

RESUME

Name: John Murimi Njoka
Profession: Social Protection and Social Development
Years of experience: 22 (as at January 2013)

Key Qualifications:

- Baseline survey/research and needs assessments;
- Programme and project monitoring and evaluation;
- Project Cycle Management;
- Project design, development and management;
- Capacity assessments and strengthening;
- Participatory development processes;
- Facilitation of stakeholder engagement processes at local, national and international levels;
- Detailed analysis, clear writing of reports & excellent presentation skills for all levels of audiences.

Education:

<i>Institution</i>	Institute for Development Studies, University of Nairobi (Kenya)
<i>Date</i>	Ongoing
<i>Degree(s) expected</i>	PhD (Development Studies) on social protection in Kenya

<i>Institution</i>	University of Nairobi
<i>Date</i>	1993-1995/6
<i>Degree(s) obtained</i>	Master of Arts (Sociology)

<i>Institution</i>	University of Nairobi
<i>Date</i>	1989 – 1992
<i>Degree(s) obtained</i>	Bachelor of Arts (Sociology), First Class Honours

Employment record:

<i>Date</i>	2000 – to date
<i>Location</i>	Nairobi
<i>Company</i>	Institute for Development Studies, University of Nairobi
<i>Position</i>	Research Fellow
<i>Description</i>	Designing and executing research programmes and projects for both policy and academic purposes on topical issues of social protection and social development, e.g. policies on vulnerable groups, situational analysis of vulnerable groups, monitoring and evaluation of interventions on social development, etc.; Disseminating research findings within and outside the university community through publications, presentation of papers and strategic reports, lectures to graduate students and participation in national and international research assignments and related forums.

<i>Date</i>	1995 – 2000
<i>Location</i>	Nairobi
<i>Company</i>	Department of Sociology, University of Nairobi
<i>Position</i>	Assistant Lecturer
<i>Description</i>	Preparing and delivering lectures; Designing and undertaking research projects; Disseminating research findings to the university community and the other stakeholders; Participating in research assignments and related forums

Summary of experience:

Since 1991, I have undertaken numerous socio-economic development assignments for private and public sector agencies such as Government of Kenya (different ministries and departments), Plan International, UNICEF, Sida, CIDA, UNCRD Africa Office, UNDP, Save the Children, World Vision International, Action Aid Kenya, MS Kenya/Action Aid, MS-TCDC Arusha Tanzania, Legal & Human Rights Centre Tanzania, IOM Office for Eastern & Southern Africa, Peace & Human Rights Network of Mogadishu Somalia, ABANTU for Development in Eastern & Horn of Africa, ILO-IPEC Kenya office, Catholic Dioceses of Ngong/Homa Bay/Machakos/Murang'a, Family Care International of Kenya & New York, Childfund, among others. Most of the time, I have been the Team Leader in these assignments. In addition, I have been training and facilitating high-level sessions for strategic planning, M&E, development of strategic and operational plans, and design and implementation/execution of monitoring and evaluation systems for organizations.

Key achievements:

- ✓ Supported the production of human development reports for Kenya in three years (2004 on redressing socio-economic disparities, 2005 on participatory governance and 2009 on youth and human development). These documents provide an opportunity for debate and discussion on various development issues with a view to correcting emergent gaps.
- ✓ Supported the development of impact based monitoring and evaluation systems MS Kenya/Action Aid Kenya and AMREF Training Centre.
- ✓ Trained successful project managers and M&E experts across Africa working with EU, UN, INGOs. Governments, etc all making a difference in the lives of numerous marginalised groups.
- ✓ Supported efforts towards a national child protection system in Kenya as well as efforts towards streamlining alternative care, foster care and guardianship especially for orphans and vulnerable children.
- ✓ Managed a two-year child labour project funded by the ILO with the results of having entrenched the teaching of child labour issues within IDS-UoN, stimulating child labour and child protection research and publishing a book on child labour (Alila P.O. & J.M. Njoka (eds.) (2009) *Child Labour: New and Enduring forms from an African Development Policy Perspective*. IDS-UoN & ILO-IPEC.)

Publications:

J.M. Njoka (2011) *Politics and Ethnicity: The Search for a Solution*. In J. Jones, J. Williams & A. Kumssa *Conflict and Human Security in Africa: Kenya in Perspective* Palgrave MacMillan.

Mwangi, I & J.M. Njoka (2011) *Research Methodology*. In J. Jones, J. Williams & A. Kumssa *Conflict and Human Security in Africa: Kenya in Perspective* Palgrave MacMillan.

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Njeru, G.R.N & J.M. Njoka (2007) *Political Ideology in Kenya* In P. Wanyande et. al. (2007) Governance and Transition Politics in Kenya. Nairobi: Nairobi University Press.

Hobbs, L., J.M. Njoka & S. Mwakaje (2005) Holistic Evaluation. Report of the comprehensive evaluation of the Legal and Human Rights Centre, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

UNDP (2004) *Participatory Governance for Human Development. Third Kenya Human Development Report*. I was a contributor giving the sociological input.

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Kanyinga, K. and J.M. Njoka (2002) The Role of Youth in Politics: The Social Praxis of Party Politics among the Urban Lumpen in Kenya. In Africa Journal of Sociology Vol.V, No.1.

Njeru, E.H.N. and J.M.Njoka (2001), Women Entrepreneurs in Nairobi: The socio-cultural factors influencing their investment patterns. In P.O.Alila and P.O. Pedersen (eds) Negotiating Social Space: East African Micro Enterprises. Trenton NJ: Africa World Press.

Ayiemba, E.H.O, R.N. Otunga, K. Aduda, H. Bwisa, M. Muchiri, E. Njeru, J. Njoka, O.I. Odulajah, P. Ondiege, P. Rono, B. Sabana & F. Wegulo (1999) Information-Based Business Development Services in Kenya: A Benchmark Study of Selected Projects. IDS Occasional Paper No. 66. July. REME project.

Chitere, P.O., E.H.N. Njeru, R. Otunga, G. Ongile, J. Njoka, J.G. Copestake, J.A. McGregor & S. Johnson (1999), Impact Assessment of Microenterprise Projects. IDS Discussion Paper No. 298. June.

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Njeru, E.H.N. and J.M.Njoka (1998), Small Scale Enterprise in Nairobi: The socio-cultural factors influencing investment patterns among informal sector women entrepreneurs. IDS Working Paper No. 523. December

Language skills: (Mark 1 to 5 for competence, 5= excellent)

<i>Language</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Writing</i>
English	5	5	5
Kiswahili	5	5	5
Kikuyu	5	5	5

Participation in outreach/community activities:

- a) Chairman, Board of Directors for African Network for the Prevention and Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect (Kenya Chapter).
- b) Chairman, Board of Governors for Thiba Secondary School in Kirinyaga County.
- c) Member of the Advisory Panel for the Violence Against Children Report 2013 coordinated by the African Child Policy Forum (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia)
- d) Associate Resource Person for MS-Denmark/Action Aid Training Centre for Development Cooperation in Arusha, Tanzania.
- e) Director of Bekar College of Professional Studies (Thika, Kenya)
- f) Advisor, Kirinyaga South Development Caucus in Kirinyaga County

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