CURRICULUM VITAE



1. PERSONAL DATA

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2. ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

PhD (Fish Ecology), Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherland (2007) M.Sc. (Marine Biology – Seagrass Ecology), UDSM, Tanzania (2000) B.Sc. Gen. (Marine Biology and Microbiology), UDSM, Tanzania (1995)

3. **SPECIALIZATION:** Marine (Seagrass, Mangrove and Fish) Ecology, Estuarine Ecology, Aquatic Resources and Management, Biodiversity Assessment, Trophic Relationships, Stable Isotope Studies.

4. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

| Dates | Post | Employer |
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| 2000 – 2007 | Assistant Lecturer | University of Dar es Salaam |
| 2007 to date | Lecturer | University of Dar es Salaam |

5. LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- Project Coordinator. IOC Prawn Biodiversity Project (UDSM part). June 2017 to date.
- Lead Expert Review of the National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (2015 2020) – Division of Environment. Vice President's Office, URT. 137p. ISBN: 978 - 9987- 807- 01- 7
- Chairperson Board of Trustees, Marine Parks and Reserves Unit Tanzania (2011 - 2014).
- Co-founder and Chairperson Board of Directors, Tumaini la Maisha Tanzania (an NGO dedicated to supporting children with cancers in Tanzania) (2011 to date).
- Head, Department of Aquatic Environment and Conservation (2007 2009).

6. MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION:

- West Indian Ocean Marine Scientists Association (WIOMSA) 1996 to date
- Tanzania Biodiversity Information Facility (TANBIF) Electronic Catalogue of Known Species (ECAT) – to date.
- The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) 2005
- Marine Action Conservation of Tanzania (MACT) 1998

7. AWARDS AND GRANTS

- Marine Research Grant (MARG I) Programme Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA) – 2015
- Marine Research Grant (MARG I) Programme Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA) – 2008
- Marine Research Grant (MARG III) Programme Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA) - 2006
- NUFFIC-MHO-ENVIRONS PhD research funding 2001- 2006
- UNESCO-LOREAL for Women in Science Fellowship 2004
- Sida-SAREC Marine Bilateral Programme MSc research funding -1996 1999

8. SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Mangora M, Lugendo BR, Shalli MS, Semesi IS, (2016). Mangroves of Tanzania. In Bosire J. O., Mangora M. M., Bandeira S., Rajkaran A., Ratsimbazafy R., Appadoo C. and Kairo J. G. (eds.). Mangroves of the Western Indian Ocean: Status and Management. pp. 33-49. WIOMSA, Zanzibar Town. ISBN 978-9987-9559-4-7
- Lugendo BR (2015). Mangroves, Salt Marshes, Seagrass Beds. In Paula J. (ed.). UNEP-Nairobi Convention and WIOMSA. The Regional State of the Coast Report: Western Indian Ocean. Pp. 53 -69. UNEP and WIOMSA, Nairobi, Kenya. ISBN 978-9987-9559-7-8
- Kimirei IA, Igulu MM, Semba M, Lugendo BR (2015). Small estuarine and non-estuarine mangrove ecosystems of Tanzania: overlooked coastal habitats? In Salif Diop, Peter Scheren, John Ferdinand Machiwa (eds.). Estuaries: A Lifeline of Ecosystem Services in the Western Indian Ocean. Pp. 209-226. Springer International Publishing. ISBN 978-319-25370-1
- Gullstrom M., Dorenbosch M., Lugendo BR., Mwandya AW., Mgaya YD., and Berkstrom C. 2012. Biological Connectivity and Nursery Function of Shallow-Water Habitats in Chwaka Bay. In de la Torre-Castro, M. and TJ. Lyimo (eds.). People, Nature and Research in Chwaka Bay, Zanzibar, Tanzania. Pp. 175-192. WIOMSA, Zanzibar Town. ISBN 978- 9987-9559-1-6
- Lugendo BR, Mgaya YD & Semesi AK. 1999. The seagrass and associated macroalgae at selected beaches along Dar es Salaam coast. In: Richmond, M.D. and Francis, J. (Editors). Marine Science Development in Tanzania and Eastern Africa. Proceedings of the 20th Anniversary Conference on Advances inn Marine Science in Tanzania. 28 June 1 July 1999, Zanzibar, Tanzania, 359 373 pp.

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