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Strengths and Experience

- Research, survey, in-depth interview in Myanmar, East Timor, Nepal
- STATA, SPSS
- Reporting, data analysis and presentation
- High-level management and leadership skills
- Technical background in peace/conflict resolution and political economy
- Aid program management and review
- MEAL including Theory of Change design and oversight

Education, achievements and awards

- Master of Peace and Conflict Studies, Uppsala Universitet, 2018
- Medalha Solidaridade of Timor-Leste 2010
- Master of Political Economy, University of Sydney, 2010
- Bachelor of International Studies, UNSW, 2007
- Licence III – la Sorbonne Paris IV, France, 2007

Summary of career history

DATE	POSITION	ORGANISATION
June 2018 – Current	Project Officer (S33)	11Engineer Regiment, Australia
June 2017 – Jan 2018	Policy Officer	Governance Facility, Nepal
Aug 2016 – Jun 2018	Master of Peace and Conflict Studies	Uppsala Universitet, Sweden
Jun 2016 – Aug 2016	Works Officer/PNGDF mentor	Australian Defence Force
Mar 2014 – Jun 2016	Business Development Senior Associate	Palladium, Brisbane/Asia Pacific
Feb 2013 – Aug 2016	Lieutenant	Australian Army Reserves
Mar 2012 - Aug 2012	Adviser	Scipio Services Thailand/Myanmar
Sep 2010 – Dec 2012	Project Manager, Dili City of Peace Campaign	Presidency of Timor-Leste
Dec 2009 – Jul 2010	Research Assistant, Global Peace Index	Institute for Economics and Peace, Sydney
Feb 2009 – Jun 2010	Master of Political Economy	University of Sydney
Jun 2008 – Dec 2008	Public Servant	Australian Dept, Immigration and Citizenship
Nov 2007 – Feb 2008	Research Intern	United Nations Education Science and Culture Organisation (UNESCO)

Professional experience

*POLICY OFFICER – Governance Facility, Nepal, DfID, DANIDA, SDC
June 2017 – January 2018*

As an International Intern – Policy Officer my main duties include: monitoring and analysis; applied research in field locations; and institutional networking and coordination. This role focuses on research and in particular the peace building component of the NGF, including conflict analysis, early warning reporting and conflict sensitive programming.

Key responsibilities and achievements:

- Program management and technical contribution to the GoN-led Nepal National Governance Survey of 10,000 respondents
- Political Economy Analysis of Migrant Workers in Nepal
- White paper and scenario analysis developed on Province 2 (Madhes).
- PDIA approach introduced in depth with Nepalgunj based NGO partner

*WORKS OFFICER – 3 Combat Engineer Regiment, Exercise Puk Puk, Lae, Papua New Guinea
June 2016 – August 2016*

I commanded a 12-person works team of senior Australian, British and PNG Defence Force construction management, survey, mapping and drafting professionals. I conducted extensive stakeholder analysis and concurrently oversaw works tasks including sub-contracting of renovations of key PNGDF infrastructure, future planning and scoping/feasibility studies for ADF and PNGDF.

Key responsibilities and achievements:

- Recommendations from my stakeholder analysis were implemented in expanding the PNGDF Works Section
- Successful project management of an AUD \$400,000 construction project.

*BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SENIOR ASSOCIATE – Palladium (previously GRM International)
March 2014 – June 2016*

As Palladium's Business Development Senior Associate I wrote tenders for DFAT, DFID and EC contracts; developed a range of contacts with private, governmental and NGO stakeholder; and performed quality assurance on governance tenders.

Key responsibilities and achievements

- Thematic research and practical application in governance practice area
- In depth knowledge of DFAT and other donor programme activities throughout South East Asia and the Pacific
- Focus on Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and Myanmar.

*PRIVATE ADVISER - Scipio Services, Yangon/Bangkok
March - August 2012*

Scipio Services was a start-up company offering real estate services in Yangon. I advised the owners from inception progressing including meeting regulatory requirements, business planning and development of initial offerings.

Key responsibilities and achievements

- Established networks with relevant institutions and businesses in both Yangon and Bangkok
- Coordinated the regulatory and incorporation process

PROJECT DIRECTOR, Dili City of Peace Campaign, Presidency of Timor-Leste

September 2010 - March 2012

President José Ramos-Horta's office in East Timor ran a series of sporting events to consolidate the fragile peace in Timor from 2009. I worked initially as Media Liaison Officer before taking on the role of Project Manager for the 2011 Dili Marathon and 2011 New York City Marathon Projects.

Key responsibilities and achievements

- Managed all aspects of the marathon with a team of four foreign and five local full-time staff, as well as over 40 short-term staff at the event itself.
- Took on a mentoring role and developed capacity with the national staff member who succeeded me in coordinating the 2012 Dili Marathon
- Wrote a detailed annual report in turn securing funding for the 2012 marathon.
- Strategically shifted the focus of the event by realigning the objective to focus on peace, substantially increasing participation, including among Timorese. The success of the 2011 Dili Marathon became the paradigm for future marathons.
- Particular focus on social inclusion, ensuring diverse participation across gender, disability, rural-district and low-income riders/runners.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT Institute of Economics and Peace, Sydney
December 2009 – July 2010

The Institute of Economics and Peace is a think-tank best known for the annual Global Peace Index. Extended from a three-month internship to a 12-month contract.

Key responsibilities and achievements

- Created an index of corporations ranked according to governance, branding, size and corporate philanthropy. The top-ranked companies became targets for sponsorship approaches.
- Developed conclusions and recommendations on analysis from the 2010 Global Peace Index. My work was subsequently incorporated into the Annual Report.

POLICY AND RESEARCH INTERN UNESCO Paris, France
December 2007 – March 2008

During a four-month internship with UNESCO, my work in two of the organisation's three divisions (Education and Science), led to the extension of my internship, publication of work on which I was a contributor and an ongoing network in the UN.

Key responsibilities and achievements

- Contributed to the organisation of the Forum on Higher Education, Research and Knowledge involving over 100 delegates from 24 countries

- Worked in both French and English
 - Involved in producing the final report of the findings from the forum, see: <http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0018/001830/183071E.pdf>
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Summary of service activities

*LIEUTENANT, 104 Const Sqn, Ipswich, QLD
Feb 2013 – present*

I graduated as a Lieutenant in February 2015 after two years of officer training. I have been posted in the Royal Australian Engineers as a Troop Commander.

Key responsibilities and achievements

- Troop commander appointment straight out of graduation
 - Multiple short-term training and consultancy inputs
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Referees

Available on request

Languages

English	Native
French	Fluent
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Hindi/Urdu	Basic