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Date/Place of birth: 18 August 1982 / Kumasi, Ghana

Personal Description: Observant, analytical, team player, fast learner, initiative, hardworking and results oriented.

EDUCATION

University of Freiburg, Germany

October 2011 – June 2015

PhD Forestry

University of Cambridge, UK

October 2006 – October 2007

MPhil Environment, Society and Development

Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Ghana

October 2001 – June 2005

BSc Natural Resources Management

SHORT TRAINING

July 2012

Global sustainability summer school organized by the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies and the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research, Potsdam, Germany.

May 2010

Training workshop on carbon stock estimation organized by the Katoomba Group and Nature Conservation Research Centre, Ghana.

September-November 2009

'Leadership and adaptive management' course organized by Wageningen International, The Netherlands.

January 2009

Professional course in proposal writing organised by the British Council, Accra, Ghana.

July 2006 - August 2006

Tropical biology field course organised by the Tropical Biology Association at the Makerere University Biological Field Station, Kibale, Uganda.

June 2005 - September 2005

Student Researcher, Tropenbos students' platform programme: community-level forest conflicts and coping strategies of actors.

May 2005

Participant, 35th ISC-Symposium, St. Gallen University, Switzerland. The theme was corporate social responsibility.

Jan. - March 2002

Vacation attachment, Resource Management Support Centre of the Forestry Commission, Ghana. I gained practical knowledge of aspects of forest management as forest resource inventory and timber yield allocation.

WORK EXPERIENCE

August 2016 - presently

Lecturer, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana: Teaching Bachelor and Master students courses in social forestry, natural resource policy, natural resource conflicts, social research methods, indigenous knowledge in resource management, etc. I also supervise Bachelor and Masters theses in these areas.

August 2015 – August 2016

West Africa Regional Coordinator, International Bamboo and Rattan Organization (INBAR): Coordinated INBAR's activities in West and Central Africa. Achievements include: facilitating the development and implementation of sector roadmaps in Liberia and Nigeria; development of communication briefs on impacts of INBAR's interventions in Ghana, bamboo for land restoration in Ghana, bamboo for charcoal production in Ghana; and facilitating/contributing to the development of projects, including a newly-approved regional IFAD project.

November 2007 – May 2011

Project Coordinator (Forest Connect Project), Tropenbos International Ghana: Managed and coordinated the Forest Connect Ghana project on small forest enterprises in Ghana. Achievements include two books on small forest enterprises in Ghana; development of a second phase project which was approved and implemented.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT/IMPLEMENTATION EXPERIENCES

2016 to 2016, supported the INBAR Ghana office to implement the bamboo components of a project dubbed BiomassWeb.

2007-2011, Coordinator for the Forest Connect Ghana project on small forest enterprises in Ghana.

2011-2015, PhD project on forest management institutions in Ghana.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

- PhD research on institutions of local forest management [2011-2015]
- MPhil study research on the topic: 'Local people's participation in forest management: the Place of Ghana's Community Forest Committee (CFC) approach' [2007].
- Group (of two) research into gap-size influence on tree regeneration [2006].
- Project assistant for a study undertaken to determine the training needs of technical forestry officers in Ghana [2006].
- Research assistant for research project on illegal chainsaw lumbering in Ghana [2006].
- Multidisciplinary group (of seven) research into the causes of community-level forest conflicts and the coping strategies of actors [2005].
- BSc. thesis research which measured and compared the growth of two provenances of *Jatropha curcas* [2005].

PUBLICATIONS

- Osei-Tutu, P. (2017). Taboos as informal institutions of local resource management in Ghana: Why they are complied with or not. *Forest Policy and Economics* 85: 114-123
- Osei-Tutu, P., Pregernig, M. and Pokorny, B. (2015) 'Interactions between formal and informal institutions in community, private and state forest contexts in Ghana', *Forest Policy and Economics*, Vol 54: 26 - 35
- Osei-Tutu, P., Pregernig, M. and Pokorny, B. (2014) 'Legitimacy of informal institutions in contemporary local forest management: insights from Ghana', *Biodiversity and Conservation*, Vol 23: 3587–3605
- Osei-Tutu, P., Nketiah, K.S., Kyereh, B., and Owusu-Ansah M. (2012) *Small and Medium Forest Enterprises in Ghana: Sourcebook on Enterprise Characteristics, Activity Centres, Product Markets, Support Institutions and Service Providers*, IIED Small and Medium Forest Enterprise Series No. 28.
- Osei-Tutu, P. (2011) 'Local People's Participation in Forest Management: The Place of Ghana's Community Forest Committee Approach', *Ghana Journal of Forestry*, Vol 27 (3):45-62
- NNutakor, E., Marfo, E. and Osei-Tutu, P. (2011) 'Socio-Political Constraints to the Enforcement of Forest Laws: A Case Study of Chainsaw Operations in Ghana', *Ghana Journal of Forestry*, Vol 27:24-36
- Osei-Tutu, P., Nketiah, K., Kyereh, B., Owusu-Ansah, M., and Faniyan, J. (2010) *Hidden Forestry Revealed: Characteristics, Constraints and Opportunities for Small and Medium Forest Enterprises in Ghana*, IIED Small and Medium Forest Enterprises Series No. 27

ESSAYS

- 'Common property: An obstacle or an opportunity for sustainable natural resources management'
- 'Strengths and weaknesses of fortress conservation (in the context of developing countries)'
- 'Compatibility between poverty alleviation and biodiversity conservation'
- 'Natural resource endowment: a blessing or a curse?'
- 'Participatory development approaches and gender inequality'
- 'Do deliberative and inclusive processes enhance the effectiveness of environmental policy?'
- 'A world without humans'
- 'Challenges of the urban environment'

REPORTS

- Project inception and progress reports (2010) Forest Connect Ghana project
- Assignment reports (2010), REDDplus awareness creation and consultation workshops, submitted to the Forestry Commission
- Stakeholder analysis report (2007), EU-funded chainsaw project being executed by Tropenbos International Ghana
- Consultancy report (2008), 'Development of community-based communication strategy for the Community Forestry Management Project' (submitted to the now Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources)
- Communication strategy document for the Community Forestry Management Project (submitted to the Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources)
- Consultancy report (2008), 'Baseline socioeconomic survey for a Natural Resource Based Enterprise Project' (submitted to CARE International)
- Study report (2008), 'The Impact of Collaborative Forest Management Approaches on Communities: the Case of Adwenase Community Forest in the Assin Fosu Forest District of Ghana'

SKILLS

- Computer literate with working knowledge in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, SPSS, Minitab, MAXQDA and Internet browsing.
- Fluent in oral and written English, good writing skills
- Skilled in project formulation and reporting
- Good interpersonal skills: able to interact and work with people

POSITIONS HELD / SERVICE TO SOCIETY

- External Examiner, Graduate School, KNUST, 2015 - 2016
- Secretary, Ghana Union Freiburg, November 2011 – July 2015.
- Reviewer: International Journal of Biodiversity and Conservation; Journal of Biodiversity Management and Forestry; Journal of Democratization

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- [Tropical Biology Association](#), Alumni since 2006
- Ghana Institute of Foresters, Member since 2009
- [African Good Governance Network](#), Fellow since 2013

AWARDS

- Best poster, 2013 Graduate School Day, Graduate School 'Environment, Society and Global Change', University of Freiburg.
- PhD study scholarship funded by the DAAD, Germany
- Masters study scholarship funded by the Cambridge Commonwealth Trust and the Shell Centenary Scholarship Fund.
- Overall best graduating student of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, KNUST, during the 2005 university graduation ceremony. I had the honour of making a valedictory speech.

REFEREES

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