

Curriculum Vitae for Florence Lwiza

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1. Professional summary

Ms Florence Lwiza has over 15 years of experience in teaching, applied research, and facilitation of rural development projects in Uganda. Her previous research focused on agricultural marketing, renewable energy, technology adoption, and climate change. She has presented her research at different fora and is interested in interdisciplinary collaborations in the fields of agribusiness, policy, rural and international development.

2. Education

Period	Institution	Attainments
2016 to 2020	Kansas State University	PhD. Agricultural Economics <i>Dissertation: Economic evaluation of responses to weather-induced risks in Uganda.</i> Honorary Mention for the Carl K. Eicher Award for best doctoral dissertation
2007 to 2009	Uganda Martyrs University	Masters of Science in Development Economics <i>Thesis: Determinants of beans marketing through Area Cooperatives in Masaka and Lwengo districts.</i>
2001 to 2004	Makerere University	Bachelor of Agribusiness management. (First Class Honors)

3. Recent short courses

- September 2021 to date: Communicating agricultural, food, and nutrition policies to practice in East Africa. Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Nairobi
- January - May 2021: Impact Evaluation methodology training for Evidence-based Decisions (IEED). International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) in collaboration with the School of Statistics and School of Public Health, Makerere University
- August 2021, February 2021: Competence in designing and implementing online training and examinations using MUELE. Institute of Open, Distance & e-Learning, Makerere University

4. Notable awards and honours

- Honourable Mention for the 2021 Eicher Award for best PhD dissertation on agriculture and rural development focusing on Africa. Awarded at the International Conference of Agricultural Economists on 30th August 2021.
- Second place award for best job-market paper presentation with the title "Weather Variability, Wealth and Labor Mobility in Uganda". A paper was presented at the Southern Agricultural Economics Association Annual Conference held in February 2020 in Louisville Kentucky.
- Third place award for best poster presentation with the title "Tradeoffs and Resource Use changes associated with Biogas Technology adoption in Uganda". Selected Poster presented at the Southern Agricultural Economics Association Annual Meeting. Jacksonville, Florida. February 3-6 2018.

5. Employment

Year, position, and organization	Job summary
<p>February 2011 to date:</p> <p>Lecturer, Department of Agribusiness and Natural Resource Economics, Makerere University.</p>	<p>Primarily responsible for designing learning material and assessment methods, delivery of teaching, engaging in scholarship to support teaching activities and continually update knowledge, assessing student's progress, conducting research</p>
<p>September 2016 to July 2019:</p> <p>Graduate Research Assistant. Kansas State University</p>	<p>Primarily responsible for developing research proposals, designing data collection tools, survey data analysis, report writing and presentations at annual conferences.</p>
<p>April 2009 to November 2011:</p> <p>Program Officer, Uganda National NGO Forum</p>	<p>Primarily responsible for Research and Knowledge Management. Specific tasks included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Researching emerging policy issues. • Supporting civil society platforms for advocacy. • Organizing dissemination activities at local, regional, and national levels. • Developing concept papers and funding proposals. • Knowledge management
<p>October 2006 to 2009:</p> <p>Technical Officer, GTZ - Promotion of Employment Oriented Vocational Training Program</p>	<p>Primarily responsible for the implementation of the Non-formal skills training program in three pilot sites. Specific tasks included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination of skills training in the three regions. • Identification and training of resource persons and facilitators. • Networking with the private sector, district authorities, and the various stakeholders, • Evaluation of skills training programs, • Report writings, local language translations,
<p>September 2004 to August 2006</p> <p>Coordinator, Rakai District Farmers Association.</p>	<p>Primarily responsible for the management of organization resources and extension service to farmers. Specific tasks included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing Project Proposals for funding • Preparation of training materials and delivery of training to farmers, specializing in agribusiness enterprise development. • Report writing and documentation, • Developing work plans, budgets, and timely implementation of planned activities.

6. Research contribution

- Lwiza. F., Barkley. A., (2021). Risk preferences and adoption of index-based insurance in Uganda. Presented at the International Association of Agricultural Economics Virtual Conference, August 2021.
- Lwiza. F., Barkley. A., (2020). Weather Variability, Wealth and Labor Mobility in Uganda. presented at the Southern Agricultural Economics Association Annual Conference, held on February 1-5, 2020 in Louisville Kentucky
- Lwiza. F., Barkley. A., (2019). Food-Fuel Expenditure Elasticities and Implications for Food Security in Urban areas of Uganda. A paper presented at the Western Agricultural Economics Annual Conference held in June 2019, Idaho
- Lwiza. F., Barkley. A., (2019). Critical Temperatures and Yield Response for Coffee farms in Uganda. A paper was presented at the Western Agricultural Economics Annual Conference held in June 2019, Idaho.
- Lwiza F., Mugisha. J., Walekhwa.P.N., Jo Smith., Balana B., (2017). Dis-adoption of Household Biogas technologies in Central Uganda. *Energy for Sustainable Development*.
- Lwiza.F.,Mugisha. J., Walekhwa. P.N., Balana B.,(2016) Preferences for Biogas technology in Central Uganda: A Conjoint Analysis.
- Complexities of biogas technology uptake and integration in farming systems of SSA, Makerere University AUC Project, 2013
- The role of NGOs in Promoting Good Governance in Uganda, Uganda National NGO Forum, 2010
- Monitoring the Right to Food in Uganda, A Civil Society report, 2010 produced by the Uganda National NGO Forum.
- Facts and Figures on the Official Development Assistance to Uganda FY 1997/98 to 2008/2009, a publication of the Uganda National NGO Forum.
- Determinants of beans marketing through agricultural marketing cooperatives, Uganda Martyrs University, Nkozi, Faculty of Science, 2009.

7. Professional affiliations

- Member, International Association of Agricultural Economists.
- Member, Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAEA)
- Member, Uganda Agricultural Economics Association

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