

CURRICULUM VITAE – A ONE PAGE SUMMARY

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Biographical Summary



Okeyo Benards is currently a Senior Lecturer at Pwani University in the department of Environmental Sciences. His academic qualifications include: PhD in Social Ecology from Bremen University – Germany, M.Sc. in Aquatic Ecology from Bremen University, B.Sc. in Natural Resources Management from Egerton University – Kenya and Certificate in psychology and counseling from Egerton and Pathfinder International. He is the founder of Eco Ethics – Kenya, a non-state actor active in community mobilization towards sustainable utilization of natural and environmental resources. He has worked extensively with various coastal communities to explore alternative livelihoods, enhance sustainability and balance between consumptive and non-consumptive resource uses, promote environmental education and awareness, advocated for empowerment and acceptable environmental governance. As a don, he is focused on analysis of community participatory approaches, ecosystems dynamics and management, qualitative research approaches, resilience studies and impacts of climate change on livelihoods among others. He is a member of numerous professional bodies like; Integrated Coastal Zone Management of Kenya, the Nairobi Convention of UNEP, Beaches Technical Committee of the Kenya Bureau of Standards, West Indian Ocean Marine Sciences Association and the Ecological Society of East Africa, an Executive Committee member of Kenya DAAD Scholars Association, Pwani University Ethics Review Committee to mention but a few. He is also a certified EIA lead expert besides being a founder and initiator of several community based groups. Has developed and implemented diverse externally and internally funded projects with bias to aquatic biodiversity, environmental sustainability, fisheries development, improvement of livelihoods and institutional development.

A detailed CV available upon request.

