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Position Senior-Advisor Information and Communication Technologies for

Development/Project Manager International Cooperation

Projects

KEY QUALIFICATIONS/FIELD OF EXPERTISE

Information and Communication Technologies for Development (ICT4D)

• Interdisciplinary research and education for Sustainable Development

Community Service Learning & ICT

• Project Management of International Cooperation in Higher Education

SUMMARY OF WORK EXPERIENCE

Anna Bon, PhD, is an expert in ICT for Development and the Digital Society in the Global South. She is the coordinator of a research and educational program: "W4RA --"Web Alliance for Regreening in Africa". This program brings together international development projects, community service learning and field-based research for Sustainable Development. In the framework of W4RA Anna Bon coordinates two master courses: "ICT4D" and the collaborative online international course "ICT4D in the Field". She is the research supervisor for master students Information Sciences, Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence, in projects related to Digital Technologies in and for the Global South. Since 2006, as a senior staff member for the Centre for International Cooperation, Anna Bon has been managing large international development projects with networks of partner organizations in African, Asian, Latin American and European countries. She is a qualified academic lecturer in the interdisciplinary field of ICT for Development. Since 2024 she coordinates the EURIDICE project, in a consortium of organizations from 13 countries in Europe, Africa and Asia.

PROJECTS

West Africa - multi-country

• W4RA - Web Alliance for Regreening in Africa in Ghana, Mali and Burkina Faso 2016-ongoing

Europe - multi-country

<u>EURIDICE</u> - EURopean Inclusive education for Digital society, social Innovation and global
CitizEnship Funded by the European Commission in the Framework of Digital Europe
2024-2027

Burkina Faso

• SUMBALA - Sustainable women's entrepreneurship to build innovative local food systems 2019 - 2024

Mali

 Training on agro-ecological food systems and value networks for women and youth entrepreneurship Mali

2019 - 2024

Ghana

 Particpant and guest researcher in Tiballi - Community-centered AI and ICT education for Sustainable Development – Ghana

2018 - ongoing

Malaysia

 Lecturer in Community-centered education in ICT for Development 2018-2022

TEACHING

Anna is a qualified lecturer and coordinates the elective master courses "ICT4D "and "ICT4D in the Field".

Anna is a core member of the working group that designs and implements a new curriculum for the European Master "Digital Society and Global Citizenship" as part of the EU funded EURIDICE project. Since 2018, she supervises ICT4D related master research projects for students Information Science, Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence.

RESEARCH

Anna is coordinator of the interdisciplinary research program W4RA. She contributes with her research activities to the VU Network Institute, the Amsterdam Sustainability Institute and the Amsterdam Law and Technology Institute. She signed the Vienna Manifesto on Digital Humanism and is a contributor to the international <u>DigHum initiative</u>. She was member of the organization team of ACM Web Science Conference in 2018 and 2022. She organizes and chairs at VU the annual International Symposium "<u>Perspectives on ICT4D</u>". She is a guest lecturer at the Centre for AI and Machine Learning of the TU Wien, the University of Malaysia Sarawak and the University for Development Studies in Ghana.

PUBLICATIONS

View Anna Bon's publications at <u>VU Research Portal</u>.