

Inka Mackenbrock

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

An excellent communicator within multicultural and multidisciplinary teams with over 5 years' experience. I am passionate to find solution-oriented approaches in issues of sustainability, justice and access to human rights through my skills and training in research, planning, coordination and implementation. Being trained in International Development has equipped me with global perspectives on how to lobby parties so as to achieve win-win results.

CORE SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Key skills

- Excellent analytical and communication skills in intercultural settings
- Strong skills in the coordination and leading of multidisciplinary teams
- Experienced in decision-making, negotiation and advocacy techniques
- Strong ability to work well under pressure, multitask, prioritize and in remote areas

Languages

- **German** – Fluent (mother tongue)
- **English** – Fluent
- **French** – Fluent
- **Dutch** – Fluent
- **Swahili** – Intermediate

EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS

March 2019

Certified Expert in Microfinance
Frankfurt School of Finance and Management

June 2018

MDF TRAINING & CONSULTANCY, NAIROBI
Advocacy and Policy Influencing

May 2018

MDF TRAINING & CONSULTANCY, NAIROBI
Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning
Developing M&E systems that balance accountability and learning

2014 – 2016

WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY & RESEARCH, NETHERLANDS
Master of Science in International Development Studies
Department of Public Administration and Policy Group

Specialization:

Law

Highlights:

Academic Consultancy Training research design about natural resource management of small-scale farmers in Rwanda;
Ethnographic fieldwork in Kibera, Kenya

Thesis title:

Access to education in informal settlements and the meaning of human rights in this context

Thesis achievement:

Development of guidelines for NGOs and policy makers in order to improve the access to education in slums

2011 – 2014

WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY & RESEARCH, NETHERLANDS
Bachelor of Science in International Development Studies
Department of Environmental Policy

Specialization:

Sociology of Development

Highlights:

Undergraduate minor program in Rabat: Social Studies of Morocco, The Netherlands Centre of Expertise for Moroccan Studies (NIMAR);
Research on the political engagement of youth in the social transformation of the Moroccan society

Thesis title:

Power struggle over land in Cambodia

Thesis achievement:

Identification of power relations between actors involved in the industrial sugarcane production in Cambodia

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

May 2017

International Conference on Education for Life in Africa, The Hague, Netherlands
Publication of the Journal Article, *Between bare necessity and transformative power: The value of informal schools in Kibera, Kenya*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Project Manager and Coordinator for German Affairs Nov 2019 - present
Savings Banks Foundation for International Cooperation (SBFIC) Kampala, Uganda
Overall responsibilities: Financial inclusion, professionalization of micro-finance institution, financial literacy for the population, vocational training for the micro finance sector

Civil Peace Service Expert Oct 2016 – Nov 2018

ASSOCIATION FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION Nairobi, Kenya

Overall responsibilities: Coordination of projects, including project cycle and financial management; Peace building and Civic Education activities during the General Election in 2017; Field work in hotspot areas such as Baringo, Marsabit, Nakuru and Nairobi
Key achievement: Implementation of joint peace meetings between conflicting ethnic groups, including a two-day peace conference for youth leaders

Assistant Dec 2015 – Apr 2016

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY TO THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS Geneva, Switzerland

Overall responsibility: Implementation of the 24th Session of the Universal Periodic Review and the 31st Human Rights Council in the Political Affairs Section
Key achievements: Negotiations with Member States about the resolutions on minorities, the environment and Mali; and first drafts of the national statements

Intern June - Aug 2014

XAVIER PROJECT Kibera, Kenya

Overall responsibility: Development of a 3-week Assessment Program targeting sponsored school children from minority groups to access education; Development of the Evaluation Concept for the Assessment Centre; Implementation of the Assessment-Centre
Key achievement: Long-term Assessment Program and Criteria implemented every year

Trainee June - Aug 2013

SAVING BANKS FOUNDATION FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION Kigali, Rwanda

Overall responsibility: Development of M&E concepts for the NGO's projects
Key achievements: Developed and implemented 'Theatre for Development' in Rwandese schools from 2014

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Mentor for girls April 2017 - Nov 2018
AKILI DADA Nairobi, Kenya

Overall responsibility: Nurturing leadership in girls and young women from underprivileged backgrounds

Project Intern Aug - Oct 2016

AFRICAN DIASPORA POLICY CENTRE The Hague, Netherlands

Overall responsibility: Organization of the Diaspora Academy Programme 'Advocacy, Lobby and Peace- building' Training
Key achievement: Successful conduction of the Diaspora Academy Programme, Empowerment, Networking and Capacity Building among African diaspora living in Europe

Secretary Sep 2012 - July 2013

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION WAGENINGEN (ISOW) Wageningen, Netherlands

Overall responsibilities: Organizing of weekly program activities such as languages, dance and art classes; Coordinating with Wageningen University in organizing the 'One World Week' event
Key achievement: Development of yearly activity and course program of ISOW; and successfully implementing the first of the 'One World Week' which became an annual event

REFEREES

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