

Curriculum Vitae: Chipo Yvette Rusere

Nationality	Zimbabwean (South African Permanent Resident)
Education	MSc (Candidate) Specialising in Climate Change and Development University of Cape Town MCom, Economics (2018) Specialising in Economic Development (with a distinction for the dissertation component) University of Cape Town BCom (Honours), Economics and Legal Theory (2012) Rhodes University
Languages	English (fluent), Shona (mother tongue), German (basic), French (basic)
Employment record	
August 2019 - Present	Business Development Manager OneWorld Sustainable Investments Cape Town, South Africa
April 2018 - Present	Junior Researcher OneWorld Sustainable Investments Cape Town, South Africa
March 2016 – June 2016	Conference Coordinator (Financial Markets Indaba) Emergent Capital Management Harare, Zimbabwe
November 2012 – August 2015	Business Development Officer Expert Decision Systems Credit Bureau Harare, Zimbabwe
March 2014 – January 2017	Board Secretary Zimbabwe German Society Harare, Zimbabwe
March 2012 – August 2012	Revenue Control Analyst Daimler AG Stuttgart, Germany
Relevant professional experience (selected)	
May – July 2019	Climate Resilience & Risk Finance Research Centre for Global Disaster Protection funded by DFID and implemented by Oxford Policy Management (OPM) Researcher Research on the climate resilience and risk financing nexus to support the UK's position as Co-chair of the Resilience Pillar of the UN Climate Summit in September 2019 and beyond. This included the development of a conceptual framework on resilience and risk financing approaches, principles and mechanisms; assessment of best practices for climate resilience and risk management and finance to define gaps and misalignments and identify potential entry points for further implementation/policy development.

April – May 2019	<p>Key Lessons on Institutional Arrangements for Managing the Restructuring of National Power Utilities</p> <p>Managing Infrastructure Investment Reform and Regulation in Africa (MIRA) Programme, Graduate School of Business, University of Cape Town</p> <p>Researcher</p> <p>Part of a research team on the development of a policy note, detailing six country case studies on experiences with electricity sector restructuring, with a specific focus on institutional and governance arrangements. Drawing key lessons and making recommendations for South Africa’s ongoing power sector reform process. The policy note contributed towards the work of the Presidential Eskom Sustainability Task Team in establishing a roadmap for restructuring of South African the state-owned electricity utility company.</p>
Jan 2019 – May 2019	<p>Developing Guidelines for Screening Climate Change in Sectoral Policies, Plans and Strategies</p> <p>Zambia Ministry of National Development Planning, Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience</p> <p>Project Co-ordinator</p> <p>OneWorld is supporting the Zambian government to mainstream climate change into development planning by developing screening guidelines that can be applied in assessing climate change responsiveness of sector policies, plans and strategies. The work involves undertaking a situational assessment of sector policies, plans and strategies; developing climate change screening guidelines that are tested and validated through Focus Group Discussions and workshops; testing the guidelines by screening policies from three priority sectors- agriculture, infrastructure and water; facilitating a Training of the Trainers on the application of the screening guidelines.</p>
Nov 2018- March 2019	<p>Evaluation: Impact and Implementation of the Western Cape Climate Change Response Strategy (WCCCRS)</p> <p>Western Cape Government Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning</p> <p>Junior Researcher on the Evaluation Team. OneWorld was commissioned to conduct an external evaluation of the implementation of the 2014 WCCCRS & Implementation Framework and to bring an independent assessment of stakeholder views and perspectives of the success of the strategy’s implementation. Conducted desktop research contributing to a diagnostic analysis of the level of implementation of the WCCCRS in key Western Cape Government policy documents; carried out a benchmark analysis of three sub-national climate change strategies globally; conducted stakeholder interviews and provided support in the compilation and analysis of the findings.</p>
Aug 2018- May 2019	<p>“Sustainable Low-Income Energy Services” Study to the Benefit of the City of Cape Town</p> <p>AFD – Agence Française de Développement, City of Cape Town</p> <p>Research support and analysis</p> <p>Provided research support and conducted a benchmark analysis for low income energy service provision in middle to low income countries. The project aims to deepen the City of Cape Town’s (CCT) understanding of the costs and benefits of low-income household (LIHH) energy services, with a view to optimising service delivery models for LIHHs.</p>
April 2018- Aug 2018	<p>WHO FCTC Secretariat’s Knowledge Hub on Taxation and Illicit Trade</p> <p>WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control Global Progress Report 2018</p> <p>Data analyst for the World Health Organisation (WHO) Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) Knowledge Hub on Taxation and Illicit Trade. Contributed to the WHO FCTC Secretariat’s biennial Global Progress Report, launched at COP8 in October 2018; conducted trend analysis on tax data and tobacco prices for 181 countries; write-up of a country case study for best practices in tax reform.</p>
March 2016 – June 2016	Financial Markets Indaba Conference

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Emergent Capital Management

Conference Coordinator for the inaugural Financial Markets Indaba (FMI) conference held in Harare, Zimbabwe on 30 June 2016 and in association with Thomson Reuters. The FMI is a series of investment conferences convened under Indaba Africa with a view to promote investment in Zimbabwe. The conference format includes panel discussions, plenary sessions and closed-door roundtables on various topics, including private equity, infrastructure financing and venture capital. In 2018, the Financial Markets Indaba was nominated for two awards in the category of Best Event of The Year: from the Zimbabwe Achievers Awards UK and Zimbabwe Achievers Awards South Africa Edition.

2013 – Aug 2015	<p>Development of an Agro Finance Scorecard and Agro-Database Expert Decision Systems Zimbabwe</p> <p>Business Development Officer</p> <p>This project was co-funded by the Agro Initiative Zimbabwe (AIZ), a programme implemented by TechnoServe Zimbabwe and received US\$445,000 in funding from the Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund (AECF). The objective of the programme was to promote the inclusion of smallholder farmers in their supply chains. To contribute to this, the XDS project developed an Agro Finance Scorecard in order to capacitate access to finance for smallholder farmers and information access for contracting companies and financing institutions. The Scorecard was based on an Agro-Database also developed under the project.</p>
2014 – Aug 2015	<p>Development of an SME database and credit risk screening process Expert Decision Systems Zimbabwe (XDS)</p> <p>Portfolio Manager</p> <p>This project adapted the XDS individual consumer database to include credit data for SMEs as well as a developing a screening and rating process for small-medium enterprises. The role involved organising learning and knowledge-sharing events for SMEs in Harare with a focus on credit risk training. Chipo was also responsible for compiling a periodic Newsletter which was shared among the XDS client network.</p>
2014 – Aug 2015	<p>Development of an employee verification service (E Check) http://www.echeck.co.zw/about.html Expert Decision Systems Zimbabwe (XDS)</p> <p>Portfolio Manager</p> <p>Chipo initiated XDS's employee verification (E Check) service which operated on the back of the credit database but was supplemented with external qualification and other background checks. E Check serviced local and South African-based clientele, including top-rated agencies such as MIE, EMPS and RefCheck. The role also involved organising marketing and knowledge-sharing events for XDS existing and potential clients in Harare and Johannesburg.</p>
Nov 2012 – Aug 2015	<p>Expert Decision Systems Zimbabwe (XDS)</p> <p>Business Development Officer</p> <p>This role involved supporting business development and conducting desktop-based research to support the development of an agro-database of small-scale farmers for the purposes of monitoring and recording financial history; creating a database of small-medium enterprises for SME rating; providing credit risk training to farmers, SMEs and microfinance institutions.</p>

Publications

- Petrie, B. and Rusere, C. (2019). Guidelines for Screening Climate Change in Sector Policies, Plans and Strategies. For the Zambian Ministry of National Development Planning. OneWorld Sustainable Investments. Cape Town, South Africa
- Rusere, C., Egbe, C. & Walbeek, C. (2019). Evaluating the implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in Zimbabwe: A Political Economy Study. A minor dissertation submitted in partial



fulfilment of the requirements for the award of the degree of Master of Economics, specialising in Economic Development. School of Economics. University of Cape Town. (In preparation)

WHO (2018). 2018 Global Progress Report on the Implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Available: https://www.who.int/fctc/reporting/WHO-FCTC-2018_global_progress_report.pdf

