

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Bio

Mr. Jackson Kago, a Kenyan national, working as a chairman and lecturer in the department of Spatial Planning and Urban Management, School of Architecture and Built Environment Kenyatta University. He is an urban research and has researched widely including with the Regional & Metropolitan Planning Unit (RMPU), Urban Planning and Design Branch, UN-Habitat, working on the thematic areas of urban-rural linkages, systems of cities, metropolitan and regional planning. He holds two masters degrees: one in Architecture from the University of Rome 'Sapienza' -Italy, and another one in Urban & Regional Planning from the University of Nairobi, Kenya where he also graduated with a Bachelor of Architecture. Jackson has also worked with the Italian Embassy Development Cooperation (2008-2013) in the Kenya-Italy Debt for Development Programme as a Technical Assistant supporting the Korogocho Slum Upgrading Programme based at the Ministry of Local Government. He has also worked for UN-Habitat in the past between 2004-2007 as a consultant for the Safer Cities Programme, UN-Habitat after successfully completing his internship.

Career Objective

To utilize my educational background, leadership skills, experience and intellectual strengths in an environment where initiative, innovation, accountability, transparency and diligence are most valid.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS, COMPUTER SKILLS WORK EXPERIENCE, LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND ACHIEVEMENTS.

Academic qualifications

Year	Level	Institution	Grade attained
February 2013 – November 2013	Post - Graduate Degree	University of Rome 'Sapienza'	Master in Architecture for Health Pass mark: 110/110
2006 - 2009	Post- graduate Degree	University of Nairobi, School of Built Environment (Scholarship)	Master of Arts in Planning " <i>The Spatial Implications of Ethnic Settlement Patterns In Korogocho, Nairobi.</i> "
1999-2005	Undergraduate Degree	University of Nairobi, School of Built Environment	Second Upper Class Honours in Bachelor of Architecture. Thesis - Designing for Healing: <i>Rehabilitating Environments for Drug Addicts</i> Design Project-University of Nairobi Drug Rehabilitation Centre

Professional Experience

Dates	May 2015 – To date
Occupation or position held	Chairman and Lecturer, Department of Spatial Planning and Urban Management, Kenyatta University
Name and address of employer	P.O Box: 43844-00100 Nairobi
Type of business or sector	Academic and Research.
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of the curriculum and setting up the department • Give courses and lectures, demonstrations and conduct tutorials and practical classes • Undertake research and advancement of knowledge • Coordinate and ensure efficient running of the department
Dates	Jan 2014 – May 2014
Occupation or position held	Part-time Lecturer
Name and address of employer	University of Nairobi
Type of business or sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecturing and Research
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecturing on Principles and Techniques of Urban Planning
Dates	September 2014 – February 2015
Occupation or position held	Part-time Lecturer
Name and address of employer	Technical University of Kenya
Type of business or sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecturing and Research
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecturing on Architectural Design

Dates	November 20 2014 – May 19 2015
Occupation or position held	Regional & Metropolitan Officer, UN Habitat
Name and address of employer	Regional & Metropolitan Planning Unit, UN-Habitat, P.O. Box 30030 Nairobi 00100, Kenya
Type of business or sector	International Development.
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a paper on "The Role of Small and Intermediate Towns in Enhancing Urban-Rural Linkages for Sustainable Urbanization." • Development of research papers: Part of drafting team for the Executive Director paper on the special theme of the 25th Session of the Governing Council(GC 25) and the draft resolution on the special theme of GC 25; • Development of a dialogue script/programme for the dialogue on the special theme of the GC 25; • Development of a paper for the 2015 World Bank Conference on land tenure entitled "Urban-rural linkages and the role of land tenure;' • Development of a paper for the Environmental and Urbanization, Asia Journal on "Role of Urban-Rural Linkages in Promoting Sustainable Urbanization;" • Organizing side events for the 25th Session of the Governing Council and the PrepCom 2 entitled: "The Role of Urban-Rural Linkages in Habitat 3 and the Post 2015 Agenda"; 'Global Partnership on Promoting Urban-Rural Linkages.' among other events; • Developing, reviewing project documents and concept notes related to regional and metropolitan planning; • Part of the UN Task Force of developing an Issue Paper on "Urban-Rural Linkages" for Habitat III; • Development, coordination and review of a journal issues Issue on Urban-Rural Linkages in the "Regional Development Dialogue" Journal by UNCRD; • Development of a database of actors and experts in regional and metropolitan planning.
Dates	March 2008 – March 2013 (5 years).
	Programme Officer
Name and address of employer	Italian Embassy Development Cooperation, P.O. Box 30107 – 00100 Nairobi, Kenya.
Type of business or sector	International Development.
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervise the various components in the programme including, enumeration of squatters, development of a sustainable integrated physical development plan of Korogocho slum, construction of four roads, construction of a footbridge, construction of a dispensary, construction of a community office. • Technical assistance to the Ministry of Local Government, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Water and Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs Programme Management Unit (PMU) in the overall management and co-ordination of the programme in all its components. • Monitoring construction of 13 youth polytechnics in 5 remote Counties in Kenya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring the construction of water projects across the Country. Monitoring construction of classrooms of two schools in the area affected by post-election violence. Represent the Italian Cooperation in development partners group on land; and urban, local government and decentralisation.
Dates	2011 (5 months)
	Researcher
Name and address of employer	IFRA/ Oxfam GB, P.O. Box 58480 – 00200 Nairobi, Kenya.
Type of business or sector	Research, Project Monitoring, Learning and Evaluation.
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Oxfam GB, Kenya Urban Programme 2008-2011. Consolidate research reports into one document based on the findings of major studies carried out by Oxfam GB urban programme between 2008-2011.
Dates	2010 (4 months)
	Researcher
Name and address of employer	IFRA/ AFD (French Agency for Development) , P.O. Box 58480 – 00200 Nairobi, Kenya.
Type of business or sector	Research, Project Monitoring, Learning and Evaluation.
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment of the social and economic impacts of the implementation of Ablution Blocks in informal settlements of Nairobi (Kibera, Mukuru, Korogocho) Recommendations for scaling up the programme
Dates	2005 - 2007
Name and address of employer	Safer Cities Programme, UN HABITAT, P.O. Box 30030 – 00100, Nairobi.
Type of business or sector	International Development, Human Settlements, and Situational Crime Prevention.
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing background documents for the global young urban professionals forum and thematic session – governance of safety and city to city cooperation. Developing national guidelines for local crime prevention for the ministry of local government. Youth empowerment through sports and upgrade of public space in Korogocho slum. Developing a situational analysis of the Nairobi by-laws. Designing a city council of Nairobi by-laws handbook. Developing the 2nd citywide crime prevention convention “crime prevention in the age of insecurity.” Developing a national workshop on modalities of rolling out the safer cities initiative in Kenya. Developing the safer spaces and streets campaign.

Professional Bodies

1. Graduate Member Architectural Association of Kenya (AAK)
2. Corporate Member Kenya Institute of Planners (KIP)

Community Work and Volunteer Experience

1. Member (2009- 2012) of Board of Governors P.C.E.A Kanjai Secondary School.

2. Chairman (2012 – 2016) of the Board of Governors P.C.E.A Kanjai Secondary School
3. Member (2016 – To date) of the Board of Management P.C.E.A Kanjai Secondary School

Publications, Papers and Journal Articles

1. Dr. P.K. Kamau and **Jackson Kago** "Introduction To Concepts & Issues Of Regional Development Planning" a paper prepared for the UN-Habitat/ AICAD, Sustainable Urban Development and Management Course for Mid Career Planners and County Officers in Kenya, 09- 14 November, 2015, AICAD Juja, Kenya.
2. **Jackson Kago** "Background Paper on Metropolitan Planning" for the Global Expert Group Meeting the Role of Metropolitan Development in Supporting the New Urban Agenda held in Guadalajara, Mexico, 03-04 December 2015
3. Remy Sietchiping, **Jackson Kago**, Xing Quan Zhang, Jane Reid, and Raf Tuts "The Role of Small and Intermediate Towns in Enhancing Urban-Rural Linkages for Sustainable Urbanization" in the "Regional Development Dialogue Vol. 35 on Urban-Rural Linkages in Support of the New Urban Agenda. (2014)
4. Remy Sietchiping, **Jackson Kago**, Xing Quan Zhang, Clarissa Augustinus, and Raf Tuts "Role of Urban-Rural Linkages in Promoting Sustainable Urbanization" [Environment and Urbanization Asia](#), September 2014; vol. 5, 2: pp. 219-234.
5. Remy Sietchiping, **Jackson Kago**, Xing Quan Zhang, Clarissa Augustinus, and Raf Tuts Urban-Rural Linkages and the Role of Land Tenure. Paper prepared for presentation at the "[2015 World Bank Conference on Land And Poverty](#)" The World Bank - Washington DC, March 23-27, 2015

Contribution in Publications

1. UN-Habitat. Korogocho Situation Analysis: A snapshot. 2010
2. Cahiers d'Afrique de l'Est N°44: [Slum Upgrading Programmes in Nairobi](#). Challenges in Implementation, 2011
3. UN-Habitat. [UN-Habitat County Engagement Framework For Kenya: Existing Planning Model, Gaps and Opportunities for Engagement](#), 2015
4. UN Task force on preparation of [Issue Paper on Urban – Rural Linkages](#), 2015.
5. UN-Habitat. World Cities Report: [Urbanization and Development: Emerging Futures](#), 2016.
6. FAO. Urbanization, Rural Transformation and Implications for Food Security - Online consultation on the background document to the [CFS Forum](#). 2016

Reviews/ Editing of Publications, Papers and Journal Articles

6. Brian Roberts "Rural urbanization and the Development of Small and Intermediate Towns." in the "Regional Development Dialogue Vol. 35 on Urban-Rural Linkages in Support of the New Urban Agenda. (2014)
7. Innocent Chirisa, Abraham Matamanda & Elmond Bandaoko, "Ruralised Urban Areas vis-à-vis Urbanised Rural Areas in Zimbabwe: Implications for Spatial Planning" in the "Regional Development Dialogue Vol. 35 on Urban-Rural Linkages in Support of the New Urban Agenda. (2014)
8. Sarfaraz Alam, "Rural-Urban Linkages and Shifting Livelihood Strategies in Rural India: A Case Study." in the "Regional Development Dialogue Vol. 35 on Urban-Rural Linkages in Support of the New Urban Agenda. (2014)

Project Evaluation Reports

9. Dr. Joseph t. Mailutha, Amélie Desgroppes, Dr. Alfred O. Mayabi, **Jackson Kago**, Dr. Christopher Kanali , Benson Karanja, Rebecca Eshiwani (2010)

Evaluation Report Assessment Of Impacts Of Ablution Blocks Project In Informal Settlements of Nairobi

10. Dr. Rosa Flores Fernandez (Coordinator), **Jackson Kago** and Pauline Zeiger (2012) *Oxfam GB Kenya Urban Programme Assessment Report*
11. Dr. Rosa Flores Fernandez (Coordinator), **Jackson Kago** and Pauline Zeiger (2012) *Insights for Oxfam GB's Future Urban Programming in Kenya*

Magazine Articles

12. **Jackson Kago** "Korogocho benefits from Kenya Italy Debt for Development Programme" in the Karibu Kenya Magazine: Publication of the Embassy of the Republic of Kenya in Italy. [December 2013 Issue](#)
13. **Jackson Kago** "Pokot Community Embraces Farming to Boost Food Security" in the Karibu Kenya Magazine: Publication of the Embassy of the Republic of Kenya in Italy. [December 2013 Issue](#)

Research Project

1. **Jackson Kago (2009) The Spatial Implications of Ethnic Settlement Patterns in Korogocho Informal** settlement, Nairobi [Thesis](#) Submitted in Partial Fulfillment for the Requirements of Master of Arts in Planning Degree of the University of Nairobi

Presentation/ Lectures

1. A lecture presentation on "The Role of Small and Intermediate Towns in Enhancing Urban-Rural Linkages for Sustainable Urbanization." At the Polytechnic University of Milan during the [1st Bishop Cities International Congress and Workshop](#). The medium and small cities: their growth, sustainability architectures, ecologies and landscapes on 11-18 December 2015, Milan, Italy
2. Presentation on "Role of Urban-Rural Linkages and the International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning" during IFAD's Global Policy Engagement Forum on Territorial Approaches, Rural-Urban linkages and Inclusive Rural Transformation on 11 December, Rome, Italy
3. Presented a "Background Paper on Metropolitan Planning" for the [Global Expert Group Meeting](#) the Role of Metropolitan Development in Supporting the New Urban Agenda held in Guadalajara, Mexico, 03-04 December 2015
4. Jackson Kago (University of Nairobi), Henry Lubinda (University of Hohenheim) and Prof. Achim von Oppen (Bayreuth University) Kigoma on the move: Motilities and identities in an East African border town. Contribution to [European Conference for African Studies \(ECAS\)](#) Leipzig 2009, Panel 27: CREATING FP7 Project on East african territorial integration (Panel Organiser: Bernard Charlery de la Masselière)
5. Jackson KAGO (2009) "Ethnic Patterns and Conflicts in an Informal 'Slum' Settlement of Nairobi" [Guest Lecture](#) at the University of Bayreuth, Germany.
6. Jackson Kago (2010) *Preventing Violence through Slum Upgrading* presented in the Crime and Violence Prevention In Nairobi: New Evidence From The Field & A Discussion Of New Prevention Opportunities [workshop](#) Co-hosted by City Council of Nairobi & The World Bank 17th November 2010
7. Korogocho, the socio - economic profile approach: case study and discussions about programme planning and Design, in the IFRA Conference on Slum upgrading in Nairobi - Challenges in the projects implementation at Alliance Française: 6th - 7th April 2011

Conferences Attended

1. Sep 2016: Urbanization and Street Vending Forum, Alliance Française, 15 September, Nairobi.
2. July 2016: Results Based Management Training (RBM) by UN-Habitat, 5 July 2016, Nairobi.
3. June 2016: Consultative Meeting: Developing a set of principles for promoting inclusive and sustainable urban rural Linkages, IFAD Headquarters, Rome, Italy.
4. June 2016: Committee of Food Security, CFS, 2nd Technical Workshop: Urbanization, Rural Transformation and Implications for Food Security and Nutrition, IFAD Headquarters, Rome, Italy.
5. June 2016: German Habitat Forum, Berlin, Germany.
6. May 2016: Operationalising Urban Rural Linkages for Integrated Territorial Development: Technical workshop in the framework of SDG11 implementation and the preparations towards Habitat III, Berlin, Germany
7. May 2016: Habitat III Cross-Cutting Expert Group Meeting "Integrating Food into Urban Planning" 12 May 2016 UN Headquarters New York City (Remote Participation)
8. April 2016: Caribbean Urban Forum 6 "Sustainable Urban Development? Rhetoric and Reality" in Paramaribo, Suriname. (Remote Participation)
9. March 2016: Reclaiming streets for pedestrians in Ruiru Institute for Transportation and Development Policy/ Kiambu County/ UN-Habitat, Ruiru.
10. March 2016: BoRAQS Seminar on "Sustainability of the Built Environment, a Case of Building Services in Intelligent Buildings" at the intercontinental hotel, Nairobi.
11. Dec 2015: 1st Bishop Cities International Congress and Workshop. The medium and small cities: their growth, sustainability architectures, ecologies and landscapes on 11-18 December 2015, Milan, Italy
12. Dec 2015: IFAD's Global Policy Engagement Forum on Territorial Approaches, Rural-Urban linkages and Inclusive Rural Transformation on 11 December, Rome, Italy
13. Dec 2015: Experts Group Meeting (EGM) "The Role of Metropolitan Development in Supporting the New Urban Agenda", in Guadalajara (Mexico).
14. Oct 2015: Experts Group Meeting (EGM) on "The Role of Intermediate Cities in Strengthening Urban-Rural Linkages towards the New Urban Agenda". Monteria, Colombia
15. Dec 2015: Food Consumption, Urbanisation and Rural Transformations Regional Workshop Report Nairobi, 12-14 October 2015
16. Sep 16 – 18 2015 – Workshop on Developing Framework for Review of Curriculum for Planning Education in Kenya, Naivasha, Kenya
17. April 2015: 25 Session of the UN-Habitat Governing Council and the Second Preparatory Session for Habitat III (PrepCom2), UNON, Gigiri, Nairobi
18. April 2015: Enhancing Urban Rural Linkages A "think tank" session for Habitat III PrepCom2 and UN-Habitat's 25GC, UNON, Gigiri, Nairobi
19. May 2013: Biennial of Public Space 2013 'Prove di Citta', Rome, Italy
20. April 2013: International Workshop Towards Scenarios for Urban Adaptation Planning "Assessing seawater intrusion under climate and land cover changes in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania." Rome, Italy
21. May 2010: Green Building Rating in Africa conference in UN-HABITAT, UN Gigiri, Nairobi.
22. April 2010: UN HABITAT/OCHA workshop on Strengthening Coordination and Response on Urban Vulnerability in Kenya – Towards a Common Plan.
23. October 2010: UN HABITAT/ OCHA workshop on "Strengthening Coordination on Urban Vulnerability in Kenya, UN Gigiri.
24. June 2009: AEGIS 3rd European Conference on African Studies (ECAS 3) conference in Leipzig, Germany.

25. Dec 2008: CREATING (Collaborative Research on East African Territorial Integration within Globalisation) research and field work training in Juja, Kenya and Kigoma Tanzania.
26. Oct 2007: World Habitat Day 'A Safe City is A Just City' in Monterrey Mexico.
27. July 2007: Violence Prevention through Upgrading. (VPUU) Dialogue Forum on "the role of community participation and ownership of public spaces in fighting crime and enhancing security," in Cape Town.
28. June – July 2007: Global Studio Johannesburg.
29. Mar 2007: Safer Cities, UN-HABITAT team building workshop.
30. Dec 2005: Habitat Jam online dialogue "Turning ideas into Action."
31. Sep 2005: 1st Strathmore University Business Conference on Youth Entrepreneurship.
32. May 2005: Design Charrette of Jevanjee Gardens in conjunction with UN-HABITAT, UON and JKUAT.
33. April 2005: 20th Session of the United Nations Human Settlement Programme (UN-HABITAT) Governing Council.
34. Feb 2005: 2nd Training Programme of the Local Crime Prevention Toolkit sponsored by UN-HABITAT Safer Cities Programme.
35. Nov 2004: Citywide Nairobi Residents Convention on crime prevention *A Safer City and Home for All-Making it happen*
36. Nov 2004: Safety Audit of Globe Cinema Roundabout in conjunction with the City Council of Nairobi (CCN) and UN-HABITAT.