

# CURRICULUM VITAE



## 1- BIO - DATA

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### *Brief Profile*

Prof Peter Nkala is currently seconded from the National University of Science and Technology as the Director of the Department of Research and Policy Analysis in the Ministry of Industry and Commerce in Zimbabwe. He is also the current Chairman of the Southern Africa Resilient Livelihoods Universities Network (SARLUN), a regional network of 5 Universities in 4 countries in SADC that are interested on improving community resilience through research and training. Prof Nkala, however remains a full-time Faculty member at the National University of Science and Technology in Zimbabwe. Prof Nkala is the former Executive Dean of the Faculty of Business and Economic Sciences at NUST, having assumed that responsibility from 01 July 2017. From February 2020 until 30 April 2021 was the Acting Pro-Vice Chancellor for Innovation and Business Development at NUST. Prof Nkala is the inaugural Director of the Institute of Development Sciences – NUST, from August 2011 until 30 June 2017. He holds a PhD in Economics and Social Sciences from the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU) in Vienna, Austria and an MSc and BSc degrees in Economics from the University of Zimbabwe. • He has more than 20 years' experience in Research and Consultancy in Zimbabwe and abroad • He has worked with research institutions such as the International Crop Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) the Southern African Trade Research Network (SATRN) and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), International Centre for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT) among others. • He has also done consultancy work for a number of local and International Non-Governmental Organisations in Zimbabwe and Mozambique. Prof Nkala has more than 24 published articles in number of international journals refereed and peer-reviewed journals and currently has a number of papers under peer-review and his google scholar index is 8. He has served as a Board member of the National Furniture Industries (NFI) and currently sits on the Contact Family Counselling Centre and the IDS-NUST Advisory Boards. His research interests include rural and urban development, governance, public policy, poverty alleviation, smallholder agriculture and livelihoods, economic development and trade.

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## 2 – TERTIARY EDUCATION

- (2.1) PhD in Social and Economic Sciences (BOKU, Vienna, Austria) (2008-2012)  
(2.2) Master of Science in Economics (UZ) (1999 – 2001)

- (2.3) BSc Honours in Economics (UZ) 1996-1999
- (2.4) Postgraduate Diploma in Higher Education (NUST – 2018)
- (2.5) Diploma in Human Resources Management (IPMZ)

### 3 EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

**(3.1) Director – Department of Research and Policy Analysis**, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Mukwati Building, Harare, Zimbabwe

**(3.2) Executive Dean – Faculty of Business and Economic Sciences:** 01 July 2017 – Date, National University of Science and Technology, Corner Cecil Avenue and Gwanda Rd, P.O. Box AC 939, Ascot, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**(3.3) Acting Pro-Vice Chancellor – Innovation and Business Development (APVC-IBD),** From 01 February 2020 – 30 April 2021, National University of Science and Technology, Corner Cecil Avenue and Gwanda Rd, P.O. Box AC 939, Ascot, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**(3.4) Executive Dean – Faculty of Commerce:** 01 July 2017 – Date, National University of Science and Technology, Corner Cecil Avenue and Gwanda Rd, P.O. Box AC 939, Ascot, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**(3.5) Director:** - Institute of Development Studies, as of 13 July 2011 – 30 June 2017, 38 Duncan Rd, Suburbs, Bulawayo, National University of Science and Technology, Corner Cecil Avenue and Gwanda Rd, P.O. Box AC 939, Ascot, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**(3.6) Catholic University of Mozambique (UCM) – 01 January 2007 – 31 December 2009 – 3** – Year Contract: **Position held** – Coordinator MA Economics Programme: **Duties** – Coordinating the student's registration, lectures, and supervision of dissertations working with various individual student supervisors.

**(3.7) National University of Science and Technology – (NUST) (2002- December 2006)**  
**Position Held:** Chairman/Lecturer – Department of Banking. **Duties:** Ensuring smooth running of the Department of Banking, Teaching undergraduate and postgraduate economics courses – principles of microeconomics and macroeconomics, quantitative methods, banking and development, managerial economics & supervising student dissertations. **Programme Coordinator:** Diploma in Development and Disaster Management – this diploma is offered by the centre for continuing education and is coordinated by the department of banking at NUST. **Academic Advisor and counsellor:** Part IV Banking Students. **Faculty of Commerce Representative** to the Research Board

**(3.8) Catholic University of Mozambique (CUM): Period** August 2006 – December 2006):  
**Position Held:** Visiting Lecturer / Supervisor: **Duties:** Supervision of Master of Business (MBA) and Master of Arts (MA) in Economics and Management Students' Dissertations & Teaching courses in the two programmes if necessary.

## 4 – OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

**(4.1) Board Chairman/Vice-Chairman / Board Member** – Contact Family Counselling, No. Barbour Avenue, Parkview, Bulawayo. Responsible for advising Board on Financial issues including funding and budgeting – 2011 - Date.

**(4.2) Board Member** – Ex-officio, Advisory Board, Institute of Development Studies, National University of Science and Technology (NUST), Bulawayo, Zimbabwe – 2011 - Date.

**(4.3) Board Member/Interim President** – Institute of Project Management, 8 Buckingham Road, Eastlea, Harare, Zimbabwe, 2013 - 2014.

**(4.4) Board Member** – National Furniture industries (Pvt) Limited, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, elected to the Board with effect from August 2007 - 2008. **Duties** – rendering advice to company management regarding business management and economic issues critical to successful operation of the enterprise in a very volatile economic and business climate that currently prevails in Zimbabwe.

**(4.5) Chairman / Vice-Chairman** – St Thomas Aquinas Primary School, Parents Teachers Association – 2014-2016

## 5 – PREVIOUS EMPLOYERS

**(5.1) Catholic University of Mozambique (UCM): Period** - February – March 2005): **Position Held:** Visiting Lecturer: **Duties:** Teaching, Supervision and Examining Master of Science Economics and Master of Business Administration Managerial Economics courses.

**(5.2) International Crop Research Institute for The Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)** (March – August 2002) –**Position Held:** Scientific Officer: Economics & Social Research **Duties:** Conducting surveys on seed and commodity markets in the dry areas of Zimbabwe, coding, enumerator training, data analysis, writing reports & presentation of results

**(5.3) Zimbabwe Community Health Intervention Research -: ZICHIRE Project: Period:** (September 2001 – February 2002), **Position Held:** Ethnographer/Researcher **Duties:** preparation of questionnaires, collection of data & coding, coding and data analysis for the ZIM-CDC-ZICHIRE modelling and reinforcement to combat HIV/AIDS (M.A.R.C.H.) project

**(5.4) University of Zimbabwe – Period:** (October 1999 – June 2001). **Position Held:** Teaching Assistant / Research Assistant, **Duties:** Conducting tutorials for undergraduate courses – quantitative methods and political economy / Collecting, Coding, Imputing & Analysis of Data On Zimbabwe' S Social Safety Nets, Globalization / collecting data & preparation of the policy paper for the human development (1999) / collecting data on land use patterns in SADC, data on small scale enterprises, & data on retrenchment in Zimbabwe since ESAP.

**(5.5) Intermediate Technology Development Group (ITDG) Period:** (January – March, 1998) **Position held:** Research Assistant, **Duties:** questionnaire administration, team leader, driving, planning of daily activities

## 6 – PROJECTS AND RESEARCH PAPERS

1. Gumbo N and Nkala P (2024) Trade Facilitation as a Catalyst for Government Revenue Enhancement: Exploring the Synergies between Trade efficiency and Tax Collection, *International Journal of Innovative Science and Research Technology (IJISRT)* (in press)
2. Gumbo, N., & Nkala, P. (2024). Trade Facilitation Reforms Implementation by Developing countries: The Case of Zimbabwe. *International Journal of Social Science Research and Review*, 7(6), 150-175. <https://doi.org/10.47814/ijssrr.v7i6.2136>
3. Ncube M, Ncube MB, Mpofu T, Moyo F, Nkala P, Makwati L. B (2024) Chronicle's Footprint in Purging Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa from ZANU-PF Government: Media-Framing of the Nine Provincial-Youth Interface-Rallies in 2017, *Journal of African Film & Diaspora Studies (JAFDIS)* 7 (2)
4. Gumbo, N., & Nkala, P. (2023). A qualitative meta-analysis of issues and challenges of trade facilitation in developing countries. *International Journal of Research in Business and Social Science* (2147- 4478), 12(6), 159–175.
5. Nkala, P (2023): Exploring Innovative and Sustainable Financing of Agriculture in Zimbabwe's Second Republic IN Moyo G., Helliker, K (Eds) Making Politics in Zimbabwe's Second Republic, Advances in African Economic, Social and Political Springer, Charm Development. Springer, Cham. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-30129-2\\_13](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-30129-2_13)
6. Nkala, P., and M. Ncube. 2020. "Institutional Structures for Student-Inclusivity in Quality Assurance Promotion in Higher Education: The Case of One University in Zimbabwe". *South African Journal of Higher Education* 34 (5), 92-108. <https://doi.org/10.20853/34-5-4243>.
7. Mbawu C and **Nkala P.** (2018): A Critical Review of the Implementation Challenges of the Zimbabwe Accelerated Arrears Clearance Debt and Development Strategy (ZAADDs), *Journal of Economics and Sustainable Development*, Vol.9, No.10, pp10-28 <https://www.iiste.org/Journals/index.php/JEDS/article/view/42425/43692>
8. **Nkala P** (Edited), Dube N, Munsaka E, Sibanda B, and Sithole M (2017): Agro dealers, market hubs, producer groups and value chain financing in Binga and Hwange Districts, Matabeleland North Province, Zimbabwe, Applied Research Report on the Food Nutrition and Income (FNI) project submitted to SNV, January 2017.
9. **Nkala P.** and Phulu K.I. (2016): The local governance Manual for Local Authorities in Zimbabwe, Municipal Development Programme (MDP) and Local Authorities Community Enhancement Programme (LACEP), Harare, Zimbabwe (*work in progress*)
10. **Nkala P.** (2016): Financing a Devolved Local Government: Insights for policy-makers, *Paper presented at the Public Policy Research Institute of Zimbabwe, Devolution Audit Conference*, 7 January 2016, Holliday Inn, Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**
11. **Nkala P.** (2014): The Significance of Local Government in local development: Prospects for Provincial Councils *Paper presented at the Public Policy Research Institute of*

*Zimbabwe, PCSP Strategic Planning Workshop* on 10 July 2014, Hwange Safari Lodge, Zimbabwe

12. **Nkala P** (2014): Devolution Implementation Challenges: Prospects for the Future in Zimbabwe, Paper presented at the Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Devolution Seminar on Devolution Implementation Challenges in Zimbabwe, July 2015, Oasis Hotel, Harare, **Zimbabwe**.
13. **Nkala P.**, Sibanda B, Dube, N (2014): “Performance of Zimbabwean government post July 2013 elections, policy pronouncements, ZimASSET aspirations and impacts on the economy and necessary drivers for success”, 21 – 22 October 2014, Burgers Park Hotel, Pretoria, **South Africa**
14. André Bianconi, Tommy Dalgaard , Bryan F. J. Manly , José S. Govone , Michael J. Watts , **Peter Nkala** , Gustavo Habermann , Yanbo Huang & Adriane B. S. Serapião (2013) Methodological Difficulties of Conducting Agroecological Studies from a Statistical Perspective, *Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems*, 37:4, 485-506, DOI: 10.1080/10440046.2012.712941
15. Sithole M, **Nkala P**, and Dube N (2012) Do Urban Community Gardens Matter? The Case of Bulawayo Metropolitan Province in Zimbabwe, *Mediterranean Journal of Social Sciences*, 3(9): 249 – 257
16. Nkala, P.; Mango, N.; Zikhali, Precious. 2011. Conservation agriculture and livelihoods of smallholder farmers in Central Mozambique. *Journal of Sustainable Agriculture*, 35(7):757-779. Doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/10440046.2011.606492>
17. **Nkala, P.**, Mango, N., Corbeels, M., Veldwisch, G., Huising, J. (2011b). The Conundrum of Conservation Agriculture and Livelihoods in Southern Africa. *African Journal of Agricultural Research* 6(24): 5520 – 5528.
18. **Nkala P.** (2006): An Assessment of Orphaned and Vulnerable Children in Bulilima and Mangwe Districts in Matabeleland South Province, a Baseline report prepared for SNV Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**
19. **Nkala P** (2005): Challenges and opportunities faced by Rural Businesses in a hyperinflationary environment, Paper prepared for the Entrepreneurial Development Centre Consultative Conference – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2005, NUST, Council Chambers, Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**
20. **Nkala P.** (2005) : Financial sector reforms and access to financial services by cross border traders in Small to medium scale enterprises (SMEs) in Zimbabwe, Southern Africa Trade and Research Network (SATRN), May 2005, Livingstone- **Zambia**
21. **Nkala P** (2005): The Impact of Used clothing on the Clothing and Textile industry in Zimbabwe, On-going research being carried out for WTO, Geneva, Switzerland (*Unpublished*).

22. **Nkala P.** (2004) The Social Sector and National Budget: A Focus on social welfare, Education, Agriculture and the informal sector, Poverty Reduction Forum, Zimbabwe, and Paper presented at the Budget Series Workshop, 26 February 2004, Rainbow Hotel, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe.
23. **Nkala P.** (2003): The impact of financial sector reform on poverty alleviation: the case of development finance institutions in Zimbabwe, Paper presented at the ILO, workshop, 29-31 October 2003, Cotonou, **Benin**
24. Ndlela, T and **Nkala, P.** (2003). A Structural analysis of the Sources and Dynamics of Fluctuations in the South African Economy, (Trade and Investment Policy Strategies Conference, from 8-10 September 2003, Indaba Hotel, Johannesburg, South Africa
25. **Nkala P.** (2001): Valuation of Water and an Analysis of Socio-Economic and Environmental Impacts of Water Development Projects in Zimbabwe: The Case of Mtshabezi Dam, *Unpublished* MSc Thesis, University of Zimbabwe

## **7 – INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

1. **Council for Higher Education**, CHE Quality Promotion Conference, WSIR International Convention Centre, Pretoria, South Africa, 26-28 February 2020
2. **Southern Africa Society for Disaster Risk Reduction, Regional Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction**, 12-14 October 2016, Elephant Hills Hotel, Victoria Falls, **Zimbabwe**.
3. Public Policy Research Institute of Zimbabwe, **Devolution Audit Conference**, 7 January 2016, Holliday Inn, Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**.
4. Public Policy Research Institute of Zimbabwe, **Councillors and Legislators Seminar**, Sethule Lodge, August 2015, Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**.
5. Public Policy Research Institute of Zimbabwe, Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Devolution Seminar on **Devolution Implementation Challenges in Zimbabwe**, July 2015, Oasis Hotel, Harare, **Zimbabwe**.
6. Public Seminar on the **Zimbabwean Economy Outlook**, Burgers Park Hotel, 21 – 22 October 2014, Pretoria, **South Africa**
7. Public Policy Research Institute of Zimbabwe, PCSP Strategic Planning Workshop on 10 July 2014, *The Significance of Local Government in local development: Prospects for Provincial Councils*, Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**
8. Botho University, Gaborone Botswana, **International Conference on Employability and Internationalization**, 25-26 November 2013, Gaborone, **Botswana**
9. Sapienza University, **International Conference on Human and Social Sciences**, September 2013, Rome, **Italy**
10. Praxis Institute, **Training Workshop on Participatory Research Tools**, August 2012, Bangalore, **India**
11. UNCTAD **workshop on Trade and Poverty**, 19-23 November 2007, Dar-es-Salaam, **Tanzania**
12. UNCTAD **Training Course on Key Issues on the International Economics Agenda**, Second Regional Training for Africa, 04-22 February 2007. Cairo, **Egypt**
13. University of the Free State (DiMTEC) & NUST, **Sphere Training Workshop**, 03-07 July 2006, NUST Council Chambers, Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**

14. UNCTAD **Training Workshop on Commodities Production and Trade**, 16-20 January 2006, Dares Salaam, **Tanzania**
15. Southern Africa Trade Research Network, (SATRN) Researchers Workshop, May 2005, Livingstone, **Zambia**.
16. UNDP/CPU, National Conference on the Plan of Action to Strengthen Disaster Risk Management, 25-29 July 2005, Troutbeck Inn Hotel, Inyanga, **Zimbabwe**
17. SATRN, UNCTAD, WTO Researchers Workshop, Windhoek Country Club, November 2004, Windhoek, **Namibia**
18. SATRN, BIDPA Researchers Workshop on Commodities Trade, University of Pretoria, 19-23 April, 2004, Pretoria, **South Africa**
19. Trade and Investment Policy Strategies (TIPS), DIPRU Annual Forum 2003, Indaba Hotel, September 2003, Johannesburg, **South Africa**
20. ILO Researchers Workshop on Financial Sector Liberalization, Hotel Marina, 29-31 October 2003, Cotonou, **Benin**

## **8 SUPERVISION OF PROJECTS & DISSERTATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS**

- Development studies
- Development economics
- International trade and development
- Agricultural Economics
- Livelihoods and development

## **9 POSTGRADUATE DISSERTATIONS SUPERVISED & EXAMINED – LAST 5 YEARS**

I supervised about 80 undergraduate banking related projects and about more than 50 MSc Banking and Financial Services dissertations in the Department of Banking at the National University of Science and Technology (NUST), Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe**

In addition, I have marked and moderated a number of Masters in Business Administration dissertations for the Graduate School of Business at the National University of Science and Technology (NUST), Bulawayo, **Zimbabwe** as well as examined Doctoral Thesis in the area of agriculture and livelihoods as well as Business for the Makerere University Business School, **Uganda**, University of the Free State, **South Africa**, Fort Hare, **South Africa** and the Chinhoyi University of Technology, **Zimbabwe**

I also, taught, examined and supervised Master of Science in Business Administration students and dissertations respectively, at the Catholic University of Mozambique in Beira, **Mozambique**

## **11 – AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST**

Macroeconomics, International Trade, Agriculture Economics, Development Economics, Environmental Economics, Poverty Alleviation, Financial Economics, Financial Liberalization, Development and Disaster Management, HIV & AIDS and Livelihoods, Agriculture Economics and Livelihood Transformation

**12 – COMPUTER SKILLS:** Microsoft Word, Excel, Limdep, Stata, Microfit 4.0, Nudist 5, and SPSS.

### **13 – REFEREES**

**(13.1)** Prof Lwazi Sibanda, Executive Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology Education, National University Of Science and Technology, P. O. Box AC939, Ascot, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, **Mobile:** +263772921742. Email: [lwazi.sibanda@nust.ac.zw](mailto:lwazi.sibanda@nust.ac.zw)

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