

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFILE (BIO)

Current position :

Senior Advisor Inclusive Economic and Systems Development

Education :

MA in Global Development & International Political Economy, University of Leeds

BA / BSc / Licence in International Business Management, Fachhochschule Nord-westschweiz (CH), Duale

Hochschule Baden Württemberg (DE), Université de Haute Alsace (FR)

Vocation education and training with baccalaureate at Municipality Kloten

Languages :

German (native speaker), English (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (proficient), Russian (basic)

Profile statement:

Jane is a specialist in inclusive economic and systems development with over a decade of experience working at the intersection of market research, project design and implementation, strategic advisory, team capacity building, and results assessment. What Jane enjoys most is helping partners make sense of complex systems and turning that insight into practical, scalable solutions that create lasting impact.

Her work is grounded in systems thinking, which she applies across areas such as private sector and economic development, entrepreneurial ecosystems, trade, financial or social inclusion across sectors including health. She had the privilege of collaborating with and working in a wide range of organisations – from corporates and government institutions to development agencies and civil society partners – on initiatives across different regions of the world. Jane acquired an excellent understanding for working in public and private, institutional and informal systems.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Consultancy; strategic advisory; coaching, mentoring and training; project design and implementation; research; results measurement and assessment; systems thinking; sustainability and scale planning

Further professional education

- Introduction to Neuroeconomics
- Gender & Islam Regional Workshop, Helvetas, Tajikistan
- Market System Trainings, Springfield Centre and HELVETAS SwissIntercooperation/SDC
- Private Sector Development in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Countries, DCED (ILO), Torino
- Microfinance Introduction & State of the Art, University of Zurich, Zurich
- Project Cycle Management, SDC, Bern

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Institution: Swisscontact

Date: January 2024 - Present

Position: Senior Advisor / Consultant

Support the technical delivery of Advisory, Training and Research work for Swisscontact's Inclusive Economic & Systems Development Circle. Focal Point for the Trad & Commodities.

Institution: Self-employed (UK) Date: February 2022 – December 2023 Institution: The Springfield Centre Ltd., Durham (UK) Date: April 2014 – January 2022	Position: Senior Advisor / Consultant • Provided technical, strategic and management advisory for project design and implementation, including support in partnership building • Trained, coached and mentored project teams and funders in systems' analysis and strategy / intervention design for sustainability and scale • Conducted market system assessments, and facilitating or delivering programme and intervention designs • Advised on and developed monitoring and results measurement systems, conducted results reviews and generated knowledge products • Contributed to business development including bid writing and partnership negotiations.
Institution: Helvetas Swiss Intercooperation, Osh (Kyrgyzstan) Date: March 2014 – March 2016	Position: Project Advisor and Gender Expert for three private sector development and/or agriculture projects (SDC, USAID, ICCO) • Built gender awareness among project teams • Established and advised on activities across the programme portfolios to foster gender equality in the communities and local partner organisations • Planned and advised intervention strategies applying a market systems development approach • Instigated and supported partnership negotiations for project interventions. • Established and enhanced monitoring and results measurement systems in accordance with the DCED standard • Contributed to knowledge management and sharing • Supported other issues related to the project management including communications, reporting and budgeting.
Institution: Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, Focal Point Employment and Income, Bern (Switzerland) Date: January 2013 – March 2014	Position: Trainee • Facilitated and supported the knowledge management and sharing of good practices in Private (PSD) and Financial Sector Development (FSD). • Explored the field of "Social Entrepreneurs and Enterprises" as catalyst for social inclusion and supported the planning, development, set up and financing of a pilot project. • Contributed to management and operational activities of the Swiss Capacity Building Facility (SCBF), a Public Private Partnership to further FSD, including participation in project approvals and establishment of a reporting framework and tools. • Supported the development of a microinsurance pilot protecting low-income households in Latin America against natural disasters. • Supported the knowledge capitalisation of Public Private Development Partnerships of SDC which led to the operational standardisation of PPDPs across the agency.
Institution: Zurich Film Festival, Spoundation Motion Picture AG, Zurich (CH) Date: January 2013 – March 2014	Position: Trainee Sponsorship Account Management and Marketing
Institution: GastroSuisse, Zurich (CH) Date: 2007	Position: Assistant to Legal Department of GastroSuisse, a Swiss employers' association in the hospitality industry.
Institution: Federal Court of Switzerland, Lausanne (CH) Date: 2004 - 2006	Position: Assistant / Secretary to the II. Public Law Department, managing the process of court decisions to publication.

REFERENCE PROJECTS

Global: Lead MSD Consultant, TRIC (Trade Related Instruments Connected) Network, Enhancing Synergies and Collaboration for Systemic Changes [2026]

Kenya: Coordinator and Consultant, Sustainability Assessment and Board Training of a large dairy processor in Kenya [2025–2026]

Kenya: Team leader and technical advisor of the MSD Helpdesk, UNIDO “Pathways for Profitable Dairy Farming – Maziwa Faida” [2025–2026]

DRC: Team leader and technical advisor of the MSD Helpdesk to UNIDO “Project to Support Training and Qualified Employment” (PAFEQ) [2023–2026]

KENYA: Fred Hollows Foundation: Senior International Expert, Inclusive Systems Development [2024-ongoing]

GLOBAL: Lead MSD and Strategy Advisor, Swiss Import Promotion Programme, Phase 3 design (SECO) [2024-2025]

GLOBAL: Technical Consultant (in collaboration with iGravity), Scaling ESO Programmes, Dutch Good Growth Fund, Triple Jump [2024-2025]

MENA: Senior Consultant, Inclusive Systems Development Training for Swisscontact Regional Team [2023]

GLOBAL: Senior Consultant, Addressing Structural Constraints to Scaling Innovation in Healthcare and Welfare Services, Botnar Foundation [2023]

ALBANIA: Lead Consultant, New Perspectives Kukës Programme, Swisscontact (FCDO/Home Office) [2023]

GEORGIA: Lead Technical Consultant on A2F, Rural SME Development Project, Swisscontact [2020]

BÉNIN: Lead Technical Consultant, Béninclusif, Swisscontact [2022]

GLOBAL: Lead Technical Consultant, Dutch Good Growth Fund, Triple Jump [2021]

UGANDA: Senior Consultant, Strengthen Results Delivery in relation to Market Systems Development of the Swedish Strategy for Uganda 2018-2023, Swedish Development Cooperation [2019/2020]

LEBANON: Senior consultant, market analysis and strategy development to support livelihoods amongst host and refugee communities in east and north east Lebanon, ILO [September 2019-February 2020]

NIGERIA: Senior Consultant, Strategic inputs to design, implementation and monitoring, SuNMaP2 [2019 - 2020]

MOLDOVA: Lead Consultant, Capacity building and review of programme design, HEKS/EPER Swiss Church Aid [2019]

MOLDOVA: Lead Consultant, Review the design of the second programme phase of grape and berry market systems, HEKS/EPER [2018]

MOLDOVA: Lead Evaluator, End-of-Phase review of grape and berry market systems programmes, HEKS/EPER Swiss Church Aid [2018]

TANZANIA: Senior Consultant, Scoping study / programme proposal for an urban development project [2018].

TANZANIA: Trainer/Consultant, Agriculture Markets Development Trust [2018]

ZAMBIA/KENYA: Consultant, AgriFin Accelerate (AFA), Mercy Corps and Mastercard Foundation [2017/2018]

RWANDA: Consultant/evaluator, Access to Finance Rwanda [2017]

KOSOVO: Field Researcher/MSME Specialist, EFSE Fund, Finance in Motion [2017]

SERBIA: Consultant, Private sector development programme South Serbia, SDC [2017]

MADAGASCAR: Consultant, Labour Market and Market Assessment, Save the Children [2016 – 2017]

SERBIA: Consultant, Private sector development programme Southwest Serbia, SDC [2016]

KENYA: Consultant, PSP4H Private Sector Innovation Programme for Health, DFID [2016]

KYRGYZSTAN:

- SDC Small Business and Income Creation Programme, Osh: [2014 - 2016]
- USAID Agro Horizon Programme, Osh: [2014 - 2016]
- ICCO & Helvetas Local Market Development Programme, Osh: [2014 – 2015]
- Gender Focal Point, Osh: [2014 – 2016]