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PERSONAL DATA

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Ample trajectory within the agricultural sector at national and Central American levels has allowed a clear vision of the problems and challenges of the rural sector in our countries, as well as their potentialities and comparative advantages to achieve development. This experience has facilitated the design of a Mid Term Strategic Plan to modernize the public agricultural sector and the rural area in Honduras, establishing the required policies and instruments to better support the strategic axis production of basic commodities. The poles for development have been established within the frame of this Plan with the objective of incrementing competitiveness across a range of agricultural commodities for export within the context of the Free Trade Agreements subscribed during the present administration of President Manuel Zelaya Rosales.

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The challenges that accompany the development of the field, fundamented on the concept of an enhanced agriculture, are topics of competence within the Strategic Plan mentioned earlier where subsistence agriculture is specially addressed, from small farms to big agricultural companies; this policy, which is differentiated by producer strata, demands efficient private and public programs and services, finance, technical assistance, agricultural sanitation, irrigation, commercialization, agricultural insurance and more, needed for production stimulus. In he same manner, institutional development has been a component which has been given primary attention to contribute to the alignment of these programs and services with the necessary instruments in the rural area.

The modern world is characterized by its dynamics, the agricultural markets and prices vary constantly. The use of information and the newest clean Technologies are in demand for more and more by the producers making it a need to keep up to date technical charts for which a Program about knowledge, science, and agricultural technology was designed and which has facilitated forming human resources in this public sector.

Beside the previous, within the execution of the Plan considerations have been given to the implications the free trade policies have on the rural and agricultural sector, the effects of climatic changes, agricultures new role in the production of bio-fuels and the possible effects on food security of the people.

PROFESSIONAL FORMATION

Current Degree: **AGRONOMICAL ENGINEER,**
*Centro Universitario Regional del Litoral Atlántico, (CURLA),
Honduras. 1975*

Specialization: **MASTER IN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMY**
Mississippi State University, Miss. USA. 1983

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WORK EXPERIENCE

2009.

Secretary of Agriculture and Livestock, current position and whose primary function is based on the implementation of the Agricultural and Rural Development Policy of the Government of Honduras, fundamented on the strategies for food security, productive reconversion and the reduction of poverty.

2003-2005.

Country Manager for the Farmer to Farmer Winrock International Program. Coordinated external cooperation for Winrock International towards different institutions and public and private development programs of Honduras.

1999-2002.

National Coordinator for the MITCH Rehabilitation Program (PROREMI). This Program was financed through resources from the United States Department of Agricultural (USDA), and manager by IICA, it was oriented towards rehabilitating the areas and agricultural farms damaged by the effects of the MITCH Tropical Storm and Hurricane, which caused many losses in the rural agro and infrastructure of approximately 2000 million dollars.

1998-1999.

General Director for the National Agropecuarian Sanitation Service (SENASA of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock. Implemented the agropecuarian sanitation policy and the Phytozoosanitary Law of the country in areas such as; epidemiological surveillance, agricultural quarantine, prevention and control of endemic and exotic diseases and plagues, and sanitation campaigns.

1996-1998.

Technical Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture and Livestock. Provided support to the secretarial agenda, coordinated activities with the General Directors and the Project Directors, followed up and monitored specific activities.

1994-1996.

Chief of the Executing Unit and the Program for Support of Small Producers (APPA – FHIS) of the Honduran Social Investment Fund. Coordination and support to small producers of scarce economic resources organized within a social network for the implementation of small districts for micro irrigation.

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1993-1994.

Responsible for Managing the Occupational Formation Projects consisting of Credit for Micro businesses belonging to women benefiting from the Educational Bonus country wide. Provided funding for micro businesses, through PDO´s and NGO´s, for single mother families; and training and technical assistance for the development of production projects to generate household income.

1992-1994.

Advisor for Production Projects of the Family Assigning Program, PRAF with UNDP resources.

1990-1992.

Specialist in Small Businesses for the Improved Land Use and Land Productivity Project (LUPE) of the Secretariat of Natural Resources. Prepared feasibility studies and project profiles for small slope agriculture groups and targeted financial resources for their implementation.

1989-1990.

Coordinator for the Rural Technologies Project (PTR) in Danli, El Paraíso, Honduras. Provided support to small producers in developing feasibility studies to promote agricultural and non-agricultural micro businesses through credit and technical assistance for the usage of proper technologies.

1987-1988.

Agricultural Economist for the Rural Technologies Project, PTR/CDI. Responsible for market studies of different agricultural commodities and the economic analysis of agricultural technologies for small producers.

1987-1987.

Responsible of the technical follow-up of the Post Crop Project of the Direction of Agriculture of the Secretariat of Natural Resources. Economic and profit margin analysis of projects using improved technologies, demand analysis, training and supervision of artisan processes for the fabrication of equipment and outfits.

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1986-1987.

Supervisor of Agricultural Extension of the Central Region Agricultural Office of the Natural Resources Management Project. Supervision of activities of 5 agencies belonging to the extension project.

1986-1986.

Assistant to the Regional Planning Department of the Northeastern Region Agricultural Office in Olancho, Honduras. Followed-up and monitored the execution of the Regional Operation Plan and Budget; responsible for writing new projects.

1984-1984.

Responsible for the Economics Unit of the Guayape Project in the Juticalpa region in Olancho, Honduras. Conducted economic analysis and monitoring of the production projects in the Guayape Valley.

1983-1983.

Counterpart for the Agricultural Economics of the Post Crop Project from the Secretariat of Natural Resources. Conducted economic analysis of the storage facilities, metallic silos, and improved barns.

1978-1979.

Regional Chief for the Soy Production and Consumption of the Northwestern Region Agricultural Office of the Secretariat of Natural Resources. Provided technical assistance and funding to small, median, and large producers to plant, consume and market soy beans.

1977-1977.

Supervisor for agricultural extension of the Northwestern Region Agricultural Office of the Secretariat of Natural Resources. Supervised activities in 10 Agricultural Extensions in the Guayape Valley in Olancho, Honduras.

1976-1976.

Assistant for the Agricultural Research program in management of regional crop trials for basic grains and as an agent for agricultural extension on the region of Juticalpa department of Olancho in Honduras.

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CONSULTANCY SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANISMS.

1999.

Consulter for the FAO for the Government of Honduras in the creation of the Manual for “ Generation and Transference of Technology with Slope Producers” .

2002.

Consulter for the Government of Honduras through the Secretariat of Agriculture and Livestock (SAG) to create a document on “ Credit, Irrigation, and Technical Assistance” for small producers.

2003.

Consulter for the FAO on the PACTA Project in estimating profit margins in 27 production activities.

2003.

Deputy Consulter for Geoconsult (Tahal Consulting) in the creation of the Administrative Proposal of the Irrigation District in the Jesús de Otoro Valley in the department of Intibucá, Honduras.

1999-2000.

Private Consulter for the Honduran Social Investment Fund, FHIS with FAO.

1986.

Consulter for the Government of Honduras through the Secretariat of Agriculture and Livestock for the General Agriculture Offices in the creation of the Porcine Cholera Control Project in Honduras.

ROLES IN ACADEMIC FUNCTIONS

1988-1992.

Tutor at the National Autonomous University of Honduras for the Distant Education System of the University.

1985.

Professor at the National School of Agriculture in Catacamas department of Olancho, Honduras, teaching Agricultural Economics.

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OTHER ROLES

- *President Pro Tempore of the Central American Agriculture Council (CAC).*
- *President of the Honduran Agricultural Research Foundation (FHIA).*
- *President of the Board of Directors of the National Agricultural Development Bank (BANADESA).*
- *President of the Board of Directors of the Honduran Forest Development Corporation (COHDEFOR).*
- *Member of the Board of Directors of the Tropical Agricultural Centre for Research and Higher Education (CATIE).*
- *Member of the Board of Directors of the International Regional Committee for Plant and Animal Health (OIRSA).*
- *Member of the Board of Directors of the Honduran Institute of Agricultural Marketing (IHMA).*
- *Member of the Board of Directors of the National Vocational Training Institute (INFOP).*

TRAINING

2003-2004.

Expert on Administrative Management of Projects; Central American Technological University (UNITEC)

2001.

Course on Irrigation Development and Water Management, Republic of Korea.

1995.

Workshop Seminar on Private Consulting and Privatization of the Agricultural Extension Services and Design and Execution Agricultural Policies under the Generation and Transference of Technologies oriented towards participation of the private sector in this activity.

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1988.

Workshop on Food Products Safety, México.

1997.

Workshop Seminar on State Reactivation and Modernization

1996.

Sustainable Agriculture and Animal Reproduction, Cuba.

1996.

Workshop on Hydroponics, Lima, Perú

1983.

Seminar on International Trade, Mississippi State University, USA.

1988.

Mobile Course on Corporate Agricultural Commercialization, Israeli Embassy in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

1997.

Course on Grain Storage at family levels, COSUDE Post Crop Project in Danlí, Honduras.

1985.

Course on Project Planning, Control and Follow-up through the PERT and Critical Route Method and.

1984.

First Seminar on Budgeting for Agropecuarian Businesses, FEPROEXA in San Pedro Sula, Honduras.

1981.

Intensive English Course, Louisiana State University.

1980.

Seminar on Seed Storage. Natural Resources, Comayagua, Honduras.

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1977.

Human Relations and Efficient Communication Course, Dale Carnegie, Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

1977.

Personnel Management, INFOP, Juticalpa, Olancho, Honduras.

1997.

Integral Training on Agropecuarian Extension, PREDIA Project, Juticalpa, Honduras.

INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

2008.

San Salvador, El Salvador. Iberoamerican Summit on Youth and Food Security, previous to the Presidential Summit.

2008.

Milan, Italy. Food Security Summit

2007.

Guatemala. Interamerican Agricultural Summit, JIA.

2007.

Bigo, Spain. Agriculture and Fishing Secretaries Summit.

2007.

Rome, Italy. International Agricultural Development Fund (FIDA) summit. Negotiation of the Rural Economy Improvement Project (PROMECON) for the department of Yoro.

2007.

Washington, USA. Meeting with the United States Department of Agriculture, USDA, to analyze the requirements to export fresh poultry meat into the USA.

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2007.

Washington, USA. Meeting at the World Bank to negotiate the Rural Competitiveness Project,

2007.

Washington, USA. Meeting at the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to negotiate the Rural Development Project (PRONEGOCIOS).

2007.

Rome, Italy. FAO Biannual Agricultural Ministers Meeting to revise the restructuring proposal of that organism.

2006.

Caracas, Venezuela. FAO Agricultural Ministers Regional Meeting.

2006.

Rome, Italy. Agricultural Ministers Regional Meeting to analyze Rural Development in developing countries.

MEMBER OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS

- *Professional Association of Agronomical Engineers of Honduras, CINAH.*
- *Lions Club Juticalpa, department of Olancho, Honduras.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND PROFESSIONAL DISTINCTIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS:

- *National Agricultural University, Catacamas, Olancho, Honduras.*
- *Atlantic Coast Regional University Center, CURLA, La Ceiba, Honduras.*
- *National School of Forestry Sciences, Siguatepeque, Honduras.*

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- *Professional Association of Agricultural Sciences of Honduras, COLPROCAH.*
- *Luis Landa Agricultural School, Nacaome, Honduras.*
- *Municipality of Ocotepeque, Honduras.*
- *Olancho Rancher and Producers Association, AGAO.*
- *Atlántida Rancher and Producers Association, AGAA.*
- *Southern Agricultural Alliance, Choluteca, Honduras.*
- *Agrobiotek*
- *SAG Scholarship Association of the Pan-American School of Agriculture, El Zamorano, Honduras.*

IDIOMAS

- *English*
- *Spanish*