

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Stefania Sellitti



DESIRED POSITION

Consultant ACRES Project

WORK EXPERIENCE

October 2023 - ongoing

Innovation and Knowledge Senior Specialist

IFAD

Rome (Italy)

- Revision of project designs in Latin America
- Revision of supervision and completion reports
- Contribution to the development of a new Knowledge Management Strategy in Latin America
- Development and Management of LAC Knowledge Management Action Plan

July 2021 - January 2024

Project Coordinator and Consultant in Monitoring and Evaluation

CGIAR

Rome (Home-Based from Portugal)

- Main evaluation analyst for the Evaluation of Genebank CGIAR Platform
- Operational support and co-management of the evaluation
- Coordination of activities
- Survey design, data analysis, writing of reports and knowledge management material
- Data manager and data analyst for the evaluation of the CGIAR Big Data Platform in Agriculture
- Project coordinator for the development of guidelines to evaluate quality of science in the CGIAR

October 2022 - January 2023

Project Coordinator

NOVAFRICA

Guinea Bissau

- Management of the team and of the workload
- Preparation of material for a health campaign
- Support to the organization of the field trip
- Data quality check and analyses

December 2021 - present

Founder and Leader

Green Drops

Italy

- Design of activities to raise awareness about SDGs in Italian High Schools
- Management of contacts with schools
- Management of a team of 10 volunteers

Sept 2020 - present	Teaching Assistant NOVA School of Business and Economics Rua da Holanda, Carcavelos (Portugal) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teaching of STATA modules and Global Business and Environment - Grader of Empirical Methods for Finance, International Migrations, - Doing Business in Emerging Markets and Economics of Health Systems
Oct 2019 - Feb 2020	Data manager and Monitoring and Evaluation specialist Plan Eval Candido Espinheira 396, Sao Paulo SP (Brazil) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Responsible for the monitoring and management of four data collections in Brazil - Design of surveys in Kobotoolbox - Data cleaning and analysis through STATA and Excel
Jul 2018 - Oct 2019	Project Manager and Research fellow The Crop Trust and the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT) Km 17 Recta Cali-Palmira, Palmira (Colombia) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluation of the work of CIAT's Genebank in Colombia - Design and management of an entire research project - Monitoring and Evaluation of development projects in Rwanda - Engagement of stakeholders and communication - Writing of reports and presentations at international conferences
Mar 2017 - Jul 2017	Blue book trainee European Commission - DG Agriculture and Rural Development Rue de la Loi 130, Bruxelles (Belgium) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitoring and evaluation of the Common Agriculture Policy through indices calculation - Update of country fact-sheets and of indicators for measuring interactions between agriculture and the environment
Jun 2016 - Mar 2017	Visiting researcher International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT) Km 17 Recta Cali-Palmira, Palmira (Colombia) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitoring and evaluation of Fair Trade certification in Latin America - Writing of reports and blog-posts in English and Spanish - Field work management in Peru
Mar 2015 - Jun 2015	International volunteer in Teaching and Raising Awareness Honduras Child Alliance El Porvenir(Honduras) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organization of English classes for children and adults - Cooperation to projects to raise awareness on environmental problems - Cooperation to a project regarding First Aid practices - Teaching of English to kids aged 6 to 12 and to adults

EDUCATION

2021 - present	Bachelor in Nutrition and Food Science Online University of San Raffaele, Rome (Italy)
2015-2017	Master in Development Economics NOVA School of Business and Economics, Lisbon (Portugal)
2013-2014	Erasmus program University of Bremen, Bremen (Germany)

LANGUAGES

Mother tongue(s) Italian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
Spanish	C2	C2	C2	C1	C1
English (TOEFL: 104)	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
German (Goethe Zertifikat B2)	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2
Portuguese	C1	C1	B2	B2	B2
French	A2	A2	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2: Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference (CEF) level

Communication skills

I have excellent written and verbal communication abilities. As I presented my researches at several international conferences, I learnt to communicate in a very effective way, to engage the public and to be straight to the point. I am able to work in a team and to create a pleasant environment with my colleagues. I lived, studied and worked in 8 different countries, so I am able to relate easily with people with different backgrounds. The experience at the European Commission taught me to communicate in a diplomatic way and to relate with policy makers.

Organizational/managerial skills

Through my experiences as researcher, I developed strong abilities to work with little supervision and to set priorities. As data manager at Plan Eval, I learnt to multi-task, as I worked on several projects at the same time, being able to meet all deadlines. As volunteer at AFS I organized several promotional events. At the University of Trento I have been part of the organizational team of the Universiadi 2013. While at the European Commission, I volunteered to organize the job fair for the trainees of EU institutions. I contacted NGOs and public institutions potentially interested in the event and coordinated a team of seven people.

Digital competences

Office package (Advanced), STATA (Advanced), R, CSPro e Kobotoolbox (Intermediate).

Interests and hobbies

Reading. Travelling. Dancing salsa. Doing sport, especially swimming and taekwondo. Playing piano and ukulele and listening to music. Cooking. Interest in nutrition.

Volunteer work

Founder of the association of clowntherapy "6 con noi". Member of AFS Intercultura. Former member of EU Can Aid. Former member of Amigos de Yurumanguí. Organization of classes of Italian at the EU Commission.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Other courses

Ecology, Food Chemistry, Science of Nutrition; University of Urbino Carlo Bo, Italy.
Introduction to Social Innovation; University of Cape Town, Online.
Project Management for Development; Inter-American Development Bank, Online.
Urban Agriculture; Hands and Crops, Colombia.
EU Project Management; Italian-Belgian chamber of commerce, Belgium.

Publications

Sellitti, S., Vaiknoras, K., Smale, M., Jamora, N., Andrade, R., Wenzl, P., Labarta, R. (2020). The contribution of the CIAT genebank to the development of iron-biofortified bean varieties and well-being of farm households in Rwanda. Food Security.

Díaz, M. F., Charry, A., Sellitti, S., Ruzzante, M., Enciso, K., Burkart, S. (2020). Psychological Factors Influencing Pro-environmental Behavior in Developing Countries: Evidence From Colombian and Nicaraguan Students. Frontiers in psychology, 11.

Working papers Sellitti, S.; Del Rio, M.; Cordoba, D.; Vicente, P.; Lundy, M.; Gonzalez, C., 2021. "Can Fair Trade certification improve farmworkers' welfare and empowerment? Evidence from Nicaragua and Brazil"; ready to be submitted

Honors and awards Placed first at "Hack EU" with a policy on gender equality in the STEM sector.
Placed first at "Allora Crealo", a startup contest.
Merit Scholarship of the University of Trento.