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Position	Advisor Sustainable Land Management/Project Manager International Cooperation Projects

KEY QUALIFICATIONS/FIELD OF EXPERTISE

- Sustainable land management
- Food and nutrition security
- Nutrition-sensitive agriculture
- Preparatory doctoral training
- BKO (qualified lecturer in Higher Education)
- Project management of international cooperation projects in Higher Education

SUMMARY OF WORK EXPERIENCE

Sabina is a Sustainable Land Management specialist at the Centre for International Cooperation at the VU (since 2006). The focus of her work is in the areas of natural resource management, food and nutrition security, indigenous knowledge, local farmer innovation and rural development. In her work, she embeds participatory, multi-actor and gender-sensitive approaches to promote equitable cooperation and knowledge co-creation. Her tasks encompass design, management and implementation of capacity building and research projects for various donors. She has field experience in technical backstopping and oversight of rural development projects in Sub-Saharan Africa and South-East Asia.

Sabina is also a certified university teacher (BKO). She has experience in teaching and coordination of courses at Bachelor and Master levels, supervision of students, training of short courses as well as the development of teaching and training material. Since 2014, she has co-facilitated three Preparatory Doctoral tailor-made training held at the VU for potential PhD students from Ethiopia and Kenya.

In 2017, she started her PhD at the VU-Athena Institute. She conducts transdisciplinary research on the topic of Nutrition-Sensitive Agriculture (NSA) addressing issues of food insecurity and malnutrition among vulnerable rural communities in Lao PDR and Vietnam.

PROJECTS

Sub-Saharan Africa

- [Spatial Planning and Agribusiness and Public Policy Development in Greater Western Kenya \(SPADE\) in Kenya](#)
2016-2020
- [A Sustainable Approach to Livelihood Improvement \(ASALI\) in Kenya](#)
2014-2020
- **Capacity Building for HEIs in Natural Resource Management, Tourism and Eco-tourism (STRONGBOW) in Ethiopia**
2011-2018
- **Water harvesting technologies in Sub-Saharan Africa (WhaTeR)**
2011-2015
- **Stimulating Community Initiatives in Sustainable Land Management (SCI-SLM)**
2009-2015
- **PROMoting Local INNOVation in ecologically-oriented agriculture and NRM (PROLINNOVA)**
2006-2010

TEACHING

- Amsterdam Summer School course on Feeding the Billions: Challenges and Innovation in Food and Water Security
- Preparatory doctoral training within the framework of projects
- Sustainable Land Management course, Master level (2007 – 2014)
- Environment and Development course, Bachelor level (2007 – 2016)

PUBLICATIONS

View Sabina Di Prima's publications at [VU Research Portal](#).