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CURRICULUM VITAE

NAME	WILLIAM KINGSMILL
NATIONALITY	British
LANGUAGES	English (mother tongue), French (transactional)

William Kingsmill is a Principal at **The Policy Practice** where he specializes in development policy, public policy making, political economy analysis (PEA), growth and private sector development, including agriculture and extractive industries, public administration reform, and small island states. He has applied PEA in the numerous countries and sectors to understand better the opportunities and blockages to change and to improve programming. He has lead training workshops on applied PEA for organisations including Transparency International, the Swiss Government and the Hague Academy for Local Governance.

Previously he was Senior Governance Advisor to Obiang Ekwesili, Vice President for the Africa Region, at the **World Bank**. His work at the Bank focused on two major themes: political economy and governance issues in resource rich economies (the EITI++ agenda); and the role of China in Africa.

Prior to working in the Bank, he was Director for Policy and Research at the UK's then **Department for International Development** (DFID), and head of the Growth and Investment Group. From 2003-05 he was Country Director for DFID in Nigeria, where he led one of the first 'drivers of change' analyses in DFID and subsequently redesigned the programme, including through the design of what was then a new 'issues-based approach'. He was Senior Economic Adviser for DFID and the FCO in the **Eastern Caribbean** 1996-99, based in Barbados. He worked for the **European Commission** in Brussels on the design and implementation of the new European-Mediterranean Partnership 1994-96, involving countries in N Africa and the Middle East. From 1983-85 William worked for the **Botswana Government** the Ministry of Mineral Resources and Water Affairs. He was a **VSO** in Papua New Guinea 1978-79.

EXPERTISE

William is a successful analyst, and previously a leader and senior manager, and has a proven track record of delivering development results through analysis, advocacy and influence, and through delivery of policy, programmes and projects. In particular, he has the following strengths:

- **Policy analyst** with exceptional experience in policy cycle management including development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, with a strong focus on evidence-based approaches. Especial expertise in: political economy, 'drivers of change', transparency and accountability, and governance; economics, in particular related to growth, private sector development and 'making markets work', fiscal policy framing and options; the role of extractive industries in development; business partnerships and sustainable business practices for development; public administration reform.

- **Particular knowledge of Africa the Caribbean and Pacific**, including living and working in Barbados, Botswana, Kenya, Nigeria, and Papua New Guinea. Assignments in the past few years have included working in or on the East Caribbean, Ethiopia, Ghana, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Malawi, Nigeria, Palestine, Papua New Guinea, Somaliland, South Africa, Tanzania, Tunisia, and Zambia.

EDUCATION

MA Public and Industrial Economics, University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne
BA Economics, Northumbria University

EMPLOYMENT

2011 -	Principal, The Policy Practice Ltd
2009-2011	Senior Governance Adviser, Office of the Vice President, Africa Region World Bank, Washington, DC, USA
2008 - 2009	Director, Policy and Research Division, DFID, London (G3)
2006 - 2008	Head, Growth and Investment Group, Policy and Research Division DFID, London (G5)
2003 - 2006	Head DFID, Nigeria (G5)
2001-2003	Head, Private Sector Policy Department, DFID, London (G5) and previously Deputy Head

SELECTED ASSIGNMENTS, RECENT REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS

‘Breakpoint Review of St Helena Economic Development Programme (EDIP)’
Team Lead, with Yusaf Samiullah. For FCDO. September 2022.

‘Demography Political Economy Analysis for Nigeria’
Team member. Team led by Gareth Williams and Olly Owen. With DAI Global. For FCDO. September 2022.

‘Inclusive Governance and Core State Functions in Somaliland’
With Alex Duncan (Team Lead), Mohammed Herssi and Sahhra Hassan. For a donor consortium including FCDO. July 2022.

‘National Political Economy Analysis for Five Countries in the Eastern Caribbean Area’
With Sarah Holloway and Chantal Toby. For UNICEF Eastern Caribbean Area. November 2021.

‘Papua New Guinea Agriculture Review’
Team Lead, with James Keeley. For the Australian government. December 2021.

‘Political Economy Analysis for the Lebanon Economic Reform and Infrastructure Investment Technical Assistance Facility (LERII-TAF)’
With Neil McCulloch and Mounir Mahmalat. For DFID’s LERII-TAF programme. April 2020.

‘Stakeholder Analysis, Somaliland Importers and Traders’
With Mohamed Herssi. For DFID’s Prosperity from Revenue Programme (PROFR). October 2019.

‘Australia-Papua New Guinea Economic Partnership Review’
With Neil McCulloch. For the Australian Government. October 2019.

‘A study of the political economy of the Tunisian agricultural sector: a first look’
Report for the Netherlands Government. August 2019.

‘Symposium on Trends and Events in the Horn of Africa: Implications for Regional Economic Integration and Development’
Rapporteur. The Policy Practice and Rift Valley Institute. For DFID. June 2019

‘Joint Review of Somaliland Development Fund’
With Alex Duncan, Mohamed Herssi, Ayan Yusuf. December 2018.

‘Political Economy Analysis of Reform in Jordan’
With Noor Razzaz. Report for UK Government. July 2018.

‘Political Economy Analysis of Business Environment Reform’
With Alex Duncan. Report for UK Government Global Prosperity Fund. February 2018.

‘Political Economy Analysis of State Fiscal Management and Accountability in Nigeria’
With Gareth Williams. For the World Bank. October 2017.

‘Business Environment Diagnostic Review and Stakeholder Engagement Report: Occupied Palestinian Territories.’
Team leader. Report for DFID’s Business Environment Reform Facility. September 2016.

Learning, Evidencing and Advocacy Programme (LEAP), Nigeria
Part of the public-sector accountability and governance programme, PERL.
Adviser, April 2016 – September 2018

‘Political Economy Analysis: Western Region Coastal Foundation, Ghana.’
Design of political economy analysis framework for programme being implemented by DAI for DFID.
Ibrahim-Tanko Amidu and William Kingsmill. September 2015.

‘Political Economy Analysis: Design of Southern Africa Regional Trade Programme.’
PEA of trade in Zambia and Malawi as part of design for new programme. Assignment with SAANA for DFID
Team member. March - October 2015.

Internal Annual Review, Federal Public Administration Reform Programme (FEPAR) Nigeria, for ATOS, William Kingsmill and Alex Duncan. July 2015.

‘Design of Public Service Performance Programme, Zambia.’
Design of new approach to public service reform. Assignment with DAI for DFID.
Team member. December 2014 - March 2015.

‘Design of Public Sector Accountability and Governance Programme, Nigeria’
Design of public service accountability and governance programme, for DFID.
Team member. November 2014.

‘Review of Federal Public Administration Reform Programme (FEPAR), Nigeria.’
Report to DFID.

William Kingsmill and Quindaline Eneh, August 2014.

Contributed political economy analysis to design and Business Case for 'Commercial Justice and Law Programme', CLJP (subsequently renamed Legal Advisory Support for Economic Reform, LASER) for LDP for DFID. January 2014.

'Palestine Market Development Programme: A Political Economy Analysis'
Report to DAI for DFID. William Kingsmill. January 2014

'Report on Performance Improvement Plan for Federal Public Administration Reform Programme (FEPAR), Nigeria'
Report to DFID. William Kingsmill. January 2014

'The Political Economy of Food Trade Markets in East and Southern Africa'
Contribution to DAI Inception Report to DFID. William Kingsmill, September 2013

'Review of Federal Public Administration Reform Programme, Nigeria.'
Report to DFID. William Kingsmill and Quindaline Eneh. August 2013.

'CAADP - Sustaining the Momentum Into the Next Decade: Options for Development Partner Support.'
Report to World Bank. William Kingsmill. June 2013.

'A Framework for Extractive Industries Governance Assessment in the Philippines' Presentation prepared for the World Bank for a 'Consultation on Extractives for Development: Leveraging Natural Resource Wealth for Diversified and Inclusive Growth - Manila, Philippines.'
William Kingsmill. May 2013.

'Framework for Extractive Industries Governance Assessment (FEIGA)'. Report prepared for the World Bank Institute. William Kingsmill and Gareth Williams. April 2013.

'Political Economy Analysis of the Electricity Sector in Kenya and Ethiopia'. Contribution to Nexant Report for USAID. William Kingsmill. February 2013.

'The Political Economy of Monitoring and Evaluation Systems at Federal Level and in Selected Nigerian States.' Report to DFID. William Kingsmill and Gareth Williams. January 2013.

'Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP): Sustaining the Momentum Into the Next Decade.' Report for NEPAD/NPCA, funded by CAADP Multi-Donor Trust Fund. December 2012.

'Assessment of The Political Economy of Low Cost Private Primary Education, Lagos'.
Report to DFID. William Kingsmill, Victor Adetula, Alex Duncan. April 2012.

'Political economy of trade policy in Nigeria'.
Report to DFID. Gareth Williams, Sam Unom, William Kingsmill. March 2012.

'Mid Term Review of the Multi Donor Trust Fund supporting the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Program (CAADP).'
Report for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of the Netherlands and development partners. William Kingsmill, Stephen Tembo and Amdissa Teshome. November 2011.

'Assessment of the Effectiveness of the African Development Bank.'
Report for AusAID, Government of Australia. William Kingsmill. August 2011.

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