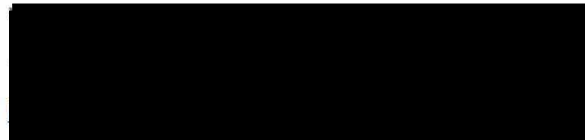


## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Erminio Sacco



Italian citizenship

## WORK EXPERIENCE

03/2018 – 07/2018

08/2017 – 11/2017

## Senior Advisor

Agenzia Italiana per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo (AICS), Regional Office in Tunis (Tunisia)

- Advice to the AICS Regional Office on the formulation and inception of the AICS Stabilization Programme for Libya, composed of 3 projects.
- Support the finalization of technical documents and planning documents - e.g. Description of the Action, Logframe, Communication & Visibility Plan, Budget, Work & Activity plan.
- Support the negotiations with funding entities (EU), implementing partners (UNDP, UNICEF), and Libyan counterparts.

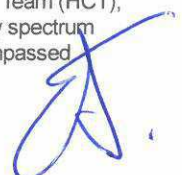
08/2017 – 11/2017

11/2013 – 03/2017

## Senior Advisor

## Chief Technical Advisor

- Provided overall management of the Agriculture and Food Information System for Decision Support (AFIS) programme with the core objectives of (i) capacity development of the National Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Animal Resources to operate a comprehensive food security information system, integrating nutrition; (ii) establish an institutional inter-stakeholder platform to support decisions and policy development in the area of food and nutrition security, a priority concern for development partners.
- Managed the EU funded AFIS program, with a budget of EUR 10.5m over 4 years, with complementary funding from OFDA, Canada and Norway – as well as in-kind and cash contributions by WFP, UNICEF and FEWS NET. Selected, supervised and coordinated the team (comprising of 5-7 international and 7-12 national staff), including work planning, risk management, quality assurance, and timely deliverables. Led the identification and formulation (2016-17) of an EU funded 3-year Agro-pastoralist Livelihood Resilience Programme, including an AFIS Phase 2 result with a total budget of EUR 28m, launched in July 2017.
- Led the agriculture and food security information systems development and partnership, including the IPC (Integrated Food Security Phase Classification) platform institutionalization; co-led the inter-stakeholder network providing situation analyses, projections and early warning; advised humanitarian and resilience coordination forums on disaster risk management, emergency response strategies and longer-term programming.
- Pro-actively developed inter-institutional partnerships with UN agencies (particularly WFP and UNICEF), government and NGOs with a focus on joint platforms facilitating policy dialogue on IPC, food security & nutrition integration and nutrition-sensitive interventions (rural livelihood, nutrition-sensitive agriculture) monitored through rainfall, crop and livestock monitoring networks.
- Promoted and rolled out large scale capacity building of government, UN and NGOs staff at national and local levels to improve resilience, sustainability and granularity of the nutrition & food security information systems. Designed, coordinated and supervised a number of training courses, including: Integration of nutrition and food security programming, under an ECHO-funded regional project: 1 national Training of Trainers programme and 5 State level training workshops (2014-2015); IPC Nutrition Classification: piloting, training and rolling out (2015-2016); IPC Level 1 training: 3 courses at national level (2015-16); and Agricultural statistics: 1 training workshop at national level (2013).
- Provided food security data and policy analysis contributions to FAO and partners to inform the nutrition & food security policy development process; served as senior advisor to the humanitarian and resilience forums and represented FAO at high level meetings on food security policy, programming and monitoring in the country and region – e.g. declaration on famine in January 2017. Facilitated working relations and policy dialogues with donors, UN partners and Government drawing on the food security intelligence and information produced by AFIS programme. Contributed to nutrition & food security policy development/formulation both within FAO, as well as in inter-stakeholder platforms including UN Country Team (UNCT), Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), Food Security & Livelihood (FSL) Cluster, Government & donor forums. The policy spectrum covered the development/resilience/humanitarian response continuum and encompassed agriculture, food and nutrition assistance, and social protection. In particular,





- a) 4 Humanitarian Appeals (2014-2017): developed information/policy interface in the humanitarian response policy development process and forum. The FSL component is approximately 50% of the massive humanitarian response budget in South Sudan (e.g. USD 1.6 billion in 2017). Supported Food Security & Livelihood Cluster in the policy development and review process, finalised every year in October and reviewed in May. Led the development of food security information system used for evidence-based policy making to shape scope, priorities, geographic targets, and beneficiary profiles;
- b) Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Initiative: as member of the national secretariat, coordinated the SUN inception phase in 2015 and advocacy/mobilization in 2016-17;
- c) Comprehensive Agriculture Master Plan (CAMP): represented FAO in policy dialogue with development partners and the policy formulation process led by the Government with support from donors, supported development of CAMP as a policy framework (2015-2040) for agriculture, livestock, forestry and water management in South Sudan;
- d) Co-led the formulation of the FAO South Sudan Resilience Strategy (2016). Co-chaired the Food & Nutrition Security Information Network - a FAO, FEWS NET, UNICEF, WFP partnership coordinating joint planning, operations and communication, including IPC as the flagship information product. Represented FAO in the Agriculture & Livelihood Development Partners working group and contributed to inform policy discussions. Coordinated the Food Security & Livelihood Cluster in 2014, including the project vetting committee Common Humanitarian Fund (CHF) allocation – an OCHA's Country Based Pooled Fund for swift and strategic action.
- As member of the FAO Senior Management Team, coordinated and supported the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the entire FAO South Sudan Country Programme, composed of several projects, which grew from a total budget of EUR 13m in 2013 to EUR 80m in 2017. Advised both Management and Programme Unit during formulation, implementation and monitoring of rural livelihood, food security and nutrition-sensitive agriculture programmes (both emergency response and resilience building). Coordinated the Country Programme planning and monitoring to ensure that FAO Country Programme addresses food insecurity and malnutrition priority areas and population groups. Facilitated external evaluation mission in 2015 which made massive use of the analyses produced by the FAO AFIS Team under his management.
- Designed, managed and implemented regular (2014-2016, 2-3 per year) large scale (sample of 2,400-4,300 households) nutrition & food security households surveys; provided regular (monthly, seasonal) monitoring of key indicators; coordinated studies: Impact of Conflict on the Livestock Sector (South Sudan, 2015); Integrated F&N Security Causal Analysis (South Sudan, 2016).

04/2013 – 10/2013

### Regional Food Security Officer

UN FAO Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office for southern Africa, Johannesburg, South Africa

- Led food security information systems, agricultural emergency preparedness & response, risk reduction & mitigation, and early recovery programming.
- Provided technical support and coordination in the nutrition & food security policy formulation process and to strengthen food security information systems in the region, coordinating with development partners and government. Represented FAO and led the Regional Food and Nutrition Security Working Group (FNSWG), including convening meetings, coordinating the secretariat, co-leading joint programming and activities for implementation of nutrition & food security policies. Co-lead the preparation and dissemination of the FSNWG multi-agency Southern Africa Regional Food Security Situation Update and other food security briefs.
- Provided technical support to the Regional Inter-Agency Coordination Support Office (RIASCO) to strengthen emergency preparedness and response in the region, including the FAO/OCHA/WFP Resilience Strategy formulation.
- Represented FAO within the SADC Regional Vulnerability Assessment Committee (RVAC), providing technical support to strengthen technical assessments and dissemination of information for action, and participating in RVAC Annual Planning & Dissemination Meetings. As Chair of SADC RVAC IPC Working Group, led the roll-out of the IPC within the region.
- Supported and advised the IPC Coordinator seconded to SADC, supported capacity building, training, lessons learning and institutionalization of IPC, and facilitated the mobilization of human and financial resources for IPC activities in the region. Technically supported other regional and national early warning information and analysis systems, including those pertaining to seasonal rainfall forecasting and monitoring, crop performance and crop forecasting and estimations. Provided technical support for implementing and monitoring FAO Country Emergency and Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Programmes (covering nutrition, food security, emergency response programmes) as needed to strengthen country emergency preparedness and response.





04/2012 – 03/2013

### Chief Technical Advisor

UN FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, Thailand

- Managed the implementation and monitored the EU (ECHO) funded capacity development project "Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC)": Special Focus to Strengthen IPC Capacity in Asian Countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines) for Government authorities in these beneficiary countries, with a budget of EUR 1,5 million.
- Established and coordinated the IPC Regional Support Unit and provided required institutional and technical support to IPC stakeholders in the six countries and at the regional level. Provided capacity building for IPC stakeholder platforms comprised of governmental bodies, including training of trainers and analysts (e.g. first global IPC Level 2 Training of Trainers in Bangkok, Jan 2013), and application at regional and country level. Led the preparation of IPC analysis and ensured the production of the narrative analysis and the IPC maps for comparative food security analysis across the countries.
- Mobilised and coordinated a core group of technical experts (regional and national experts) to support the technical and institutional development and application of IPC in the region. Achieved the promotion of, with relevant Government institutions in the 6 countries, the adoption of IPC as a standard set of protocols for food and nutrition analysis, in order to harmonize information for policy development; built the capacity of Government and development partners' staff in IPC, established a national IPC Technical Working Group, led by the Government with development partners. Designed, coordinated and supervised one IPC introduction training workshop per country. In Pakistan, in addition to the national workshop, delivered 1 workshop in each Province.
- Prepared funding proposals and strategic plan of action for supporting IPC activities in the six countries and at regional level. Formulated the project Concept Note for a follow up phase of the project to be funded by EU.

03/2011 – 04/2012

### Regional Emergency and Rehabilitation Advisor

UN FAO Regional Office Near East &amp; North Africa, Cairo, Egypt

- Represented FAO in development partners' coordination forums related to the Libya crisis, including UN Country Team, Humanitarian Country Team and Security Management Team, as well as inter-agency Post-Conflict Planning. Led the FAO transitional support to the Libyan Ministry of Agriculture, Animal & Marine Wealth, including stabilization, recovery and institutional development interventions.
- Implemented capacity development project with the Libyan Ministry of Agriculture for improving the agricultural policy formulation process and analysis. Designed, coordinated and supervised one training programme for Libyan Ministry of Agriculture national staff, supporting the transition from a central planning approach to a needs & market based approach.
- Coordinated with development partners, including donors, UN and NGOs, to build the FAO profile in the Libya crisis. Maintained communication flows and expanded the interaction with RNE management and relevant officers in relation to food system crisis management and stabilization in the framework of longer-term food security governance; developed concept papers on emergency food policy response and provided advice on strategic initiatives to position FAO in the regional context; liaised with the FAO Liaison Offices in Geneva and New York in relation to the regional crisis.
- In the framework of the joint World Food Programme (WFP)/FAO Regional Food Security Assessment and in close consultation with WFP counterparts: co-led the formulation, preparation, implementation, analysis and reporting for the food security assessments (socio-economic research studies) in Tunisia and eastern Libya; and co-led the consultations with national and international partners.
- As Co-Chair of the Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster, led policy dialogue and development partners coordination for nutrition & food security policies development, food security governance and designing, implementing, monitoring, evaluating and financing of nutrition-sensitive agriculture and nutrition-sensitive water and sanitation interventions.

01/2006 – 03/2011

### Chief Technical Advisor

UN FAO West Bank and Gaza Strip Office, East Jerusalem, oPt

- Managed the FAO operation and a team of 40 international and national staff; devised operation and FAO programme strategies, resource mobilisation and donor relations.
- Represented FAO in UN inter-agency Teams as well as in UN, Palestinian National Authority and donor fora dealing with food security & nutrition policies, strategies and programmes/projects.
- Acting/Deputy Senior Emergency and Rehabilitation Coordinator (Head of Agency).
- As Chief Technical Advisor in the FIVIMS project, performed the following tasks and activities:
  - Designed, managed the implementation, monitored and evaluated the 'Food Insecurity and





- Vulnerability Information and Mapping Systems (FIVIMS)' project with the core objective to develop the capacities of Palestinian Government Authorities (Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health and Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics) to operate an information system to support agriculture, nutrition and food security policy development.
- Designed, developed and institutionalized a multi-stakeholder food security information system in West Bank and Gaza Strip (WBGS) aligned with the global initiative FIVIMS. Developed analytical models appropriate to WBGS, encompassing poverty/social welfare, food acquisition/consumption/ utilization, food markets and traders' vulnerability.
  - Advised international and national agencies on food security and vulnerability assessments, including: (i) promotion of inter-agency partnerships and coordination (e.g., Inter-agency Working Group, Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnerability Analyses, Early Recovery Planning); and, (ii) development of appropriate platforms for user/provider policy dialogue.
  - Developed national Government counterparts' capacity in the establishment of a national food security system, covering nutrition & food security policy research/analysis/formulation, needs assessment/monitoring and response planning/implementation functions.
  - Managed a food security monitoring project funded by the EU (2006-2008) which evolved into a multi-donor programme Directed the FAO Food Security Team, managed related projects and led and supervised the preparation/dissemination of technical reports/briefs to stakeholders and policy makers.
  - Provided agriculture and food security policy advice to develop the FAO WBGS field programme, including: institutional support and technical advice to the Palestinian National Authority (PNA) Ministry of Agriculture and other institutions in relation to the formulation and implementation of the Palestinian Reform and Development Plan (PRDP) and related agriculture, nutrition and food security policy and strategies.
  - Led participatory formulation of the Palestine agricultural development strategy (2007-2009), including several stakeholder workshops at national and local government levels UN Inter-agency joint programming vis-à-vis the PRDP and donors' aid policy; led the UN Livelihood/Employment/ Food Security Strategy Area Group (an inter-UN agencies medium-term coordination mechanism); led agriculture and food security inter-agency coordination and policy analysis mechanisms, including the PNA/UN Water Scarcity Task Force; led gender mainstreaming in the FAO WBGS Programme and in the Agriculture Sector Strategy action planning; led formulation and implementation of Millennium Development Goals UN joint programmes; project identification, formulation and backstopping; resource mobilization, including donor relations and fund raising.
  - Worked on formulation, implementation and monitoring of rural livelihood, food security and nutrition-sensitive agriculture programmes within the scope of FAO Country Programme with a budget of EUR 16 million. Integrated the nutrition dimension in the information system and the nutrition focus in the FAO WBGS Country Programme. Coordinated FAO internal evaluation mission which made large use of the data produced by the FIVIMS Project to gauge effectiveness of the FAO Country Programme.
  - Provided food security intelligence to development partners (donors, UN partners) and Government for food security policy dialogue. Led and supported evidence-based food security policy development through providing accurate and timely information on the incidence, nature and causes of food insecurity and vulnerability. Directly contributed to food security policy development and formulation both within FAO, as well as in inter-stakeholder platforms including UN Country Team (UNCT), Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), Food Security & Livelihood (FSL) Cluster, Government & DP forums. The policy spectrum covered the development/resilience/humanitarian response continuum and encompassed agriculture, food and nutrition assistance, and social protection. In particular: a) Coordinated 5 Humanitarian Appeals (2007-2011): the FSL component is approximately 30% of the massive humanitarian response budget in WBGS (e.g. USD1.1 billion in 2010). Led the FSL Cluster policy development developed every year in October and reviewed in May. Led the food security information system which contributed the substantive evidence to shape scope, priorities, geographic targets, and beneficiary profiles. Led information/policy interface in the humanitarian response policy development process and forum; b) Coordinated for FAO the support to the Government for the formulation of the Palestine agricultural development strategy (2007-09) through a participatory process involving national and local authorities; c) Coordinated the formulation and implementation of National Nutrition Strategy, a project led by the Government with UNICEF and donor support; d) A to Z micro-nutrient initiative: as member of the national secretariat, coordinated the A to Z advocacy/mobilization in 2007-09.
  - Co-chaired Food & Nutrition Security Information Network - a FAO, FEWS NET, UNICEF, WFP partnership coordinating joint planning, operations and communication in the field of nutrition, food security and emergency response, including IPC as the flagship information product. Co-chaired the Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster designing, monitoring and evaluating nutrition-sensitive interventions in the fields of sustainable agriculture, rural infrastructure and livelihoods, water and sanitation; including the project vetting committee for the Common Humanitarian Fund (CHF)





allocation – an OCHA's Country Based Pooled Fund for financing nutrition-sensitive interventions. Chaired the Livelihood recovery Cluster in Palestine, a policy coordination forum including DPs, UN, NGOs. Designed, managed and implemented regular (2-3 per year) large scale (sample of 2,400-3,000 households) food security households surveys, which included regular (monthly, seasonal) monitoring of key indicators, such as crop production, livestock condition, markets, rainfall; annual country-wide Crop & Food Security Assessment Mission and preparing a study estimating nutritional intake from household socio-economic survey data (2008-10).

#### 09/2002 – 12/2005 Transition Policy Officer (P-4)

UN FAO Head Office, Rome, Italy

- Provided policy advice to develop the FAO humanitarian and transition assistance policy, including support to establishment of inter-agency partnerships development with WFP and UNHCR; and establishment of the Global Early Recovery Cluster.
- Performed analyses of vulnerability to food and livelihood insecurity and related medium-term planning in complex and protracted emergencies, e.g. southern Africa (food security), Ethiopia ('New Coalition for Food Security').
- Coordinated the identification, formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the EU funded project 'Formulation of the Sudan Productive Capacity Recovery Programme (SPCRP)' (2014-2015), a large-scale investment programme to enhance rural livelihoods in the post-conflict era and build the Ministry of Agriculture capacity at national and sub-national levels.
- Led the mobilization and hands-on capacity development of the (then shadow) government of South Sudan for the full process of capacity needs & gap assessment, identification and formulation of the SPCR.
- Co-managed an EU-funded seed project supporting the FAO identification and formulation of the SPCR project with a total budget of EUR 100 million in Sudan and South Sudan.

#### 11/2001 – 07/2002 Food Security Unit Coordinator

United Nations' World Food Programme (WFP), Kabul, Afghanistan

- Managed activities and directed of the Afghanistan Food Security Unit consisting of 6 international and 28 national staff.
- Coordinated implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the WFP Country Programme nutrition-sensitive interventions. Provided methodological supervision: development and implementation of Rapid Emergency Food Needs Assessment (REFNA). Led the establishment of a nutrition/food security surveillance system; annual joint FAO/WFP Crop and Food Supply Assessment; networking and partnership development to strengthen interaction with UN agencies, NGOs and the government.
- Represented WFP in the food security area in inter-agency policy dialogue fora and working groups.
- Led formulation, implementation and monitoring of food security and nutrition-sensitive agriculture interventions.
- Provided highly valued nutrition & food security intelligence and information to donors, UN partners and Government to support the nutrition and food security policy formulation process.
- Co-chaired the Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster facilitating policy dialogue among Government stakeholders, donors and UN partners.
- Coordinated large scale food & nutrition security research, which included methodology adaptation and rollout of emergency food security needs assessments, regular (monthly, seasonal) monitoring of nutrition-sensitive interventions through key indicators such as crop production, livestock condition, markets, rainfall; annual country-wide Crop & Food Security Assessment Mission. Prepared a research study on household economy and livelihood zoning.

#### 10/2001 – 11/2001 Evaluation Team Member, Agro-economist

MAE-DGCS (Italian MFA aid agency), mission to Ethiopia

The integrated Rural Development Project in Arsi-Bale included transfer of knowledge (technical assistance, agriculture extension services), support to multi-purpose cooperatives, community micro-projects, private agriculture input supply & seed production. Performed the evaluation of this large-scale multi-sector project focused on implementation of nutrition-sensitive and rural livelihoods interventions. Conducted a thorough study of the impact of the Project Phase 1 and defined the key features of the Phase 2.

#### 08/2000 – 08/2001 Regional Vulnerability Analysis & Mapping (VAM) Officer

UN WFP South Africa Regional Cluster, Maputo, Mozambique





- Led the networking with international and regional partners for the developments of food security information systems.
- Coordinated the network of the WFP National Teams in the 6 countries under the regional cluster.
- Strengthened WFP food security and vulnerability analysis capacity to identify target communities, emergency and recovery needs; provided technical support to contingency planning exercises; provided technical backstopping for vulnerability analysis, baseline and current food security assessments; improved integration of vulnerability/food security analysis into food aid programming.
- Supported the design, management and implementation of large-scale food & nutrition security and sustainable agriculture surveys and researches by undertaking annual country-wide Crop & Food Security Assessment Mission (Swaziland, Zimbabwe) and preparing a research study on household economy and livelihood zoning in southern Mozambique, which included analysis of gender data.

06/1997 – 07/2000

### Coordinator, Food Security & Nutrition Assessment Unit (FSNAU)

United Nations' World Food Programme (WFP), Somalia

- Led and coordinated the implementation and monitoring of the EU funded Food Security and Nutrition Assessment project with the objective of developing the capacity of local government stakeholders and development partners to operate an integrated food and nutrition information system guiding important policy and programming decisions.
- Led and directed activities of the FSNAU team, composed of: 21 Somali Field Monitors; 4 International Experts (Nutrition, Agriculture, Household Food Economy, Information Management); 4-5 Somali Professionals (Livestock, Field Team Coordination and Training, Household Food Economy); 3 General Service staff, and various short-term Consultants.
- Provided overall personnel, administrative and financial management, including the core budget and the additional funding from development partners. Promoted and coordinated partnerships, involving FEWS (Rainfall, Vegetation, Crop production, Market Prices), FAO (Agro-meteorology, Agricultural Statistics, Databases), SCF-UK (Household Food Economy), UNICEF and ACF-Paris (Nutritional Surveillance), UNDP/OCHA (multi-agency assessments), UNDOCS (GIS and mapping).
- Strengthened food security analysis capacity within Somalia and among international partners, including 3-4 training courses per year for FSNAU Unit and partners' field staff. Established integrated food security data bases (household food economy, crop statistics, livestock, agro-meteorology, markets, trade, nutrition, population movements, chronic and acute vulnerability, food needs, food aid distribution). Improved integration of food security information into food and non-food aid programming. Led the activities for integrating nutrition in the information system and led specific partnerships with UNICEF and ACF.
- Designed, directed and managed timely issuance of reports relevant to food security in Somalia, including quarterly food needs assessment, GIS products, monthly and ad-hoc reporting, presentations. Represented FSNAU in the Somalia Aid Coordination Body (SACB) Committees and Working Groups.
- Advised UN, NGOs and donor agencies on food security related issues, particularly net food gap, emergency food needs and response. Coordinated formulation, implementation and monitoring of food security and nutrition-sensitive agriculture interventions. Provided nutrition and food security intelligence and information to development partners (donors, UN partners) and Government to support the design, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and financing decisions for nutrition-sensitive interventions in the fields of sustainable agriculture, rural development, water and sanitation, food security and food emergency response.
- Provided support for improving evidence-based nutrition & food security policy development – i.e. accurate and timely information on the incidence, nature and causes of undernutrition and food insecurity and vulnerability. Contributed to nutrition & food security policy development and formulation both within WFP, as well as in inter-stakeholder platforms including UN Country Team (UNCT), Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), Food Security & Livelihood (FSL) Cluster, Somalia Aid Coordination Forum and other DP forums.
- The policy spectrum covered the development/resilience/ humanitarian response continuum and encompassed agriculture, food and nutrition assistance, and social protection. In particular, supported: a) 3 Humanitarian Appeals (1997-2000): Contributed to FSL Cluster policy development developed every year in October and reviewed in May. Led the food security information system which contributed the substantive evidence to shape scope, priorities, geographic targets, and beneficiary profiles for food security and food emergency response interventions. As Co-chair of the Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster, facilitated policy dialogues in the field of nutrition & food security, sustainable agriculture, climate change and environment, rural development, etc. in coordination with development partners.
- Coordinated large scale food & nutrition security research, which included methodology adaptation and roll-out of emergency food security needs assessments, regular (monthly, seasonal) monitoring of nutrition-sensitive interventions through key indicators such as crop production, livestock condition,



markets, rainfall; annual country-wide Crop & Food Security Assessment Mission. Prepared a gender-sensitive research study on household economy and livelihood zoning.

09/1996 – 05/1997

### Programme Analyst

Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO), Italy/FAO Cooperation Programme, Rome, Italy

- Liaised with the Donor with regard to overall UN FAO/ Ministry of Foreign Affairs Cooperative Programme management (39 on-going and 12 pipeline projects), financial programming, and project monitoring and evaluation; analysis of financial and operational information; liaison with Technical and Operational Divisions.

08/1991 – 08/1995

### Rural Development Advisor

MAE-DGCS, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

- Co-ordination of Italian funded rural development projects and programme components; with a budget totaling 30 billion Italian Lira, including the Rural Development Project in Arsi-Bale and the Rehabilitation Programme in Tigray and Wollo.
- Support/advice to the Embassy of Italy in aid-related matters and analysis of Ethiopian Government's and donors' policies.
- Liaison with Ethiopian authorities for project formulation and implementation.
- Participation in project identification, formulation, monitoring and management, in the framework of the Ethio-Italian Rehabilitation Programme.
- Representation of the Italian Cooperation in various meetings and working groups dealing with: food security, emergency relief, agricultural policy, refugees and displaced.

04/1990 – 11/1990

### Food Security Officer

Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO), Rome, Italy with missions to Chad

- Data collection and analysis; models and simulation; technical backstopping and advice to counterparts.
- Member in the team entrusted with the assistance to the government for the preparation of a comprehensive National Food Security Plan, according to the FAO strategy and utilizing an Objective-Oriented Planning methodology.

07/1987 – 03/1990

### Agro-economist Consultant

Associate to Studio "Agronomi Associati", Perugia, Italy

- Technical coordinator of the "Programme d'études sur les filières céréalières", jointly implemented by CILSS (Permanent Inter-state Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel) and Istituto Italo-Africano, with the involvement of Sahelian and Italian university research teams. The Programme was articulated in three studies:
  - Consumption patterns in urban centres (Niamey, Niger);
  - Production and marketing strategies of rural households in Burkina Faso;
  - Grain trade in Senegal.
- Member of the tripartite mission for the evaluation of the FAO-CILSS project Pré-CRÉSAI (Cellule Régionale de Sécurité Alimentaire au Sahel).
- Member of the teams entrusted by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs' aid agency (DGCS) with the evaluation of the large-scale Rural Development Project in Burkina Faso and Casamance (Senegal).
- Monitoring of rural development projects in Cape Verde, Niger and Senegal implemented by the Italian NGO COSPE.

06/1985 – 06/1987

### Technical Assistance Officer

MAE-DGCS, seconded to the "Direction Etudes et Planification" of CILSS, based in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, with missions in Sahelian countries.

- Strengthening the regional role of CILSS in analysis of policies relating to food security and desertification control, including the participation in the preparation and follow-up of the Colloque Régional sur les Politiques Céréalières au Sahel (Cape Verde, 1986).
- Formulation and supervision of socio-economic studies at community, national and regional scale.
- Support to member states' institutions.

05/1982 – 05/1985

### Agro-economist Consultant

Associate to Studio "Agronomi Associati", Perugia, Italy





- Consultancies in Italy and African countries (Libya, Tunisia, Mauritania and Cameroon) for Italian firms: Agricultural and rural development project appraisals; Agro-economic surveys.
- Participation in consultancies in Italy for local administrations and private firms: Studies and surveys on: environmental protection, land-use planning and technological innovation; Farm estate valuations.

05/1977 – 04/1982

### Chairman of a Cooperative of Youth Farmers

Cooperativa Florovivaistica Umbra, Perugia, Italy

- Relations with local authorities and banks.
- Economic and financial management.
- Participation in farming and marketing management.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

09/1995 – 09/1996

### MA in Rural Development

University of Sussex (UK)

- Subject matters: Topics in Practical Development, Sustainable Development, Development & Underdevelopment Theories, Aid & Projects, State & Peasants, Development Economics; Dissertation: Processes of socioeconomic differentiation in rural Sub-Saharan Africa relating to poverty & food security.

09/1972 – 11/1977

### Degree in Agricultural Science

University of Perugia, Italy

- Main subjects: Chemistry, Physics, Biology (advanced), Crop & Livestock Production, Agric. Economics & Policies, Rural Engineering.

09/1967 – 07/1972

### Secondary School, Classical Studies

Liceo Classico A. Mariotti, Perugia, Italy

## PERSONAL SKILLS

### Mother tongue

Italian

### Other Languages

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
FAO LPE - Language Proficiency Examination 18-NOV-2004					
French	C2	C2	B2	B2	B2

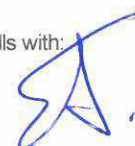
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### Communication Skills

- I am used to developing targeted messaging and tailoring information products (e.g. briefs, presentations, reports) to address the needs of different clients/audiences, including public media and decision-makers in UN, donor and government agencies. As a policy analyst and senior official with UN agencies, I developed capabilities in the area of communicating technical information to policy makers and public media.
- In several instances, I was responsible for chairing or co-chairing technical and inter-stakeholder coordination forums, enriching my competencies in communicating with different constituencies, mediating across different interests and asymmetric agendas.
- As a result of several years as project manager and technical officer, my written reporting is clear, concise and effective in communicating all necessary information.

### Organisational / managerial skills

As I coordinated and managed several large-scale projects, I developed significant skills with:





- Relations with major donors - e.g. EU, UK DFID - from fund raising to reporting.
- Compliance policies, rules and regulations in the areas of administration, finance, procurement of good and services.
- Result-oriented project cycle management, including strategic planning and implementation monitoring and evaluation.
- Multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary team coordination, including in hardship duty stations and situations of high staff turn-over and hostile environments.
- Often serving in volatile security contexts, I am used to risk monitoring and management, adaptive management and contingency planning, rapid decision making, and to timely inform senior managers of appropriate mitigation measures.

#### Job-related skills

- As senior officer with WFP and FAO at P-4, P-5 levels over 17 years, I regularly advised both Management and the Programme Unit about strategic management decisions throughout the programme cycle, based on facts and figures produced by dedicated units and partnerships.
- I have represented UN agencies, in many inter-agency platforms and fora. Moreover, I have led inter-sectoral needs assessment exercises in complex emergencies and natural disasters, as well as studies contributing to resilience policy/programming.
- In many instances I have led or co-led partnerships to coordinate surveys/assessments, build consensus and disseminate results, advocate with decision makers and support joint programming. The participation in inter-stakeholder consultations has sharpened my skills in negotiating shared objectives, dealing with asymmetric relationships and building consensus on results and policies.
- have come across the challenge of linking needs-based analyses with violent conflict, protection of civilians and human rights. I have often explored conceptual/analytical frameworks with academics and specialists, with a view to informing my applied/practical analysis, policy and programme management activities.

#### Digital skills

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Basic user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Basic user

Good command over MS Office and email software.

Driving license B

Personal data I authorize the use of my personal data according to the Italian law - Decreto Legislativo 30 giugno 2003, n. 196 "Codice in materia di protezione dei dati personali".

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