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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Agricultural Trade Policy, Agribusiness, Corporate Governance, Value Chain Analysis, New Institution Economics & Food Systems

RESEARCH SKILLS/COMPETENCIES

Research Analysis Tool (R-Statistics Tool, Gravity Model of Trade, Heckman model); Excellent oral, writing and editing skills; Ability to work in a multi-cultural & multi-national

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS	DATES
Doctor of Philosophy in Agribusiness and Commerce Lincoln University, New Zealand	2020 (Admitted)
Masters in Management Studies – First Class University of Waikato, New Zealand	2015-2017
Graduate Diploma in Agribusiness University of Waikato, New Zealand	2014-2015
Master in Arts (Politics & International Relations) University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana	2010-2013
Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration & Political Science University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana	2003-2007

SHORT COURSES

Certificate in Political Economy of Land Governance Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, University of the Western Cape	2021	
SEED BDS+ Training of Trainers on Climate Change Adaptation Enterprise Development, Aldephi (Germany)	2021	
Certificate in Agriculture, Economics & Nature University of Western Australia	2016	

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

POSITION	DATE
Private Secretary to the Assistant Minister Ministry of Agricultural Development & Food Security	Feb 2020-2024
Lecturer of Small Business Management University of Botswana (Part-time)	2018-Current
Agricultural Research and Sustainability Consultant KGM Consulting Pty (Ltd), Botswana	April 2017-February 2020
Agribusiness Research Assistant University of Waikato, New Zealand	2014 November-February 2015
Land Rights Programme Officer Internship Programme Foundation for Human Rights	February-March 2014
Graduate Student Assistant (Part-time) University of Botswana, Botswana	October 2013-February 2014
Agricultural Assistant Training and Reforms Coordinator Botswana Ministry of Agricultural Development & Food Security	September 2008– February 2014

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Mpejane, K., & Ndebele, T. (2021). Assessing the Impacts of South African Land Expropriation without Benefits on Botswana Food Security. In R. Harvey, *The Complexities of Land Tenure and Land Reform in Africa*. Johannesburg: Jacana Media. **(Submitted)**

<https://www.landgovernance.org/good-governance-africa-call-for-paper-proposals/>

Mpejane, K. (2019). The Role of Youth in The Socio-economic Development of Bokaa Community. In J. Muchiri, *Youth Elevating Africa - Grass roots Development* (Vol. 1). Beau Bassin, Mauritius: LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing. <https://www.amazon.com/Youth-Elevating-Africa-development-thousands/dp/6200316619>

PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

Agricultural trade within the SADC region: The role of institutional quality and institutional distance; Journal of Institutional Economics **(Work in Progress)**.

Agroterrorism: *Threats, Vulnerabilities and Consequences in the Southern African Region*, ICCT Journal **(Submitted)**.

Explaining Crazy Avocado Prices in Botswana: *African Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics (Submitted)*

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Keletso, T. & Mpejane, K. (2021). *Achieving Sustainable Food Security through Water Accounting within the Agricultural Sector in Botswana*. IWRA 2021 Online Conference One Water, One Health: Water, Food and Public Health in a Changing World: June 7th-9th, 2021
<https://iwraonlineconference.org/>

Mpejane, K., Mpabanga, D. & Moremi, M. (2020). *Local Democracy and Adoption of Climate Smart Agriculture in Botswana: A New Institutional Economics Perspective*. Presented at the Swedish International Centre for Local Democracy: 14th -18th December 2020

Mpejane, K. (2019). *Inclusive Value Chains through Sustainable Intensification of Agriculture*. Presented at the 29th International Leadership Seminar for Rural Youth: 7th -20th August 2019, Herrsching, Germany.

Southern African Historical Society; “Trails, Traditions, Trajectories: Rethinking Perspectives on Southern African Histories.” 27th Biennial Conference – Rhodes University, 24-26 June 2019: *The Impacts of Mineral Revolution in South Africa and Integration of Southern Africa into the Global Political Economy, Case of Hut Tax and Agricultural Development in Botswana*

World Youth Forum, Africa 2063, the Africa we Want; Intra-African agricultural trade and Food Security, Egypt, Sharm el Sheikh, 13-16 December 2019.

Waikato Management School Conference, 10th October 2016: *Agricultural trade within the SADC region: The role of institutional quality and institutional distance*

New Zealand Ministry of Primary Industries: Agribusiness- Growing New Zealand’s Future: The Impacts of Emerging Trade Agreements- University of Waikato, New Zealand, 14th March 2016

DEANZ 2016 Conference, Organized by the University of Otago, New Zealand

New Zealand Institute of Primary Industry Management, Ruakura, AgResearch-New Zealand, February 2015: Adapting New Zealand’s farming practices for Botswana

FUNDED PROJECTS

New Zealand High Commissioners’ Fund, EUROS 22,000.00

Trade Union Capacity Building Projects; Botswana Federation of Trade Unions, Botswana Public

Employees Union; EUROS 15 000.00

New Zealand Aid Scholarship; Masters in Management Studies and Graduate Diploma in New Zealand.

Newspaper Publications

Xenophobic Attacks, a Serious Threat to the African Continental Free Trade Area

<https://farmersreview.co.bw/2020/08/31/xenophobic-attacks-a-serious-threat-to-the-african-continental-free-trade-area/>

African Independence, A Betrayed Agrarian Revolution; <https://landportal.org/blog-post/2019/11/african-independence-betrayed-agrarian-revolution>

South African Land Expropriation without Compensation a Threat or an Opportunity to Botswana Food Security? <https://landportal.org/es/blog-post/2019/11/south-african-land-expropriation-without-compensation-threat-or-opportunity>

Sustainable Intensification, A Panacea to Botswana Agricultural Productivity

<https://farmersreview.co.bw/2018/09/01/sustainable-intensification-a-panacea-to-botswana-agricultural-productivity/>

Listeriosis Outbreak in South Africa- an Agro-terrorist Act? Weekend Post,
<http://www.weekendpost.co.bw/wp-news-details.php?nid=4926#>

Stagnant Public Expenditure on Agriculture Worrisome. Weekend Post,
<http://www.weekendpost.co.bw/wp-news-details.php?nid=4808>

Public Lectures

University of Botswana, *Agricultural Trade in the African Continental Free Trade Area (AFCTA): Institutions Matter*, 13 November 2020

Co-producer of the Farmers' Diary, Agricultural Radio Show on Gabz FM, Thursdays 4-5pm 2019-January 2020

University of Botswana, *Shaping Agricultural Policy in Botswana: Inferences from Political Party Manifestos for the 2019 General Elections*, October 2019

British High Commission Gaborone, **Climate FocusBW Talk Show; *Climate Change and Smallholder Farmers in Botswana***, 8 October 2019

Kalahari Conservation Society, *Sustainable intensification of agriculture (SIA) a solution to human-animal conflicts*, Gaborone, 25 July 2019

University of Botswana, Masters in Public Policy and Research, *Agricultural Policy: Sustainable Intensification of Agriculture, a Solution to Botswana Agricultural Productivity*, Gaborone, November 2018

Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Sciences, *Agricultural Policy: Sustainable Intensification of Agriculture, a Solution to Botswana Agricultural Productivity*, Botswana, 14th September 2018

Imperial School of Business and Science (ISBS), *Sustainable Agritourism as a Strategy for Rural Development and Poverty Eradication in Botswana*, June 2018

REFEREES

Dr. Daniel Gregg, Lecturer of Agribusiness, Senior Research Fellow, University of New England, Australia. email: dgregg@une.edu.au

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