

## CV FATMA S. TWAHIR

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**Objective:** To obtain employment/ consultancy in opportunities of growth and personal development.

### OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### - 01/ 2023- to date **African Site Managers Network – Africa - Chairperson**

Chairperson: Network leadership including drawing up strategy documents for lobbying and fundraising; planning of the network's activities; ensuring human and technical resources for its function and in implementing its activities, supervising and leading discussions at meetings and representing African World heritage issues in different forums. Such as World Heritage Site Managers Forum from 10-18 September in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and 'We are Site Managers Symposium' from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> March in Penang, Malaysia

#### - 02/ 2022- 12/2022 **ICCROM - Rome, Italy - Training Consultant**

Scientific Coordinator: Capacity Building in Risk Management and Protection Systems in Africa while overseeing key experts and other stakeholders using educational tools for online sessions for representatives from 28 African countries with a focus towards the generation of draft risk management plans for 6 pilot sites in Africa. Progress reports indicating levels of project completion were submitted to UNESCO, ICCROM and other supporting agencies.

Resource person: World Heritage Management: People Nature Culture Course from 1 to 12 August 2022 in the Republic of Korea.

Trainee as Trainers: World Heritage Management: People Nature Culture Course from 1 to 8 October 2023 in Penang, Malaysia

#### - 07/ 2008- to date - **National Museums of Kenya - Mombasa - Architect / Principal Curator, Fort Jesus World Heritage Site**

Project Assistant: Climate Action and Disaster Risk Management for Cultural Heritage Sites along the Coast of Kenya; funded by The British Council. Training, development of Disaster Risk Management Plans and Initiation of Community Emergency/ Adaptation groups in collaboration with stakeholders.

Principal Curator: Management of Fort Jesus World Heritage Site and adjacent sites of Jumba, Shimoni, Rabai and Mama Ngina. I have overseen the implementation of the

rehabilitation of the First Church built by Dr. Krapf, Rebmann's cottage and at a later phase Dr. Krapf's residence, oversight of the Fort Jesus and Vasco da Gama Sea walls in collaboration with donor agencies, professionals and community.

Head MOTCO: Control of development within the Mombasa Old Town Conservation Area, buffer zone to Fort Jesus World Heritage Site.

Manager Mama Ngina Heritage Site: Management and development control of Mama Ngina Heritage Site, Mombasa.

Architect; Site and Monument: Rehabilitation and re-use of old colonial building and conversion into Slavery Museum, Shimoni and DC building reused into a Library in Malindi.

- **01/ 2010 to 05/ 2010 - United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN Habitat), Urban Environmental Planning and Design Branch (UEPB)  
Nairobi, Kenya**

Project Co-ordinator: Cities in Climate Change Initiative; based the local authority thereby strengthening their capacities to cope with climate change through awareness, advocacy, and youth training.

- **9/ 2008 to 11/ 2009 - United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN Habitat) - Regional Office for Africa and the Arab States (ROAAS) - Nairobi, Kenya**

Programme Co-ordinator: Mombasa Slum Upgrading Programme demonstrating community-led delivery approaches of priority basic services of water and sanitation at Ziwa la Ng'ombe and Tudor Municipal Estates in cooperation with relevant stakeholders.

- **5/ 2005 to date - NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment/ Audit Lead Expert**

Registered as a Lead Environmental Expert by National Environment Management Authority of Kenya to undertake environment consultancy (Impact assessment, audits, etc) countrywide. These are then submitted to the NEMA for assessment and approval for project initiation.

- **5/ 2002 to 5/2005 - East African Marine & Environmental Management Co. - Mombasa, Kenya**

Research and Development: Head / Environmental Engineer: working at a MARPOL waste reception facility that handles oily waste, sewage and garbage as per annexes I, IV and V of the IMO convention respectively.

- **1/ 1999 to 12/1999 - Harish V Bhatt Architect - Mombasa, Kenya**

Architect: Designing and drafting working drawing for municipal approval and construction requirements.

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- 9/2021 - James Cook University - Online
- Certificate course: Climate Vulnerability Index: a systematic tool to assess climate change risk to World Heritage.
- 9/2016 - Ritsumeikan University - Kyoto, Japan
- Certificate course: Disaster Risk Management of Cultural Heritage
- 3/2016 -4/2016 - ICCROM - Rome, Italy
- Certificate course: Conservation of Built Heritage
- 4/2004-3/2005- Kenya Institute of Management - Mombasa, Kenya - Diploma: Business Management
- 9/2000-12/2001- Kungl Tekniska Hogskolan - Stockholm, Sweden - MSc. Environmental Engineering and Sustainable Infrastructure
- 2/1993-5/1998 - National College of Arts - Lahore, Pakistan - Bachelor of Architecture.

## REFERENCES

- Mr. Athman Lali Omar, Cultural Exchange Director; Organisation for Intercultural Education; [athman.lali.omar@afs.org](mailto:athman.lali.omar@afs.org)
- Mahmoud M. Noor, Youth Mentor and Director; Swahilipot Hub Foundation; [mamoods21@gmail.com](mailto:mamoods21@gmail.com)