institutions" in Africa held in Nairobi, and organized by Resource Conflict Institute (RECONCILE), International Land Alliance through Rangelands Initiative in collaboration with Swiss Development Corporation.

 Sponsor: Resource Conflict Institute (RECONCILE).
- **July 12 17, 2018:** Adaptation at Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR) Annual Workshop at Franschhoek Hotel & Spa, Cape Town Between June 12th & 17th, 2018
- September 20 22, 2017: The Tropentag 2017: International Conference on Research on Food Security, Natural Resource Management and Rural Development: Future Agriculture: Socio-Ecological Transitions and Bio-cultural shifts at University of Bonn, Germany. Sponsor: The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), GrassNet Programmme. (www.tropentag.de).
- September 18- 19, 2017: Annual workshop for the "Reduction of Post-Harvest Losses and Value Addition in East African Food Value Chains" (RELOAD) project at University of Kassel, Witzenhausen, Germany. Sponsor: The German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).
- April 9 12, 2017: Stakeholders Training Workshop on Cattle Fattening as a Way of Adding Value to Lean Animals from the Drylands of Kenya Held at ACK Guest House in Kajiado. Sponsor: The German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).
- **February 14, 2017**: ASSAR National Stakeholders Workshops held at Heron Portico Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya. **Sponsor**: DFID.
- **February 21, 2017**: ASSAR Local Stakeholders Workshops held at Moti Pearl Hotel in Isiolo, Kenya. **Sponsor**: DFID.
- November 10- 15, 2016: Annual workshop for the "Reduction of Post-Harvest Losses and Value Addition in East African Food Value Chains" (RELOAD) project at Mukono, Uganda. **Sponsor**: The German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).
- October 14- 22, 2016: Fifth RUFORUM Biennial Conference African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM Biennial Conference held between 14th and 22nd October, 2016 at the Century City in Cape Town, South Africa. **Sponsor**: The Regional Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM)
- Aug. 11– 12, 2015: First Annual Rangelands Congress 2015 held between 11th and 12th of August 2015 at the KCB Leadership Center Karen, Nairobi, Kenya. **Sponsor**: Rangelands Association of Kenya, African conservation Centre, International Livestock Research Institute and University of Nairobi Center for Sustainable Drylands Ecosystems and Societies.

July 28 – 29, 2015: National stakeholder workshop to validate the report on "Investing in healthy

rangelands in a devolved Kenya" held at Boma-Inn Hotel South-C on 28-29 July 2015.

Sponsor: IUCN

February 10, 2015: Stakeholders Meeting on "Geospatial Mapping of Rangelands" held at the

International Union for Conservation (IUCN) Nairobi office on Tuesday 10th

February, 2015. **Sponsor**: IUCN.

Aug. 24 – 25, 2015: The Intervention Strategy Workshop (ISW)/Collaborative Resilience

Innovation (CRID) Workshop on Internal Displacement in Somalia, 24 – 28 August 2015 held at Crowne Plaza, Nairobi, Kenya. **Sponsor**: Resilience Africa Network (RAN) at Makerere University in Uganda and Horn of Africa

Resilience Innovation Lab (RILAB).

August 6, 2015: Workshop on the profile and dynamics of the natural resource based

economy of Isiolo County organized by International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) and Resource Advocacy Programme (RAP) and

County Government of Isiolo on 6th August 2015. **Sponsor**: IIED

Dec. 10th – 11, 2014: Consultative Workshop: Learning Needs Assessment to Support Capacity

Development for Resilience Analysis and Policy Processes in the Context of Food Security-Organized by Intergovernmental Authority for Development (IGAD). **Sponsor:** United Nations Development Program, Global Policy

Centre

Sept. 21 – Oct. 4, 2014: Annual workshop for the "Reduction of Post-Harvest Losses and Value

Addition in East African Food Value Chains" (RELOAD) project at University of Kassel, Witzenhausen, Germany. **Sponsor**: The German Federal Ministry

of Education and Research (BMBF).

July 17, 2014: Launching Workshop for the IGAD funded "Enhancing resilience of livestock-

based livelihoods in Northern Kenya" project at the Desmond Tutu

Conference Center, AACC Westlands.

October 06 – 11, 2013: Launching workshop for RELOAD: Reduction of Post-Harvest Losses and

Value Addition in East African Food Value Chains at Jimma University in Ethiopia. **Sponsor**: The German Federal Ministry of Education and Research

(BMBF).

September 17 – 19, 2013: The Tropentag 2013: International workshop on agricultural development and

the urban-rural continuum at University of Hohenheim, Institute for Plant Production and Agro-ecology of the Tropics and Subtropics, Stuttgart, Germany. **Sponsor**: The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD),

GrassNet Programmme. (www.tropentag.de).

February 13 – 15, 2013: The 4th Africa Regional Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction: "Reducing

Drought Risk in Africa – Measuring Impact, strategizing for the Future" at

Ngurdoto Lodge, Arusha, Tanzania

(www.unisdr.org/we/inform/events/30143). **Sponsor**: UNDP Dryland

Development Centre, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction and

Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection

February 11 – 12, 2013: The 5th Africa Drought Adaptation Forum at Ngurdoto Lodge, Arusha,

Tanzania (www.unisdr.org/files/30143_annex9resultsofthe5thadaf.pdf). Sponsor: UNDP Dryland Development Centre, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction and Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection

February 8 – 9, 2013: Mobility, hybridity and the way to co-existence: Restructuring of daily life in

rural and urban African societies at the Japan Society for the promotion of

science (JSPS), Nairobi research station

Sponsor: The JSPS, Nairobi

February 29 - March 1, 2013: Training workshop on the Total Economic Valuation Methodology for

Pastoralism at Solote Hotel, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: Sponsor: IIED/DFID

December 4 – 5, 2012: Holistic Natural Resource Management Training Workshop in Laikipia.

Kenya. Sponsor: The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization

(FAO)

November 30, 2012: Environmental Impact Assessment/Environmental Audit Training Institutions

Workshop at Kenyatta International Conference Centre, Nairobi. **Sponsor**:

The National Environment Management Authority (NEMA)

September 18 – 21, 2012: The Tropentag 2012: International workshop on food security, natural

resource management and rural development at Gottingen University,

Germany (www.tropentag.de). Sponsor: The German Academic Exchange

Service (DAAD), GrassNet Programmme

October 5 – 7, 2011: The Tropentag 2011: International workshop on "development on the Margin"

at University of Bonn, Germany (www.tropentag.de). Sponsor: The German

Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), GrassNet Programmme

June 27– July 1, 2010: Forum on Education, Capacity Building and Climate Change at the White

Sands Hotel, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Sponsor: The Global Change

System for Analysis, Research and Training (START).

start.org/download/2013/forum-strategy.pdf (start.org/download/2010/forum-

participants-6.24.10.pdf)

December 7 – 18, 2009: The 15th United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

(UNFCC) Conference of Parties (COP 15) at the Bella Conference Centre, Copenhagen, Denmark. **Sponsor**: The Open Society Institute (OSI) through

International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED)

May 22 – 23, 2009: Conference on Energy, Gender and Environment at the AMREF International

Training Centre, Nairobi, Kenya. **Sponsor**: Eastern Africa Environmental

Network (EAEN)

June 12 – 13, 2008: Scoping Workshop on Climate Change and Policy Making in Agriculture and

Natural Resource Management in East Africa, Nairobi Safari Club. Sponsor:

Wageningen University and Research Centre; ASARECA and IUCN

May 23 – 24, 2008: Environmental concerns of Climate Change with respect to Sustainable

Livelihoods in Eastern Africa at the AMREF International Training Centre, Nairobi, Kenya. **Sponsor**: Eastern Africa Environmental Network (EAEN)

J. TEACHING

Postgraduate Courses

- 1. ADR 703: Dryland Livelihoods (45 hours)
- 2. ADR 719: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (45 hours)
- 3. ADR 704: Dryland Resource Economics (45 hours)
- 4. ARM 503: Range Management in Pastoral Societies (45 hours)
- 5. ARM 506: Desertification and Rangeland Rehabilitation (45 hours)
- 6. ARM 510: Range Project Planning & Implementation (45 hours)
- 7. ALM 606: Project Planning and Management (45 hours)

Undergraduate Courses

- 1. ARM 102: Range Ecology I (45 hours)
- 2. AEM 102: Agro-ecology I (45 hours)
- 3. ARM 202: Range Ecology II (45 hours)
- 4. AEM 203: Agro-Ecology II (45 hours)
- 5. ARM 305: Methods of Rangeland Analysis (45 hours)
- 6. ARM 408: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (45 hours)

K. THESIS SUPERVISION

Completed PhD

Nairobi).

- 1. **Lutta Alphayo. 2017 2023**. Valuation of the Impacts of Rangeland Management Practices in Pastoral Systems (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi, Department of LARMAT).
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Lance Robinson & Prof. Moses Nyangito
- 2. **Ng'asike Philemon Ong'ao. 2016 2022.** Analysis of Governance in Cross-Border Livestock Trade Flows between Kenya and Somalia (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi, Department of LARMAT).
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Jesse Njoka, Dr. Paul Githiga and Prof. Tobias Hagmann
- 3. Richard Osaliya. 2015- 2021. Impacts of Land Use and Climate Change on Surface Water Resources in a Semi-Arid Environment: The Case of L'Okok Catchment Uganda (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi)
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Geoffrey Kironchi and Prof. Majaliwa Mwanjololo
- 4. **Ahmed Mohamed Musa. 2016 2020.** Analysis of the Effects of Institutional, Environmental and Governance Changes on Livestock Trade in Berbera Corridor of Somaliland. (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi).
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. Oscar Koech, Prof. Tobias Hagmann and Prof. Nathem Mtimet
- 5. **Bulle Dabasso**. **2015- 2020.** Contribution of stratified livestock production and marketing system in reduction of losses in the pastoral livestock value chain in Kenya (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi).
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Brigitte Kaufmann and Dr. Patrick Irungu
- Raphael Lotira. 2015- 2020. Assessing the potential of pastoral livestock marketing groups to reduce losses in the pastoral livestock value chain in Kenya (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi).
 Co-Supervisors: Prof. Brigitte Kaufmann and Dr. David Jakinda
- Joseph Ssekandi. 2013 2017. Effects of land evictions on ecological and livelihood systems in Uganda's drylands: The case of oil-rich Buliisa District. (PhD student registered at the University of
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. Laban MacOpiyo and Dr. John Mburu
- 8. **Muhammad Sabiu Suleiman**. **2014 2017.** Determinants of the Non-Timber Forest Resources Conservation of the Falgore Game Reserve Kano, Nigeria (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi).
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. Judith Mbau and Prof. Aminu Suleiman
- 9. **Michael Elias**. **2011 2016.** Impacts of land conversion on carbon stocks in Borena Rangelands of southern Ethiopia (PhD student registered at University of Kassel, Germany, funded by DAAD-GrassNet project)
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Oliver Henzel, Dr. Christian Huelsebusch, Dr. Uwe Ritcher and Brigitte Kaufmann
- 10. **Opiyo, F. Omondi. 2011-2014**. Influence of climate variability on vulnerability and adaptation Strategies among Turkana Pastoralists of North-western Kenya (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi, Department of LARMAT, funded by START international).
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Moses M. Nyangito
- Yazan A.M. Elhadi. 2011 -2014. Assessing the potential of camel milk production as an Adaptation to Climatic Variability in the Drylands of Kenya (PhD obtained from the University of Nairobi, Department of LARMAT, funded by RUFORUM).
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Dickson M. Nyariki
- 12. **Richard Kavila Kyuma**. **2012- 2015.** Assessing the potential of *Prosopis juliflora* productivity as alternative animal feed and carbon storage in the climate variability prone drylands of Magadi, Kenya (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi)
 - Co-Supervisors: Prof. Raphael Wahome and Dr. Josiah Kinama
- Fikir Alemayehu. 2012 2015. Impacts of land use change on shoreline erosion and mangrove dynamics: A case study of Watamu-Mida creek in Kenya (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi, Department of LARMAT).
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. Richard Onwonga and Dr. James Mwangi

Completed MSc

- Yussuf Wako Maliti. 2019-2022. Analysis of Livelihood activities among pastoral households in Urban and Peri-urban areas in Isiolo town, Northern Kenya. (MSc. Student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Dr. Oscar Koech
- Walter Magero Wafula. 2019-2022. Analysis of Urban and Peri-Urban Pastoral Herd Composition, Land-Use Changes, and Drivers of Pastoralism in Nairobi City (MSc. Student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Dr. Oscar Koech, Dr. Staline Kibet
- 3. Sharon Teyie. 2018 2021. Analysis of Charcoal Value Chain in the Drylands of Central Pokot Sub County Kenya. Co-Supervisors: (MSc. Student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Prof. Christoph Biegmann.
- Nyaga Margeret Ngithi. 2018 2021. Assessment of Woody Species Diversity in Rusinga Island, Homa Bay County, Kenya. (MSc. Student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Dr. Stephen Mureithi
- Hannah Naykio Kamau. 2015 2018. Evaluation of Indigenous Grass Species Suitability for Rehabilitation of Degraded Semi-Arid Rangeland in Suswa, Kenya. Co-Supervisors: Dr. Oscar Koech and Dr. Stephen Mureithi
- **6. Erick Omollo. 2015 2017.** Analysis of Fodder Production and Marketing in the Southern Rangelands of Kenya. **Co-Supervisors: Dr. Yazan Elhadi & Dr. William Mnene**
- Maunguja Bakari Ahmed. 2013 -2015. Use Value Indices of Threatened Endemic Plants in Arabuko Sokoke Forest Kilifi County, Kenya (MSc. student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Dr. Meckizedeck Osore
- 8. **Kimili K. Sakimba**. **2013 2015.** Longitudinal changes in Amboseli ecosystem: An integrated analysis using remote sensing techniques and local perceptions (MSc. student registered at the University of Nairobi). **Co-Supervisors: Dr. David Western**
- 9. **Priscilla Lalampa. 2014 2017.** Bunched Grazing in Rangelands in Laikipia: Impacts on Animal Use and Productivity. **Co-Supervisors: Prof. Jesse T. Njoka and Prof. Daniel Rubenstein**
- John N. Wairore. 2014 -2015. Impact of Management Regimes on Enclosure Rehabilitation in Chepareria, West Pokot County, Kenya (MSc. student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Dr. Stephen Mureithi and Prof. G, Nyberg
- Lutta Alphayo. 2014-2015. Assessing Carbon Stocks and Herbage Productivity and Diversity under Different Grazing Regimes in Semi-Arid Rangelands of Northern Kenya (MSc. student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Prof. Kinuthia Ngugi and Dr. Wilfred Odadi
- Okomboli Klerkson Lugusa. 2013 -2015. Assessing the existing fodder value chain as a complementary source of pastoral livelihood in Tana River County (MSc. student registered at the University of Nairobi). Co-Supervisors: Prof. Todd Crane and Dr. Yazan Elhadi
- 13. **Henry Komu Mwaka**. **2011-2013**. Pastoral community learning on natural resource conservation and governance: A case of II Ngwesi conservancy in Laikipia County, Kenya MSc obtained from the University of Nairobi, funded by UoN). **Co-Supervisors: Prof. Jesse T. Njoka**
- **14. Mwanaima Rhajab**. **2011-2013**. Utilization and conservation status of wild edible plants in pastoral areas of Kajiado County, Kenya (MSc obtained from University of Kassel, Germany, funded by DAAD-GrassNet project). **Co-Supervisors: Prof. Brigitte Kaufmann**
- 15. Jie Zhang. 2011 -2013. Assessing socio-economic potential of wild medicinal plants and their threats as a basis for their conservation for enhanced pastoral livelihoods in Kajiado County, Kenya (MSc obtained from University of Kassel, Germany, funded by DAAD-GrassNet project). Co-Supervisors: Prof. Brigitte Kaufmann
- Ning Huang. 2010 2011. Impacts of grazing on belowground net primary productivity in Songnen Plain, China (MSc obtained from University of Kassel, Germany, funded by DAAD-GrassNet project). Co-Supervisors: Prof. Brigitte Kaufmann
- 17. Yazan A.M. Elhadi. 2008 -2010. Links between seasonal climatic variability and poverty: A case study of pastoral and agro-pastoral communities in Baringo District, Kenya (MSc obtained from the University of Nairobi, funded by RUFORUM). Co-Supervisors: Prof. Dickson M. Nyariki

On-going PhD:

- 1. **Kisambo, Bosco Kidake. 2017 2023.** Effects of grazing management and drought stress on productivity of *Cenchrus ciliaris* and *D. macroblephara* ecotypes and soil carbon in South Eastern Kenya **Co-Supervisor: Dr. Oscar Koech**
- Erick Ouma Omollo. 2021-2024. Analysis Of Use Value Of Indigenous Range Grasses And Perceptions
 On Pasture Production among Pastoralist Communities In Northern Kenya
 Co-Supervisor: Dr. Evans Chimoita
- 3. Peggy Mutheu Ngila. 2021-2024. Analysis of niche distribution and prediction risks by overhead power lines to Raptors in Kenva
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. David Chaiwo; Dr. Margaret Owuor
- 4. Victor A. Orindi. 2020-2023. Analysis of the effectiveness of climate change adaptation governance in Kenya: The case of County Climate Change Fund (CCCF) mechanism in Makueni and Isiolo counties Co-Supervisor: Prof. David Mungai
- 5. **Halima Nenkari. 2020-2023.** Analysis of Physiological Adaptations of *Ipomea hildebrandtii*, its effects on range herblayer and pastoral livelihoods in Kajiado County, Kenya
- 6. **Armara Macimiliam Galwab. 2020-2023.** Impact of climate variability on household livelihoods resilience and gender roles of pastoral communities in Marsabit County, Kenya
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. Oscar Koech; Prof. Geoffrey Kironchi
- 7. **Geoffrey Lenyayon Lelenguyah. 2017 2022.** Impacts of Climate variability and Herd Mobility on livestock disease control in Samburu Rangelands, Kenya
 - Co-Supervisor: Prof. Moses Nayangito
- 8. **Haileselassie Ghebremariam Araya. 2017 2022.** Analysis of the ecological and socioeconomic impacts of range exclosures in Tanqua Abergelle Woreda, Tigray province, Ethiopia
 - Co-Supervisor: Prof. Geoffrey Kironchi
- 9. **Nicholas M. Syano**. **2012- 2022.** Ecological and Socioeconomic Evaluation of Dryland Agroforestry Systems for Adoption in Eastern Kenya (PhD student registered at the University of Nairobi) **Co-Supervisors: Prof. Moses M. Nyangito**

Co-Supervisors. Prof. Moses M. Myangh

On-going MSc:

- 1. **Christine Nyawira Wanjoh. 2018-2023.** Analysis of vegetation productivity and diversity under community grazing and conservation areas in Laikipia county, Kenya
 - Co-Supervisor: Dr. Stephen Mureithi
- 2. **Jackline Achieng Onyango. 2018-2023.** Analysis Of Woody and Herbaceous Species Attributes Under Sedentary Agro Pastoral And Semi Nomadic Pastoral Systems in Njemps Flats
 - Co-Supervisor: Dr. Stephen Mureithi
- 3. **Sylvia Waithira Muchiri. 2018-2023.** Analysis Of Herbaceous And Woody Species Characteristics In Pastoral Community Grazing Areas
 - Co-Supervisor: Dr. Stephen Mureithi
- 4. **Sammy Koech. 2020 -2022.** Livestock Manure Management Practices and Methane Emission Under Extensive And Intensive Livestock Systems In Kajiado County
 - Co-supervisor: Prof. Geoffrey Kironchi
- 5. **Samuel Enock Wekesa. 2017 2019.** Analysis of Land Use and Land Cover Change and Perceptions of the Community on Permaculture in Rusinga Island, Homa Bay County
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. Stephen Mureithi
- 6. **Patricia Luiza Ndungu**. **2015 2017.** Evaluation of Biomass Yield and Nutrional Quality of Selected Ecotypes of Indigenous Grass Species in Semi-Arid Makueni County, Kenya
 - Co-Supervisors: Dr. William Mnene; Dr. Oscar Koech; & Dr. Yazan Elhadi
- 7. Fredrick Otieno Ochieng. 2016 2018. Effects of Charcoal Production on Vegetation and Soil Properties in Central Pokot Sub-County, Kenya
 - Co-Supervisor: Prof. Geoffrey Kironchi
- 8. **Ole Mosiany**. **2014 2017**. Extent of *Optuntia* species invasion and its impacts of on forage production in the drylands of Laikipia County

Co-Supervisors: Prof. Jesse T. Njoka and Dr. Judith Mbau

9. **Caroline Genga**. **2013 – 2016.** Assessing Factors Contributing to Indigenous Ecological Knowledge (IEK) Loss and Implications to Adaptive Capacity of Samburu Pastoral System

Co-Supervisor: Prof. Moses Nyangito

L. RECENTLY EXAMINED THESES

- Ken Ogao Obura. 2022. Socioeconomic And Ecological Impacts Of Community Conservancies: A Case Study Of Naibunga Community Conservancy In Laikipia County, Kenya (MSc candidate Registered at Egerton University)
- 2. **Brian Britex Owoyesigire. 2022.** Pastoralists Adaptation Strategies to Climate Variability And Extremes In the Pastoral Rangelands Of Uganda (Phd Candidate Registered At Makerere)
- 3. **Josephat Murunga Mungoche. 2022.** *Brachiaria Brizantha* Cv. Xaraes Yields And Soil Greenhouse Gas Emissions From Fertilized Humic Nitisols Of Central Kenya (MSc candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi)
- 4. **Trinity Senda. 2021.** An Ex-Ante Assessment of the Socio-Ecological Implications of Communal Land Certification in Pastoral Areas of The Borana Zone in Southern Ethiopia (PhD candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi)
- 5. **Sherril Phyllis Masudi. 2021.** Effects of Domestic and Wild Herbivores on Vegetation Response to Controlled Burning in an East African Savanna (MSC. candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi)
- Jan van der Lee. 2020. "Understanding dairy commercialization evolving market linkages, transition and resilience of dairy farming in the East African highlands" (PhD candidate Registered at the Wageningen University, Netherlands).
- 7. **Justin Okwir. 2019.** "Coping and Adaptation Strategies to Climate Change Drought Effects by Agro-Pastoralist and Smallholder Farmers in Kaabong District, Uganda" (MSc candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi, Institute for Climate Change and Adaptation (ICCA)).
- 8. **Peter Musyoka Kithuka. 2019.** "Impacts of Livestock Diseases on Incomes/Livelihoods in Kyuso Sub-County of Kitui County". (MSc. Student Registered at South Eastern Kenya University).
- Mary Wanjiru Warui. 2018. Analysis of conditions for potenial geographical indication labelling of Kenya honeys: Quality traits, polllitation service and actors' initiatives (PhD candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi).
- 10. **Ambrose Buyinza Wabwire. 2018.** "Seasonal Variability of Herbage Biomass Resources for Grazers in Karamoja Sub-region" (MSc. Candidate Registered at Makerere University)
- 11. **Mwasi Gladwell Mwemba. 2018.** "The Contribution of Livestock to the Livelihoods of Urban and Peri-Urban Residents in Nairobi County" (MSc candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi)
- 12. **Sarah Akello. 2017**. "Restoration of Degraded Watersed: The Case of Awoja, Eastern Uganda" (PhD. Candidate Registered at Makerere University)
- 13. **Daniel Onyango Ouma. 2017**. Socio-Economic Analysis of Factors Influencing Pastoral Livelihoods and Food Security Among Turkana Pastoralists of Northern Kenya (MSc candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi)
- 14. **Damalie Akwango. 2017.** "Determinants of an Effective Drought Early Warning System in Semi-Arid Areas of Uganda" (PhD. Candidate Registered at Makerere University)
- 15. **Ayodotun Oluwafemi Bobadoye. 2016.** "Vulnerability Assessment of Maasai Pastoralists Under Changing Climatic Condition and their Adaptation Strategies in Kajiado" (PhD candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi, Institute for Climate Change and Adaptation (ICCA))
- 16. **Betty Mbolanyi. 2016**. "The Potential of Rangelands for Improving Household Food Security in a Cattle Corridor Area in Uganda" (MSc. Candidate Registered at Makerere University)
- 17. **Mutavi Silvester Kyalo's. 2016.** "Determinants of Adoption of Forage Technologies among Peri-Urban Dairy Farmers in the Semi-Arid Region of South Eastern Kenya" (MSc. Student Registered at South Eastern Kenya University)
- 18. **Carolyn Karwitha Kanyuru. 2015.** "Dynamism, Value of Ecosystem Services and Adaptation to Socio-Economic and Ecological Challenges of Pastoralists' Institutional Arrangements in Northern Rangelands of Kenya" (PhD candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi)

- 19. **Patrick Mwambi Mwanyumba**. **2014.** "Trade, Herd Dynamics, Utilization and Value Addition of Indigenous Livestock of Northern Kenya" (PhD candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi)
- 20. **Oscar Kipchirchir Koech. 2014.** "Comparative Growth and Interspecific Competition Responses of Six Range Grasses to Varying Soil Moisture Content in Kenyan Rangelands" (PhD candidate Registered at the University of Nairobi).

M. INVITED REVIEW OF BOOKS, SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS & GRANT PROPOSALS

Books and Book Chapters

- 1. **2019:** Chapter in: "Co-producing knowledge on food systems for development in Africa". 2019. Africa Climate Change Adaptation Initiative (ACCAI).
- 2. **2019:** Chapter in: "Agriculture and Ecosystem Resilience in Sub Saharan Africa: Livelihood Pathways Under Changing Climate". 2019. Springer Publishers
- 3. 2017: Climate Risk and Food Security Atlas for the Horn of Africa. 2017. IGAD/ICPAC
- 4. **2014:** United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). 2014. Understanding Community Resilience: Findings from Community-Based Resilience Analysis (CoBRA) Assessments: Marsabit, Turkana and Kajiado counties, Kenya and Karamoja sub-region, Uganda. United Nations Development Programme, Drylands Development Centre. Nairobi.

http://www.disasterriskreduction.net/fileadmin/user_upload/drought/docs/CoBRA%20Assessments%20Report.pdf

Journal Articles and Conference Abstracts

- 1. **2020-Date**: Member of editorial board, Journal of Agriculture and Environement for International Development (JAEID)
- 2. 2019-Date: Member of editorial board, Journal of Socio-Ecological Practice Research, Springer
- 3. **2018-Date**: Articles in: Climate Risk Management, Elsevier
- 4. **2018-2019:** Articles in: International Journal of Social Economics
- 5. **2016-2020**: Articles in: Journal of Arid Environments (JAE), Elsevier
- 6. **2015-2019**: Articles in: Land Degradation and Development Journal (LDD), John Wiley & Sons Journal.
- 2014-2019: Articles in: International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction (IJDRR), Elsevier
- 8. **2019-2020:** Article in Pastoralism Research, Policy and Practice, Springer
- 9. **2017-2020:** Articles in: African Journal of Rural Development (AJRD), RUFORUM
- 10. **2019-2020:** Articles in: Gateways: International Journal of Community Research and Engagement. University of Technology Sydney (UTS) e-Press.
- 11. **2019-2020**: Abstracts for: International Grassland and Rangeland 2020 Congress
- 12. **2019:** Concept notes for: World Bank funded, Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project, Kenya Agriculture and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO)
- 13. 2019: Abstracts for: Agro2019 Conference, Faculty of Agriculture, University of Nairobi

N. SELECTED COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH & CONSULTANCIES

2022, October - December: Review of Indigenous Early Warning System (IEWS) in Karamoja, Uganda

Role: Range Management & Drought Risk Management Expert

Client: Tufts University/USAID

2022, **Augsust – December**, **2022**: Design of a Regional Programme for Livestock and Pastoralism for

Climate Change Adaptation in Eastern/Horn of Africa

Role: Range Management & Drought Risk Management Expert

Client: European Union

2021, August - March, 2022: Facilitation of Regional Policy Dialogue on Sustainable Use of Rangelands and

Cross-Border Natural Grazing Resources in IGAD cluster zones

Role: Lead Consultant, Range Management

Client: AU-IBAR/IGAD

2021, February - March: Facilitation of Virtual Online Learning on Scinetific Writing for Africa Climate Leadership Program (AfriCLP) Fellows

Role: Research Scientist

Client: Africa Climate Leadership Program (AfriCLP)

2021, February – March: Review of Desk Study to Understand the Role and Potential of Private Sector in

Addressing Acute Malnutrition in Isiolo and Marsabit Counties, Kenya

Role: Rangeland Management Specialist

Client: Submitted to Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) / Nutrition in

ASALs Within Integrated Resilient Institutions (NAWIRI) Program

2020, **December – January**, **2021**:Final Program Evaluation of Kenya Resilient Arid Lands Partnership for

Integrated Development (Kenya RAPID)

Role: Rangeland Management Specialist **Client:** Millennium Development (MWA)

2020, August – December, 2020: Strengthening Resilience Building Capacity through Three-Pronged

Approach: Development of National and Urban Integrated Context Analyses (ICA)

Role: Climate Change and Livelihoods Lead

Client: World Food Programme

2019, September – February, 2020: Assessment of Drought Impacts and Use of Early Warning Climate

Information for Resilience Building in the IGAD Region

Client: IGAD

Role: National Consultant, Drought Risk Management

2019 (January - May): Development of Regional Rangeland Management Strategic Framework for Arid and

Semi-Arid Lands in IGAD Region

Client: IGAD/ICPALD

Role: Lead Consultant, Rangeland Management

2018 (February - March): Development of Climate Risk Management Mainstreaming Training Manual for

Kenya

Client: NDMA/UNDP

Role: Climate Change Adaptation Lead

2017 (October - November): Community Resilience in Kerio River Ecosystem (CORKE) Project in Elgeyo-

Marakwet, West Pokot and Baringo Counties, Kenya

Client: NCCK

Role: Range Management and Resilience Specialist

2017 (March – May, 2017): Review the IGAD/ICPAC Climate Risk and Food Security Atlas

Client: IGAD/ICPAC Role: Reviewer

2016 (September – December): Baseline study to support the GEF-funded project "Building Resilience for

food security and nutrition in Chad's rural communities"

Client: CAMCO Advisory Services/African Development Bank

Role: Lead consultant on Agro-Silvo-Pastoral Production Systems in the Drylands

2016 (June 5 – August 30): Formulation of Framework for Integrated Climate Risk Management in Kenya

Client: National Drought Management Authority (NDMA/UNDP)

Role: Lead consultant on Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation

2016 (May 30 – June 16): Review of the draft national wildlife and climate change strategy for Kenya.

Client: African Wildlife Foundation (AWF) & Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS)

Role: Lead consultant on Rangeland Management

2015, November -2016, June: Technical Evalution of Drought Mitigation Related Technologies Under

Cash/Food for Assets Programme implemented in the Arid and Semi-Arid Lands of

Kenya by World Food Programme in partnership with FAO

Client: United Nations World Food Programme and FAO

Role: Lead consultant on Range Management

2015 (May 5 -27): Lake Victoria Environmental Management Programme (LVEMP II) Watershed

Management and Improved Livelihoods Technical Support Mission in Kenya, Uganda

and Tanzania.

Client: The World Bank and FAO

Role: Lead consultant on Range Management

2015 (Feb. - March): End of project Evaluation of the Natural Resource Management Facility (Changieni

Rasilimali Facility) at Act Change Transform (ACT!)

Client: Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency

Role: Lead consultant on Natural Resource Management and Livelihoods

2014 (Nov.) – 2015 (March): Development of Guidelines and Framework for Drought Resilience Analysis,

and Capacity Building of Stakeholders under the framework of the IGAD Drought

Disaster Resilience and Sustainability Initiative (IDDRSI), Kenya Country

Programming Paper (Drought Risk Management and Ending Drought Emergencies

Medium Term Plan for 2013-17.

Client: Dryland Development Centre, UNDP **Role:** Lead consultant on Dryland resilience

November, 2014 -February, 2015: Assessing Vulnerability of Communities and Livelihood Systems in

Turkana and Marsabit Counties

Client: GIZ

Role: Co-consultant on Pastoralist Livelihoods in Collaboration with German Institute

for Tropical and Subtropical Agriculture (DITSL), Witzenhausen, Germany

2014 (March – Aug): Design and Development of Pastoralist Resilience Partnership (PReP) Project

Proposal under DFID's Component B of BRACED Programme. The project focuses on Resilience Building and Adaptation to Climate Extremes and Disasters in the

context of Kenya and Uganda's Karamoja Cluster.

Client: PReP consortium comprising Action Against Hunger (ACF) in Kenya and Uganda, Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and Danish Demining Group (DDG) in

Kenya and Uganda

Role: Lead consultant on Dryland Ecosystems and Pastoral Livelihoods

2011 (June – August): End-term Evaluation of the Pastoralist Basket Fund programme in Tanzania

Client: CARE international **Role**: Principal researcher

2010 (Oct. – Nov.): Environmental Audit of AMREF's Pastoral Projects in Kenya

Client: AMREF Kenya Role: Lead expert

2010 (July – Aug.): Mid-term Evaluation of the Pastoralist Basket Fund programme in Tanzania

Client: CARE International-Tanzania

Role: Principal researcher

2010 – 2011: "Climate risk management and adaptations options for pastoral and agro-pastoral

systems in East and Central Africa. The study was jointly undertaken by ICRISAT and

ILRI and funded by ASARECA.

Client: ILRI

Role: Co-investigator

2009 - 2011: "Strengthening the adaptive capacity of rural poor to water scarcity in Kenya's

rangelands".

Client: A pilot study for Advancing Capacity to Support Climate Change Adaptation

(ACCCA) project funded by UNITAR and START.

Role: Co-investigator

2010: (Aug. 15 - 28): "Medicinal plants of Kajiado District: An assessment of species and therapeutic

claims of the Maasai community in Kajiado"

Client: AMREF Kenya Role: Lead expert

2008 – 2010: "Links between Seasonal Climatic Variability and Poverty: A case Study of Pastoral

and Agro-pastoral Communities in Baringo District, Kenya".

Client: RUFORUM funded project

Role: Co-investigator:

2011 (Jan. –April): Feasibility Study and designing of Livestock and Range Management component of

Wildlife Conservation Project in Northern Kenya

Client: Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife/French Development Agency

Role: Lead expert for Livestock and Rangeland Management

2010 (Jan – April): Training of Trainers on Pastoralism Dynamics and Policy Options (PPO) in Eastern

Africa

Client: IIED/KIMMAGE-UK/MS-Training Centre for Development Cooperation (MS-

TCDC), Arusha, Tanzania. The TOT training was funded by CORDAID

Role: Facilitator - Pillar one of the course, which entails dynamics of dryland natural

resources and their determinants.

2010: (Aug. 15 - 28): "Medicinal plants of Kajiado District: An assessment of species and therapeutic

claims of the Maasai community in Kajiado"

Client: AMREF Kenya Role: Lead expert

2007 – 2010: Facilitation of a course on Pastoralism Dynamics and Policy Options in Eastern Africa

Client: MS-TCDC, Arusha, Tanzania.

Role: Course facilitator - pillar one of the course, which entails dynamics of dryland

natural resources and their determinants

2006: (**Sept. – Oct.**): "A Comparative Study of Commercial Consumptive and Non-Consumptive Utilization

Options for Wildlife Conservation Strategies in Kenya".

Client: The International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW)

Role: Lead expert

2006 – 2007: Ecological and socio-economic assessment of the use and management of the

Lembus Forest.

Client: World Conservation Union (IUCN) through the Lembus Forests Integrated

Conservation and Development Project (ICDP)

Role: Co-investigator

2001 – 2002: "Indigenous Techniques of Assessing and Monitoring Range Resources in East

Africa".

Client: Regional Land Management Unit (RELMA at World Agroforestry Centre)

Role: Co-investigator

O. INVITED LECTURES IN SEMINARS

1. **Oliver Vivian Wasonga. 2019**. Mainstreaming Climate Risk Management into County Planning in Kenya. Training Workshop for Staff of Siaya & Narok Counties on 1st and 2nd August, 2019 at Acacia Premier Hotel, Kisumu.

- 2. **Oliver Vivian Wasonga. 2019**. Mainstreaming Climate Risk Management into County Planning in Kenya. Training Workshop for Staff of Makueni and Kwale Counties held on 29th and 30th July, 2019 at Swahili Beach Hotel, Diani.
- 3. Oliver Wasonga. 2013. Using Value Chain Approach to Reveal the Total Economic Value of Pastoral Livestock in Isiolo County, Kenya. Presented at the GrassNet SummerSchool 2013, University of Kassel in Witzenhausen, Germany (December 15-18, 2013)
- 4. **Wasonga V.O.**, G. Rukunga, D. Kurao, S. Chebii, I. Wairimu, S. Mathenge and C. Ikutwa. **2012**. Ethnobotany of wild medicinal plants among the Maasai pastoralists in Kajiado District, Kenya. Presented at the GrassNet SummerSchool 2012, University of Kassel in Witzenhausen, Germany (18 29 September, 2012)
- Wasonga V.O. and Kaufmann B. 2012. Understanding Adaptation to Climate Change in Pastoral Systems from the context of Resilience: An example from Turkana Pastoralists of North Kenya. Presented at the GrassNet SummerSchool 2012, University of Kassel in Witzenhausen, Germany (18 - 29 September, 2012)
- 6. **Wasonga V.O.** and Kaufmann B. **2011.** Managing the Challenges and Emerging Opportunities of Climate Variability and Change in Kenya's Drylands. Presented at the GrassNet SummerSchool 2011, University of Kassel in Witzenhausen, Germany (26 September 4 October, 2011)

P. PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

September 13-16, 2021: Training on Asynchronous Teaching and Learning. Sponsor: University of

Nairobi. Sponsor: University of Nairobi

September 8-10, 2021: Training on Publishing in High Impact Platforms & Turnitin Similarity Index.

Institution: University of Nairobi. **Sponsor:** University of Nairobi

September15 and 17, 2021: Training on Zotero Referencing Tool for Postgraduate Students and

Researchers, and Information Searching Strategies for all students and researchers. **Institution:** University of Nairobi. **Sponsor:** University of

Nairobi

December 8, 2020: Training on Orcid, Google Scholar & Self Archiving. **Institution:** University of

Nairobi. **Sponsor:** University of Nairobi

August 27 – 30, 2019: Training of Trainers (TOT) on Integrating Ecosystem Services (IES) into

Development Planning in Agrarian Landscapes. Sponsor: GIZ

May 24, 2017: Training Workshop for Development of ODEL Course contents for Dryland

Resource Management PhD Syllabus on 24th May, 2017 At KALRO HQRS, Loresho. **Institution**: University of Nairobi. **Sponsor**: African Drylands

Institute for Sustainability (ADIS)

February 02-04, 2016: Training in Pedagogy and Andragogy held on 2-4 February, 2016 at the

Central Catering Unit (CCU). Institution: University of Nairobi. Sponsor:

University of Nairobi

May 04 – 7, 2015: PhD Supervision Training Held at the Maanzoni Lodge between 4th May and

& 7th May, 2015. Institution: University of Nairobi. Sponsor: University of

Nairobi

November 28 - 29, 2013: Situation Analysis in Socio-Ecological Research. Institution: The German

Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture (DITSL), University of Kassel, Witzenhausen. **Sponsor**: The German Academic Exchange Service

(DAAD), GrassNet Programmme (www.ditsl.org).

September 15 - 28, 2013: Summerschool on "Synthesis – Cross continental analysis of grassland"

ecosystems vulnerable to climate change". **Institution**: University of Hohenheim, Institute for Plant Production and Agro-ecology of the Tropics and Subtropics, Stuttgart. **Sponsor**: The German Academic Exchange

Service (DAAD), GrassNet Programmme (www.ditsl.org).

March 18 - 22, 2013: Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Training Workshop. Institution:

Centre for Sustainable Dryland Ecosystems and Societies (CSDES).

Sponsor: CSDES

February 4 – 9, 2013: Research proposal development and scientific and technical communication.

Institution: The Training Centre in Communication (TCC), Nairobi. **Sponsor**:

University of Nairobi

Dec. 10 - 14, 2012: Regional training workshop on the environmental and socio-economic data

collection. Institution: The Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS), Tunis.

Sponsor: OSS

Sept. 18 - 29, 2012: Summerschool on "Modelling approaches to support Grassland"

Management". **Institution:** The German Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture (DITSL), University of Kassel, Witzenhausen. **Sponsor**: The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), GrassNet Programmme

Sept. 26 – Oct.7, 2011: Summerschool on "Livelihoods from Grassland systems: Concepts and

methods to increase adaptive capacity of land users to changing conditions". **Institution:** The German Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture (DITSL), University of Kassel, Witzenhausen. **Sponsor**: The German

Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), GrassNet Programmme

Feb. 21 - 25, 2011: Training of Educators' Workshop on "Conflict Management and Resolution in

Forestry and Natural Resources", Nairobi. Institution: The African Network

for Agriculture, Agroforestry and Natural Resources Education (ANAFE).

Sponsor: The United Nations Food Agriculture Organization (FAO)

March 22 – 30, 2009: The Role of Native and Desert-Adapted Species in Slowing Desertification.

Institution: Arava Institute of Environmental Studies (AIES), Kibuttz Quetura, Israel. Sponsor: United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs

(UN/DESA), and Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs Agency (MASHAV)

Aug.-Sept, 2005: Participatory Project Monitoring and Evaluation. Institution: Kenya Institute

of Administration. **Sponsor:** Self

Sept. 2003 - April, 2004: Water Resources and Livelihood Security. Institution: Linköping University,

Sweden. Sponsor: Sida/EPOS/PINEP

November, 2002: Trees for Arid Lands (trees for environmental protection and sustainable

development). **Institution:** Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel. **Sponsor:** International Program for Arid Land Crops (IPALAC) and Israel's

Ministry of Foreign Affairs Agency (MASHAV)

Q. PUBLIC LECTURES ATTENDED

 September 11– 12, 2022: Research Focus & Interests in the Drylands. Invited Lecture for Postgraduate Students taking Climate Impact Policy Course; Global Environmental Change and Policy, and Environmental Resource Management; & Water Risks course. Held at Institute for Environmental Studies (IVM), Amsterdam.

2. June 30, 2015: Postharvest Technologies for Reduced Food Losses and Waste. Lecture by Prof. Randolph Beaudry from Michigan State University

Venue: Faculty of Agriculture Building, University of Nairobi

3. **April 3, 2014:** Recent Advances in E-learning: Example from CSDES. Lecture by Prof. Robert G Woodmanse from Colorado State University.

Venue: Department of Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology, University of Nairobi

4. **February 20, 2014:** Land for Livelihoods: Sustainable Land Management in Agropastoral areas. Lecture by Dr. Zeinabu Khalif, the National Project Manager for SLM Agro-Pastoral The aim of the seminar was to share some experiences in implementing sustainable land management initiatives in the dry lands of Kenya using a case study of SLM-Agro-pastoral project (Government of Kenya/UNDP/GEF project).

Venue: Department of Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology, University of Nairobi

5. **November 14, 2013:** Pollination: The Forgotten Essential Ecosystem Service. Lecture by Dr. Wanja Kinuthia, National Museums of Kenya (Coordinator, EAFRINET).

Venue: Department of Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology, University of Nairobi

6. **March 15, 2013:** Enhancing Food Security and Climate Change Adaptation in the ASAL county of Machakos. Lecture by Bishop Titus Masika, Christian Impact Missionns.

Venue: Department of Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology, University of Nairobi

R. PARTNERSHIPS AND INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES

- 1. Institute for Environemental Studies (IVM), Vrije Univeristy, Amsterdam, the Netherlands: Collaboration on Drought and Water Resources Postgraduate Research & Staff Exchange Programme.
- 2. Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), Switzerland: Collaboration through International Virtual Course (IVC) on Tackling Climate Change through Global Learning Project.
- 3. Universidade Federal de Grande Dourados (UFGD), Brazil: Collaboration through International Virtual Course (IVC) on Tackling Climate Change through Global Learning Project.
- 4. University of Agricultural Sciences Bangalore (UASB), India: Collaboration through International Virtual Course (IVC) on Tackling Climate Change through Global Learning Project.
- 5. Univeristy fo Cardiff, UK: Collaboration through Drought Resilience In East African Dryland Regions (DRIER) project; Translation of climate information into multilevel decision support for social adaptation, policy development, and resilience to water scarcity in the Horn of Africa Drylands (DOWN2EARTH) project.

- 6. Univeristy fo Bristol, UK: Collaboration through Drought Resilience In East African Dryland Regions (DRIER) project
- 7. Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS), Denmark: Collaboration through Governing Economic Hubs and Flows in Somali East Africa (GOVSEA) project
- 8. University of Hargeisa, Somaliland: Collaboration through Governing Economic Hubs and Flows in Somali East Africa (GOVSEA) project
- 9. German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ) through the Economics of Land Degradrtion (ELD) initative project.
- 10. University of East Anglia: Collaboration through Adaptation at Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR) project
- 11. Univerity of Newcastle: Collaboration through Foundations for climate resilient and sustainable growing settlements (U-RES) project
- 12. University of Kwazulu Natal: Collaboration through U-RES project
- 13. OXFAM GB: Collaboration through ASSAR and U_RES projects
- 14. University of Addis Ababa: Collaboration through ASSAR consortium
- 15. University of Cape town: Collaboration through ASSAR consortium
- 16. The German Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture (DITSL) at University of Kassel, Witzenhausen: Collaboration through Post-doctoral Fellowship-DAAD GrassNet Project and Reduction of Post-Harvest Losses and Value Addition in East African Food Value Chains (RELOAD) project
- 17. University of Hohenheim, Germany: Collaboration through RELOAD project and DAAD GrassNet Project
- 18. The World Conservation Union (IUCN): Collaboration through the Sustainable Dryland Landscapes (SDL) Programme-in Drafting and Reviewing of the Report on "Investing in Healthy Rangelands in Devolved Kenya: Ecological, Social, Economic Governance towards an inclusive Green Economy".
- 19. Egerton University, Kenya: Collaboration through RELOAD project and DAAD GrassNet Project
- 20. TUFT University, Ethiopia: Collaboration through Economic Valuation (TEV) Pastoralism Project
- 21. Jimma University, Ethiopia: Collaboration through RELOAD project.
- 22. The International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED). Collaboration through Total Economic Valuation (TEV) Pastoralism Project in Isiolo; and Postgraduate Programme on Dryland Policy and Climate Change Adaptation.
- 23. Ambo University, Ethiopia: Collaboration through RELOAD project
- 24. Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO), Kiboko Research Station through Fodder Production for Enhanced Pastoral and Agro-Pastoral Resilience in the Drylands of Kenya (PREPARED) project.
- 25. Resource Advocacy Programme: Collaboration through Re-Packing Indigenous Knowledge to Inform Policy, Development and Pastoral Community Action in Kenya (PIK) project
- 26. Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries Development, Makueni and Kajiado Counties. Collaboration through PREPARED project.

S. NEGOTIATED MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING & COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS

2022: MoU between UoN Institute for Environemental Studies (IVM), Vrije Univeristy, Amsterdam

2021: MoU between UoN and Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), Switzerland; Universidade Federal de Grande Dourados (UFGD), Brazil; and University of Agricultural Sciences Bangalore (UASB), India

2020: MoU between UoN and the Centre for Research and Development in Drylands (CRDD)

2019: MoU between UoN and the University of Hargeisa in Somaliland

2018: MoU between UoN and the University of East Anglia in UK

2018: MoU between UoN and Economics of Land Degradation Initiative (ELD)

2018: MoU between UoN and START International

2015: MoU between UoN and the University of East Anglia in UK

2014: MoU between UoN and the German Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture (DITSL) in Germany

2013: MoU between UoN and University of Kassel in Germany

2013: MoU between UoN and International Institute for Environment and Development

T. GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

2018: Grants for Local Adaptation Support (GLAS), a competitive small grant awarded by

Global System Change for Analysis Research and Training (START)

2016 – 2017: The Christensen Fund, USA for Promotion of Pastoral Indigenous Knowlege **2015-2017:** The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM)

Graduate Research Grants (GRG)

2011/2012: German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) GrassNet post-doctoral scholarship

award. Undertaken at German Institute for Tropical and Sub-Tropical Agriculture

(DITSL), Germany

2009: Open Society Institute (OSI)/International Institute for Environment and Development

(IIED), bursary award to build awareness on adaptation to climate change in African

Universities

2009: United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN/DESA), and Israel's

Ministry of Foreign Affairs Agency (MASHAV) award for training on 'the Role of Native

and Desert-Adapted Species for the purpose of Slowing Desertification'

2002: International Programme for Arid Lands Crops (IPALAC) and Israel's Ministry of

Foreign Affairs Agency (MASHAV) award for training on 'Trees for arid lands'

2003/2004: Environmental Policy and Society (EPOS)/PINEP, an interactive course fellowship,

Linköping University, Sweden

2004-2006: Swedish International Development Agency (Sida)/PINEP PhD Scholarship Award

1992: University of Nairobi, B.Sc. Scholarship award1998: University of Nairobi, M.Sc. Scholarship award

U. PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

i. **2020 – Date:** Member, Adaptation Research Alliance (ARA)

ii. 2019 - Date: Member, East and Southern Africa Support Group for International Year of

Rangelands & Pastoralists (IYRP) 2026

iii. 2020-2021: Member, Tours Committee, Joint International Grassland & International Rangeland

Kenya 2021 Virtual Congress (Joint XXIV IGC and XI IRC 2021). Hosted by Kenya.

http://2021kenya-igc-irc.rangelandcongress.org/

iv. 2018 – Date: Member, Homa Bay School Alumni Association
 v. 2006 - Date: Member, University of Nairobi Alumni Association

vi. 2010 – Date: Founding member, African Universities Network for Climate Change and Development

(AUNCCD)

vii. **2009 – Date:** Member, Eastern Africa Environmental Network (EAEN)

viii. **2009 – Date:** Member, the East Africa Natural History Society (Nature Kenya)

ix. 2009 - Date: Member, the East African Wildlife Society (EAWS)
 x. 2008 - Date: Member, Soil Science Society of East Africa (SSSEA)

V. ADMINISTARTION & OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Chairman, Faculty of Agriculture Graduate Studies Committee
- 2. Programme Leader, BSC & MSC Range Management
- 3. Member, Research & Networking Committee, LARMAT
- 4. Member, ARUA Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Food Systems Management Committee (MANCO)
- 5. Former Head, Range Management Section, Department Land Resource Management and Agricultural Technology (LARMAT)
- 6. Former Chairman, Timetabling Committee, Faculty of Agriculture
- 7. Former Member. Environment Committee

W. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

- Partnership with the County Government of Samburu, County Government of Isiolo, VSF-Suisse, CARITAS, CRS, GAIN, Tuft University in capacity building on sustainable Rangeland Management. Codesigned with the stakeholders, a training module on Participatory Rangeland Management (PRM) for the Arid and Semi-Arid Rangelands
- 2. Member, Ending Drought Emergency, Pillar 6 (Institutional Development and Knowledge Management), Convened by National Drought Management Authority
- 3. Member, Board of Management, Raruowa Secondary School

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