

Curriculum Vitae

Personal Details

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Area of Specialization

- Physical Planning
- Environmental planning and management

Academic & Professional Qualifications

- Doctor of Philosophy in Environmental Studies (Planning and Management) – University of Eldoret, 2017.
- Master of Arts (Planning) – University of Nairobi, 2009.
- Bachelor of Environmental Studies (Planning and Management) – Kenyatta University, 2001.
- Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (K.C.S.E) – Maseno School, 1995.

Employment History

- Lecturer: Department of Spatial and Environmental Planning, Kenyatta University: – June, 2020 – To date.
- Lecturer: Department of Environmental Sciences, Pwani University: – 2018 – May, 2020.
- Assistant Lecturer: Department of Environmental Sciences, Pwani University: - September 2014 – 2017.
- Physical Planner: Department of Physical Planning, Ministry of Lands: - 2011 – 2014.
- Part-Time Lecturer: Department of Environmental Planning and Management, Kenyatta University: 2010/2011.
- Inspector of Police: Anti-Stock Theft Unit: - 2004 – 2007.
- Police Constable: General Service Unit (GSU): - 2002 – 2003.

Publications

Referred Journals

- Laji, A. and Ayonga, J. N., (2024) 'Mainstreaming Resilience to Flood Risk among Households in Informal Settlements in Kisumu City, Kenya', *Urban Resilience and Sustainability*, Vol. 2, Issue 4. pp. 326–347. DOI: 10.3934/urs.2024017.
- Laji, Adoyo., (2021) 'Nairobi's new expressway may ease traffic woes – but mostly for the wealthy', *The Conversation*, 2 November 2021.
- Laji, A., (2019) 'Regional Development Inequalities in Kenya: Can Devolution

Succeed Where Other Strategies Failed?’ *International Journal of Regional Development*, Vol. 6, No. 1: ISSN 2373-9851. pp 39-56.

- Laji, A., Daudi, F., Ayonga, J. and Mireri, C. (2017) ‘The Dual Pathways in the Process of Urban Development and their Influence on Flood Damage in Kisumu City, Kenya’, *International Journal of Scientific and Research Publications*, Vol. 7, Issue 10: ISSN 2250-3153. pp 332-341.
- Laji, A., Ayonga, J.N. and Daudi, F. (2017) ‘The Interplay between Urban Development Patterns and Vulnerability to Flood Risk in Kisumu City, Kenya’, *Journal of Environment and Earth Science*, Vol. 7, No. 7: ISSN 2224-3216. pp 92-99.

Student Co-authored Publications

- Karwitha, D.N., Timamy, M.K. and Laji, A. (2025) ‘Involvement of Slum Residents and its implication on Sustainability of Upgraded Slums in Nairobi, Kenya’, *International Journal of Research and Innovation on Social Science*, Vol. IX, Issue 1: ISSN No. 2454-6186: DOI: 10.47772/IJRISS. pp 683-694.
- Karwitha, D.N., Timamy, M.K. and Laji, A. (2025) ‘The Role of Stakeholders Participation in upgrading of Korogocho and Soweto East Slums in Nairobi, Kenya’, *Journal of Environmental Science, Toxicology and Food Technology*, Vol. 19, Issue 1: ISSN 2319-2402. DOI: 10.9790/2402-1901010921. pp 9-21.

Books and Books Chapters

- Laji, A. (2013) *Planning Challenges of Small Urban Centers: The Case of Awasi Center*, Saarbrucken, LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing. ISBN: 978-659-39661- 8.

Conferenced/Workshops/Seminars Attended

Conferences Attended

- Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA) Annual Conference 20th – 22nd August 2025, Mombasa Beach Hotel, Mombasa.
- Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA) Annual Conference – 20th – 22nd May 2024, Marie Gardens Hotel, Kitui.
- Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA) Annual Conference – 12th - 14th June 2019, at Sirikwa Hotel, Eldoret.
- Centre for Urban Research and Innovations Conference – 27th – 28th October 2016, at Panafric Hotel, Nairobi.
- Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA) Annual Conference – 30th – 31st May 2013, at Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi.
- Kenya Institute of Planners (KIP) Annual Conference – 23rd November 2012, at Laico Regency Hotel, Nairobi.
- Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA) Annual Conference – 16th November 2011, at Silver Springs Hotel, Nairobi.

Workshops Attended

- Kenya Institute of Planners (KIP) Workshop on Harmonization and Review of Planning Education Curricula in Kenya, held on 9th - 10th May 2019, at Simba Lodge, Naivasha.
- UN Habitat Workshop to develop a Framework for Review of Planning Education Curricula in Kenya, held on 16th – 18th September 2015, at Great Rift Valley Lodge, Naivasha.
- National State of Environment (SoE) Preparation Workshop, held on 25th – 28th June, 2014, at Milimani Hotel, Nakuru.
- Stakeholders' Workshop to develop System for Land Based Emissions Estimation in Kenya (SLEEK) Work plans, held on 21st - 26th July, 2013, at Elementaita Country Lodge.
- System for Land Based Emissions Estimation in Kenya (SLEEK) Stakeholders' Workshop, held on 20th - 22nd May, 2013, at Enashipai Resort and Spa, Naivasha.
- Workshop on the Preparation of National Spatial Plan, held on 14th – 15th March, 2012, at the Kenya School of Monetary Studies, Nairobi.

Supervision of Postgraduate Students

- GM82/PU/36180/19 Doris Karwitha Njati, Doctor of Philosophy student at the Department of Environmental Science, Pwani University – ongoing.
- N50EA/20256/2023 Mohamed Abdirahman Dayib, Master of Environmental Planning student at the Department of Spatial & Environmental Planning, Kenyatta University – ongoing.

Professional/ Consultancy work done

- Consultancy Services for Development of a Solid Waste Management (SWM) Policy, Guidelines and Resource Mobilization for Implementation of Solid Waste Management Strategies within Urban Institutions in Kenya – completed.

Networks/ Collaborations

- Member of the Strengthened Institutions for a Sustainable Climate (SISC) team comprising our Department, Civil Society Urban Development Platform (CSUDP), Makerere University, University of Zimbabwe and Blekinge Institute of Technology, Sweden: 2021 - 2024.
- Part of the members who won the Erasmus+ ICM Grant – Staff Mobility Training at Leiden University, The Netherlands: - 17th – 21st March, 2025.

Community Service and Other Engagements

- Member of the Board of Management (BOM) of St. Benedict Nyang'oma Mixed Secondary School, Muhoroni Sub-county, Kisumu County: - 2025 – to date.

Affiliation of Professional Bodies

- Graduate Member - Kenya Institute of Planners (KIP).

- Member of Environment Institute of Kenya (EIK).
- Member of Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA).
- Registered Environmental Impact Assessment Lead Expert by National Environment Management Authority (NEMA).

National and International awards and Recognitions

- Scholarship award by German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) – 2011 - 2014.
- Scholarship award by Gandhi Smarak Nidhi Fund – 2007 – 2009.

Administrative Positions Held

Recognized university administrative positions

- Chairman of Department – Department of Spatial and Environmental Planning, Kenyatta University: - December, 2021 – December, 2025.
- Chairman of Department – Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Kenyatta University: - March, 2021 – December, 2021.
- Departmental Examinations Coordinator – Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Kenyatta University: - September, 2020 – March, 2021.
- Department Examination Officer – Department of Environmental Sciences, Pwani University: - 2019 – 2020.

Other administrative positions Held

- Chairman, Departmental Curriculum Development and Review Committee: - January, 2026 – to date.

Referees

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