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Highly motivated, committed, honest, and meticulous trainer, researcher and consultant with 20 years' experience. I am a post-doc with experience in transdisciplinary research with focus on social, political, economic, and ecological issues related to food systems and agriculture.

### **Summary**

# **Educational Background**

- 2015-2020 Post doc food systems social ecological resilience
- 2004-2009 PhD, Agricultural Geography, University of Nairobi
- 1992-1996 Masters' Degree in Agricultural Geography,
- University of Nairobi
- 1987-1991 Bachelor of Education (Arts), University of Nairobi

## **Work History**

- Current employment status: University of Nairobi,
   Department of Geography, Population and Environmental Studies
- 2024 -to date-Associate Professor
- 2012 -2024: Senior Lecturer,
- 2005-2012-Lecturer
- 2001-2005: Assistant Lecturer
- 1998-2001: High School Teacher employed by Kenya
- Teachers Service Commission

2019-2021 post-doc research Transformative Pilot Actions (TPAs) Food systems research

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Experience	<ul> <li>Chairperson and Associate Professor, Department of Geography Population &amp;Environmental Studies, University of Nairobi</li> <li>2024 -Associate Professor</li> <li>2012 to date: Senior Lecturer</li> <li>2005-2012-Lecturer</li> <li>2001-2005: Assistant Lecturer</li> <li>1998-2001: High School Teacher employed by Kenya</li> <li>Teachers Service Commission</li> </ul>
Professional membership registration	<ul> <li>Kenya National Academy of Science Member (KNAS)         <ul> <li>http://www.knascience.org</li> </ul> </li> <li>Association of Environmental Studies and Sciences (AESS)         <ul> <li>https://aessonline.org</li> </ul> </li> <li>Mentor, Food Systems Research Network for Africa (FSNeT-Africa) <ul> <li>https://fsnetafrica.com</li> </ul> </li> <li>Community for Applied Agricultural Sustainability Teaching (CAAST) <ul> <li>https://caast-network.org</li> </ul> </li> <li>People for Nature Global and Africa</li> <li>Associate Member Society for Development and Sustainability (ISDS)</li> </ul>
Supervision	PhD Supervised 5 PhDs Masters

	Supervised 25 masters
Publications  Journal articles	Mukhovi SM, Kiteme B, Mwangi J and Wambugu G (2024) Transdisciplinary knowledge co-production as a catalyst for community-led innovation: a case study of farmers' milk cooperative in Laikipia, Kenya. <i>Front. Sustain. Food Syst.</i> 8:1494692. <a href="https://doi.org/10.3389/fsufs.2024.1494692">https://doi.org/10.3389/fsufs.2024.1494692</a>
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- 3. Mukhovi, S., From Research to Action: Participatory Transformation and Sustainability of Farmers Milk Cooperative in Smallholder Community in Laikipia, Kenya. 8<sup>th</sup> World Sustainability Forum, 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> September 2020, Virtual Conference.
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#### Research funds

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- 2023-2024: Co-Principal Investigator, The Impact of Covid-19 on Women Informal Food Vendors in Nairobi's Informal Settlements (<u>MiFood Network Project</u>). In collaboration with Balsillie School of International Affairs, Wilfrid Laurier University. Funded by SSHRC Partnership Grant.
- 2021 Virtual Food Sustainability Academy (VFSA)(27000CH) funded by Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF). A consortium of five institutions: University of Nairobi, University of Bern, National University of Colombia, COMPAS (Bolivia), and University of Nigeria, Ntsuka. We trained 16 students. We trained 16 students from Kenya, South Africa and South Sudan and Ethiopia
- 2017-2021: Collaborator, International Development Research Centre (IDRC)-funded Urban Food Systems Governance for Non-Communicable Diseases Prevention (Nourishing Spaces) Project (31763 USD) in Cape Town, Kimberly (South

Africa), Windhoek, Oshakati (Namibia), Kisumu and Nairobi (Kenya), in collaboration with African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town. • 2015-2020: Collaborator, SSHRC and IDRC-funded **Hungry** Cities Partnership (HCP) Project in Cape Town (South Africa), Bangalore (India), Kingston (Jamaica), Maputo (Mozambique), Mexico City (Mexico), Nairobi (Kenya) and Nanjing (China), in collaboration with Balsillie School of International Affairs, Wilfrid Laurier University and African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town. • 2015-2017: Post-doctoral fellowship in the research project; Towards Food Sustainability: Reshaping the Coexistence of Different Food Systems in South America and Africa Food systems. My research was on food systems' social-ecological resilience and the project was funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF) (Money channelled through CETRAD) • 2018-2020: Second Post-doctoral fellowship in Phase two of the same project working on Transformative Pilot Actions (TPA) in Kenya and Zambia also funded Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF) • 2019-2020: Principal investigator in collaboration with University of Bern, The r4d synthesis project on "Utilisation of research knowledge in transformative pathways. We synthesized all the r4d projects assessing their contribution to sustainable development transformations. The project was funded by SNF and managed from University of Bern. Chairperson Department of Geography, Population Environmental Studies (2025-2028)

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