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Work experience

Government of Bolivia -Development Planning Ministry

La Paz, Bolivia

(April - July 2014)

eGov Team Lead

- Lead and coordinated 4 working groups with different government agencies in charge of analyzing and drafting specific sections of a national plan for e-government on the following topics: transparency and citizen participation, priority sectors for the National Plan, Open Data, Open Source and Open Knowledge.
- Lead and coordinated activities that promoted multi-stakeholder partnerships to support the e-government agenda, including other government agencies, bilateral development agencies, World Bank, Organization of American States and the Inter-American Development Bank.
- Developed and supervised work plans for team members (10 professionals) and prepared terms of reference for consultants.

The World Bank – Social Development Department (SDV)

Washington, DC, United States

(November 2011-February 2014)

Knowledge Management Consultant

- Coordinator of knowledge management and dissemination activities for the Social Accountability and Governance team, responsible for training over 400 World Bank staff and disseminating tools that improved participation and engagement with civil society in World Bank operations.
- Channeled new knowledge products through different media channels: blogs, document repository, website, intranet, newsletters and tweets. Newsletter reached 450 people within the World Bank and 300 people from other organizations.
- Responsible for preparing, revising and editing case studies related to citizen participation and governance. Supported the implementation of the online tool “*Social Accountability E-Guide*” (<https://saeguide.worldbank.org/>).

The World Bank – Social Development Department (SDV)

Washington, DC, United States

(October 2010 – October 2011)

Consultant for the Development of Monitoring Indicators

- Responsible for identifying indicators to monitor social conflict in fragile and conflict-affected states (FCS), which can be used to measure and mitigate adverse effects of transport projects on existing conflict situations.
- Conducted research and analysis of possible negative impacts of transport projects in fragile country contexts, which was included as part of an online tool to help project leaders minimize negative impacts of their transport projects.
- Responsible for the preparation and review of case studies about the impact of transport projects in Yemen, Sri Lanka, Kosovo and Afghanistan.

Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)/Inter-American Culture and Development Foundation (ICDF)

Washington DC, United States

(October 2009- October 2010)

Program Officer

- Supervision of 5 field-based consultants and 4 consultants located in Washington, DC. Supervision included drafting TORs, review of reports, approval of outputs as well as suggesting possible changes and corrections before approval.
- Review of financial transactions of the organization as part of the internal checks and balances.
- Implemented a new and updated method to process the financial information, which led to a 50% reduction in the time needed to review the financial transactions.
- Supervised international team of 6 consultants and 2 interns that developed “GeoAmericas”, an online platform that features georeferenced cultural assets to promote tourism and social inclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean

CentroNia

Washington DC, United States

(April 2009 – October 2009)

Outcomes Specialist

- Responsible for the design of a *monitoring dashboard* tool to measure results and progress indicators of the bilingual education and early childhood education programs.

- Advisor for grant proposal preparation, providing support for the definition of goals, evaluation tools and indicators.

SOS Kinderdorp International

La Paz, Bolivia

(April – October 2008)

Research, Monitoring and Evaluation Manager for Latin America

- Supervised and lead research and monitoring activities of 10 countries in South America, and coordinated activities with Central America and Caribbean regional office.
- Responsible for analyzing information requirements to monitor and measure results and impact of the different programs of vulnerable and orphan infants and children.
- Coordinated data collection and analysis for program evaluation at local and regional levels (including survey design, pilot, validation and implementation).

Government of Bolivia - Finance Ministry

La Paz, Bolivia

(September 2005 – March 2006)

Fiscal Analyst

- In charge of database management and update, review and weekly analysis of the most important internal and external macroeconomic variables.
- Generated indicators and charts as required by the Finance Minister, for publications, meetings, press conferences and background analysis. These were key for monitoring the economy and for decision making, as well as presenting the outcomes by the end of the year.
- Drafted two short articles highlighting the impact of the reduction in foreign debt for the Ministry's Newsletter.

Education

- **Erasmus Rotterdam University/Institute of Social Studies (ISS)**
The Hague, Netherlands (2007)
Master's Degree in Development Studies
Major: Population, Poverty and Social Development, Minor: Poverty Studies
- **Universidad de Chile (CEEDE-CMLA)**
La Paz, Bolivia (2006)
Diploma in Preparation, Management and Evaluation of Social Investment Projects
- **Universidad Católica Boliviana**
La Paz, Bolivia (2004)
Bachelor's Degree in Economics. Graduated with honors (Magna Cum Laude)

Relevant Courses:

- **Open Government Partnership (OAS, IDB, ECLAC)** - Online Course (2014)
"Open Government Strategies for the Americas"
- **Organization of American States (OEA)** - Online Course (2014)
"Introduction to the Elaboration of eGov Strategies"
- **Journalist Foundation, Swedish Development Agency, UN Governance Program** - Online Course (MOOC) (2013)
"Digital Rights for Citizens and Journalists"

Publications:

- **Author: "The Impact of Community Based Ecotourism Projects"** (Book) (2014)
LAP Lambert Academic Publishing, Germany. ISBN-13: 978-3659630507
- **Contributor: "Violent Conflict and the Road Sector: Points of Interaction"** (Report) (2013)
World Bank, Washington, DC
- **Contributor: "World Bank civil society engagement: review of fiscal years 2010-2012"** (Report) (2013)
World Bank, Washington, DC
- **Author: "The impact of Community-Based Ecotourism Projects in Amboro National Park, Bolivia"** (Thesis) (2007)
Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands

- **Co-Author: "Factores Determinantes de la Probabilidad de Afiliación al Sistema de Pensiones en Bolivia"** (Article) (2006)
Revista Investigación y Desarrollo, N°6 (Peer Reviewed). La Paz, Bolivia

Languages : English (fluent), Spanish (fluent), German (intermediate)

Computer programs :

- Microsoft Office /SPSS, Stata, E-Views/ Adobe Connect/ Sharepoint/ Webex
- Excellent use of social network sites for organizational goals, including blogs, Twitter, LinkedIn, Scribd and others.