



CURRICULUM VITAE

Simon Brook

NATIONALITY British

LANGUAGES English: Mother tongue

COUNTRY EXPERIENCE Indonesia, Pakistan, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Vietnam, Mozambique, Myanmar, Brazil, Tanzania

EXPERTISE

- Senior international development professional with over 22 years of experience across Africa, south and south-east Asia, eastern Europe and the Caribbean, including long term assignments based in Indonesia (2005-06; 2013-15) and the Philippines (1998-2001).
- Over 45 consultancy assignments across the programme/policy cycle, focused on governance, citizen engagement, gender and social inclusion.
- Wide experience in the use of institutional, social, gender and political economy analysis to inform programme and policy design, delivery, adaptation, monitoring and evaluation.
- Successfully led and managed a wide range of assignments in diverse contexts and sectors, including multi-country projects with multi-disciplinary and multi-national teams.
- Committed to inclusive and participatory approaches, with a focus on learning and adaptation to improve processes and impact.
- Broad experience of engaging with diverse stakeholders at community level, within local government and within central government and ministries.

QUALIFICATIONS

2001–2002 MSc. (Econ) Social Development Planning & Management [Distinction], Centre for Development Studies, University of Wales, Swansea
Thesis: Civil Society Strengthening and the Role of NGOs – with examples from the Philippines. [Distinction]

1987–1991 HND Agriculture (Production and Management), Sparsholt College, Hampshire

EMPLOYMENT

2020 – Date	Associate, The Policy Practice
2019 - Date	Asoka Resources UK , Director and Principal Consultant
2006 – 2019	Oxford Policy Management, UK , Principal Consultant (2013-2019)
2005-2006	Oxfam GB, Aceh, Indonesia , Monitoring and Evaluation Coordinator
2002-2005	Freelance consultant
1998-2001	Balay Mindanaw Foundation, Inc, (BMFI), Phillipines , Agriculturalist and community development worker

SELECTED CONSULTANCY ASSIGNMENTS

2020 – 2021 Facilitated Political Economy Analysis (PEA), Horn of Africa (SDC)

Team Leader. Facilitating a participatory process of Swiss Development Cooperation (SDC) teams undertaking PEA of governance, food security, health, and migration & protection sectors to inform the future Swiss Cooperation Programme, 2022-2025 for the Horn of Africa (Somalia, Somaliland, Djibouti and the Somali regions of Kenya and Ethiopia).

- 2019 – 2021 Social Inclusion Strategy Support, Nigeria (DFID)**
Principal consultant. Supporting DFID Nigeria to develop a “Leave No-one Behind” (LNB) portfolio assessment methodology and approach, and to develop its LNB strategy. This will inform DFID’s overall approach to assessing how country portfolios address inclusion.
- 2020 Review of the Kokoda Initiative Partnership (KIP), Papua New Guinea (DFAT)**
Team Leader. Led a review of the KIP, a complex programme which is politically sensitive in both PNG and Australia, to provide strategic recommendations for the design of the next phase in 2022.
- 2020 UK Partnering for Accelerated Climate Transitions (PACT) Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (UK Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy)**
Principal consultant. Providing analytical and editorial support and report inputs for the first PACT learning reports produced under the MEL workstream.
- 2020 GESI support to the Brazil Energy Programme (BEP), Brazil (FCO)**
Principal consultant. Providing desk-based support and report inputs on gender, social inclusion and social assessment to BEP, a large UK Prosperity Fund programme that supports Brazil’s low carbon transition to secure, affordable and clean energy.
- 2019 Annual Review of Accountability in Tanzania (Phase 2) programme, (DFID)**
Team Leader. Led the Annual Review of the ACT programme Phase 2, focusing on assessing programme performance in achieving its purpose and output level targets as set out in the project documents and logframe.
- 2019 Facility for Oil Sector Transparency and Reform (FOSTER), Nigeria (DFID)**
Principal consultant. Working with a conflict specialist to jointly develop a framework and approach for the FOSTER programme to better integrate understanding and monitoring of gender equality, social inclusion and conflict sensitivity.
- 2018 – 2019 Action Planning for Social inclusion in Disaster Risk Management (World Bank)**
Team Leader. Led a five-country (Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka) project to assess and recommend practical entry points and action plans for improving social inclusion in the design and implementation of specific disaster risk management projects.
- 2017 – 2019 Enhancing Diagnostics Programme (DFID)**
Lead consultant on the ‘embedding inclusion in diagnostics’ workstream, within the Enhancing Diagnostics programme. Led on assessing practice within and outside DFID and developing a framework for inclusion analysis within future DFID diagnostic work on inclusive growth.
- 2014 – 2018 Multi-stakeholder Forestry Programme (MFP3), Indonesia (DFID)**
Programme Director accountable for overall programme delivery and closure (2017-2018), including addressing a number of issues within the programme management and managing client and stakeholder relations around these issues.
- 2013 – 2017 Pakistan Sub-national Governance Programme (DFID)**
Principal consultant. Supported the mainstreaming of social development issues within the programme, which aimed to improve provincial government public finance management so that services better meet the needs of all poor people in Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, including women, girls and other groups usually excluded from service provision and decision-making.
- 2013 – 2017 Evaluation of Mozambique Citizen Engagement Programme (CEP) (DFID)**
Principal consultant / Evaluation manager. Developed an M&E framework for use by both the programme team and the independent evaluation. Managed the independent evaluation team of evaluation and empowerment, voice and accountability specialists.
- 2012 – 2016 Vietnam Empowerment and Accountability Programme (DFID)**

Principal consultant / Evaluation manager. Provided design inputs for this programme which supported broad-based coalitions to work on policy influencing at different levels. Led a team of consultants to conduct political economy analyses at both a national level and on specific sectors. Managed the design and implementation of a MEL framework and approach.

2014 Topic Guide on Voice, Empowerment and Accountability (DFID)

Provided guidance on content and format, and peer review of outputs, in the production of a topic guide on voice, empowerment and accountability for DFID by the Governance and Social Development Resource Centre.

2014 Monitoring and evaluation of DFID's Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Programmes (DFID)

Developed an approach for monitoring and evaluating DFID's policy work on VAWG within a wider study on how to better monitor and evaluate the work DFID undertakes in this area (e.g. advocacy, lobbying, negotiation, formal / informal meetings, speeches, media work, TA).

2013 – 2014 Support for Political Economy Analysis (PEA) in Programming, Myanmar (Oxfam)

Developed a PEA framework for use by Oxfam country teams internationally. Trained and supported Oxfam's Myanmar country team to use and integrate this into programming work. Subsequently (2014) managed an OPM Associate undertaking a PEA of governance in conflict affected Rakhine state to inform Oxfam's programme work.

2012 – 2014 Studies on the social impact of the BLT cash transfer programme and the RASKIN rice subsidy programme, Indonesia (AusAID / GoI)

Led the design, analysis and reporting of two research studies on the social impacts (including on gender, social inclusion, social tensions and conflict) of the BLT cash transfer programme and changes to the RASKIN rice subsidy programme. Reports used to inform policy development through the TNP2K unit under the Vice-President's Office.

2011 – 2014 Qualitative research and analysis of the social and economic impacts of cash transfer programmes in sub-Saharan Africa (FAO)

Project manager. Multi-country research (Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Zimbabwe) evaluating the impacts of cash transfers on social networks and the local economy.

2008 – Political Economy of Sanitation, Indonesia (World Bank)

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2014**

Analysed the political economy of sanitation of selected WSP and World Bank projects in Indonesia, as part of a four-country study (plus Senegal, India, Brazil). Generated lessons and produced recommendations on how best to enhance support for evidence-based decisions in sanitation investment. Commissioned in 2014 to undertake follow-up analysis in Indonesia.

2013 Political economy analysis and "theory of change" for monitoring and evaluation, Vietnam (UNDP)

Facilitated a week-long training on PEA, theory of change and M&E of policy influencing work for UN agency staff and staff of other donor agencies.

2011 – 2012 Poverty and Social Impact Analysis (PSIA) of Mining Sector Policy, Ghana (World Bank)

Managed a small team of national and international consultants undertaking a PSIA of mining sector policy reforms in Ghana, with a particular focus on artisanal and small-scale miners.