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# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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NATIONALITY Timor-Leste

# EXPERTISE

- Expert in the fields of good-governance, anti-corruption and human rights.
- Successful leader in government and civil society sectors, displaying vision, integrity and excellent judgment.
- Experienced facilitator, negotiator and strategic planner, with proven ability to deliver results in complex political and social environments.
- Elected by Timor-Leste's National Parliament as the first Commissioner of the country's Anti Corruption Commission (2010-14). As Commissioner, led a staff of 50 and achieved excellent results in four-year term.
- Consulted for national and international NGOs, including the UN in Timor-Leste. Law and sociology lecturer in Timor-Leste from 2002 to 2007; and Australian National University (2009).
- Lawyers for human rights NGOs in Indonesia, including the Institute for Police Research and Advocacy (ELSAM) in Jakarta.
- After Timor-Leste's independence, elected as a member of Timor-Leste's Constituent Assembly. Played a key role in drafting Timor-Leste's first constitution; and chaired the Systematization and Harmonization Committee in the Constituent Assembly.
- Published chapters in books and academic journals (see the list of publications).

# QUALIFICATIONS

**April 2014 - Now Present, PhD candidate (part-time)**, ANU, examining intersection between international human rights law, governance and regulatory theory.

2002–May 2003 - Master of Law, New York University (NYU) School of Law

**1996 - 1998** Bachelor of Law, Satya Wacana Christian University, Central Java, Indonesia

# EMPLOYMENT

March 2021 - Now - Freelance consultant.

**November 2020-March - 2021** – **Consultant to the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) of Timor-Leste**. Wrote the Country Report for Self-Assessment of the implementation of The *United Nations Convention against Corruption* UNCAC in Timor-Leste.

**February 2020 – Consultant to UNDP and the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) of Timor-Leste.** Facilitated the two-day workshop, 'Preventing and Combating Corruption in Timor-Leste' which took place in Dili. Also wrote the conference report and submitted to the ACC. (NB additional consulting work scheduled with UNDP/ACC could not proceed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.)

# September – December 2019, Independent reviewer for M & E House, Dili

Conducted mid-term review of Governance for Development Project/GfD of DFAT in Timor-Leste. I was one of a team of four experts from London-based firm, The Policy Practice. All deliverables met to the highest standard and within deadline.

#### 2015 – present, Freelance Consultant and Tetun language tutor

Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT). This involved teach Tetun to DFAT and Defense staffs before their posting to the Australian Embassy in Dili, Timor-Leste.

#### November 2015 – present, Trainer, CIT

Delivering training to the Australian Federal Police in Canberra, Australia, before their deployment to postconflict countries.

#### August 2014, Consultant, UNDP-Pacific, Fiji Office

Desk-review of the draft organic law for future PNG's Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC).

#### February 2010 – March 2014, Inaugural Commissioner of the Anti-Corruption Commission of Timor-

**Leste.** As Commissioner, led a staff of 50 and achieved excellent results in four-year term. Key achievements include establishing viable institution from the ground up, enabling Commission to function as a credible watchdog. Also led nation-wide community education on anti-corruption.

January – June 2009, part-time lecturer, Faculty of Asian Studies, ANU Canberra.

August 11-15, 2008, Consultant to The Asia Foundation (TAF), Timor-Leste. Facilitating training on Conflict Resolution to the TAF's local partners in Timor-Leste.

**April 2005 Consultant to the Human Rights Unit, UNMISET.** Prepared materials and trained candidate judges, prosecutors, and public defenders on international human rights law.

Jan– May 2004 Consultant to the Human Rights Unit, UNMISET. Trained the Timor-Leste National Parliament on international human rights law; developed the curriculum on international human rights law for the National University of Timor-Leste.

June 2005, Consultant to the Catholic Relief Service (CRS). Assessed CRS' advocacy program.

# Sept 01 – March 02, Member of East Timor Constituent Assembly and chief of the Fretilin Party bench.

Played a key role in drafting East Timor's first Constitution, which was adopted on March 22, 2002. Chaired the Assembly's Systematization and Harmonization Committee.

Jan 01– Dec 01, Coordinator and founder of Ukun Rasik An Legal Aid Foundation, Dili, East Timor. Established this new legal aid foundation, including fundraising, and recruiting, training and supervising a team of 7 young lawyers.

# **1996-October 1999, Lawyer and advocacy coordinator for the Institute for Policy Research and Advocacy** (ELSAM) in Jakarta, Indonesia. Defended cases on labour, indigenous and political rights through out Indonesia, especially in the province of Jakarta, Kalimantan, West Papua and East Timor.

# SELECTED REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 'Foreword', in Annemarie D., Timor-Leste's Bill of Rights: A Preliminary History (Canberra, ANU E-Press, 2015).
- 'A Social Movement as Antidote to Corruption', in Sue Ingram et.al. (eds.) A New Era for East Timor (Canberra, ANU E Press, 2015).
- Combating Corruption: Avoiding Institutional Ritualism' in Michael Leach and Damien Kingsbury (eds.), *The Politics of Timor-Leste: Democratic Consolidation after Intervention* (Ithaca, Cornell University Press, 2013).
- 'The Parallels and the Paradox of Timor-Leste and Western Sahara', in Miller, M.A., ed. Autonomy and Armed Separatism in South and Southeast Asia (Singapore, ISEAS, 2012).

- Networked Governance of Freedom and Tyranny: Peace In Timor-Leste (Co-author with John Braithwaite and Hilary Charlesworth, ANU E-Press, 2012).
- 'Reparation for Masyarakat Adat in Indonesia: A Somber Tale', in Federico Lenzerini (Ed), Reparations for Indigenous Peoples: International and Comparative Perspectives (Oxford/UK, Oxford University Press, 2008).
- 'The State of Human Rights in Independent Timor-Leste', Kanto Gakuin Law Review, Yokohama, Vol. 17 No. 2 (2007.12).
- 'The Impact of Corporate Strategy on Community Dynamics: A Case Study on The Freeport Mining Company in West Papua, Indonesia' published in the International Journal on Minority and Group Rights, 1 February 2004, Volume 11, Issue 1-2, The Netherlands.
- 'For an Interim Constituion', Lao Hamutuk Bulletin, 2001.
- Perjuangan Amungme: Antara Freeport dan militer (Amungme Struggle: Between Freeport and the Military), a book written by Amiruddin and Aderito de Jesus Soares (ELSAM, Jakarta, 2003).
- Tahun Kekerasan (The Year of Violence) a human rights report and analysis, co-authored and published by the Indonesian Legal Aid Foundation (YLBHI), 1996.

# **GUEST LECTURES / INVITED TALKS**

- Speaker at the conference on 'Timor-Leste: Politics, Policies and Prospect after 20 Years of Referendum', April 30, 2019, ANU Canberra.
- Speaker at the conference on 'Implication of Cultural For Constitution Building', Melbourne University Law School and IDEA, Colombo, Sri Lanka, October 15-16, 2018.
- Speaker at the conference on 'Democracy Updates from Southeast Asia', Sydney University, 29 July 2016.
- Guest Lecture on 'oil and governance in post-conflict society', Crawford School, ANU, July, 2015
- Speaker at the conference on 'Interim Constitution and Post-Conflict Society', organised by Edinburgh University Law School and IDEA, Edinburgh, Scotland, December 2014.
- Guest Lecture on anti-corruption: master program at the Law School, Sydney University, August 9, 2014.
- Speaker at the 'C20 Summit', Melbourne Law School, June 20-21, 2014.
- From 2010 January 2014 I represented Timor-Leste government in various international anticorruption forums such as UNODC, ADB/OECD and the World Bank meetings and others.
- And many others.