



Simona Mortoro



ABOUT ME

Senior environmental engineer and international development professional with extensive background in managing projects and complex donor-funded initiatives across Africa and Asia. Committed professional and proven leader with strong stakeholder coordination skills, program design, procurement, contract and grant management, institutional capacity building, budget administration and control, mainly applied to project or programs fostering sustainability-focused development, declined mainly on environmental protection, infrastructure, WASH, urban development, food security initiatives. I hold a curious attitude, pleasure to learn, good analytic and strategic thinking.

WORK EXPERIENCE

ENVIS - Environmental Innovative Systems

Independent Consultant

Within the period *June 2004 – June 2009* I carried out several consultancy research assignments

Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) – Maputo, Mozambique

Team Leader

[10/2021 – 09/2025]

Represent the Agency at technical forum and coordination venues within the Sector of Infrastructure and Urban Development

Manage technical and administrative processes, including end-to-end Contract Management and Human Resources Management, within the framework of intergovernmental financial agreements

Programme Designing

Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) – Maputo, Mozambique

Civil Engineer / PMU Co-Director

[07/2019 – 09/2021]

Responsible for the technical support provided to country implementing partner institutions and the end-to-end direct management of grants provided within the framework of Italian funded infrastructure and urban development initiatives

Project Designing

Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) – Maputo, Mozambique

Civil Engineer / Junior

[04/2018 – 06/2019]

Integrate technical support provided to country partner institutions within the framework of Italian funded infrastructure and urban development initiatives

Contribute to the formulation of Project proposal

 **L.V.I.A. - Associazione di Cooperazione e Volontariato Internazionale** – Maputo, Mozambique

National Coordinator and Representative

[05/2014 – 04/2018]

Represent the organization at country level

Responsible for coordinating and overseeing the implementation of country-level activities

Organize, lead, and participate in collaborative initiatives with country government (at central and local level) on environmental issue with special focus on building capacities for climate action

 **COSV - Coordinamento delle Organizzazioni per il Servizio Volontario** – Quelimane, Mozambique

Project Manager

[04/2011 – 02/2013]

Responsible for the implementation of a WASH Project, ensuring compliance and high-quality delivery of the project and financial management and reporting

Carry out assessments and pre-feasibility studies as contribution to proposal design

 **GVC Italia Onlus** – Hue, Vietnam

Project Manager

[02/2010 – 06/2010]

Responsible for the implementation of an emergency reconstruction intervention on housing /WASH / livelihood ensuring compliance and high-quality delivery of the project and financial management and reporting

 **GVC Italia Onlus** – Hue, Vietnam

Consultant / WASH Expert

[06/2009 – 10/2009]

Responsible for overseeing the implementation of the infrastructure component of an integrated rural development project

End-to-end works contract management and reporting

 **ASB – Arbeiter Samariter Bund – Deutschland e.v. Foreign Aid Department** – Lira, Uganda

Consultant / WASH Expert

[01/2009 – 04/2009]

Selection and training of project staff

Training of local district-level authorities and project staff in KAP surveying, water quality monitoring and participatory hygiene promotion methods (PHAST)

 **GVC Italia Onlus** – Soroti / Kampala, Uganda

Country Representative / Project Manager

[06/2008 – 01/2009]

Represent the organization at country level

Supervise the implementation of financial and administrative procedures as per requirements

Draft proposals and reports

 **SGL – Studio Galli Ingegneria SpA** – Beijing, China

Project Engineer

[09/2006 – 09/2007]

Data collection, qualitative and quantitative data analysis, hydrological and water quality monitoring modelling

Contribute to draft proposals and reports reports

 **Istituto OIKOS** – Arusha, Tanzania

Project Manager

[02/2006 – 08/2006]

Project management and coordination of a development intervention: Action plan, Recruit, train, manage and supervise project staff, Draft project reports, Carry out WASH assessments, Draft project proposals, Maintain relationships with project stakeholders.

 **CESVI – Cooperazione e Sviluppo Onlus** – Nyala / Khartum, Sudan

Project Manager

[03/2005 – 09/2005]

Represent the organisation at WASH sector coordination meetings and maintain relationships with project stakeholders

Project coordination

Field assessments, data collection and qualitative/quantitative analysis

 **A.S.I.A. Onlus – Associazione per la Solidarietà Internazionale in Asia** – Chengdu, China

Project Manager

[07/2004 – 01/2005]

Coordination of an emergency WASH project intervention, with the following responsibilities: Design and Monitor construction works, Develop and deliver trainings on Participatory Hygiene and Sanitation Transformation (PHAST) methodology, Draft proposals, Maintain relationships with government and project stakeholders.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Master in Land Use and Water Management in Developing Countries

University of Bicocca [2003 – 2004]

City: Milan | Country: Italy

MSc (Full marks) in Environmental Engineering

University of Rome La Sapienza [1996 – 2003]

City: Rome | Country: Italy

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Italian

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING C1 READING C1 WRITING C1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C1 SPOKEN INTERACTION C1

Portuguese

LISTENING C1 READING C1 WRITING C1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C1 SPOKEN INTERACTION C1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

SKILLS

Advanced Microsoft Office / Critical thinking and Problem-Solving / Effective communication / Ability to effectively manage conflicts through mediation / Team Management / Good skills in developing technical content and in building capacity of institutional bodies / Organizational and planning skills / Team-work oriented / Decision-

making / Effective Stakeholder management / Budget control, scheduling, and regulatory compliance / Risk mitigation and resource optimization / Knowledge of the main CAD, GIS, EPANET2, SWMM, DHI software / Motivated / Responsibility

CERTIFICATIONS

[MIUR, 2003]
Civil and Environmental Engineer

[Order of Engineers - Province of Rome, 2001]
Coordinator for Safety on Construction Sites during the design and execution phases of the work

[British Council]
First Certificate in English

COURSES

[2024]
GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards, Environmental & Sustainability Solutions

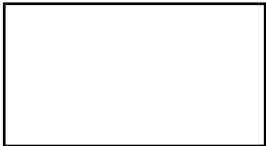
[2021]
General Procedure for Initiatives Promoted based on the RBM approach, AICS

[2021]
PRAG Grant – Procurement and Grants for European Union External Actions, PuntoSud

[2010]
Monitoring and Evaluation, NGOMS – NGO Management School Geneva

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