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Personal Details

Professional Qualifications	PhD, Economics, Duke University, 1976
	Dip Edu., Melbourne University, 1969
	BCom, H1, Melbourne University, 1968
Countries of Experience	Australia; China; Fiji, PNG, Tonga, Tuvalu, Solomon Islands; Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines; Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan; Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Mozambique, Nigeria, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe; Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia; Egypt, , Iran, Lebanon, Sudan, Syria; Colombia, Guatemala, Mexico.

Capability Statement

Joe is an economist with specialist expertise in poverty alleviation using client based financial assistance options, including microfinance delivery and community management structures. He has honed skills in project impact assessment to design and deliver training-of-trainers programs, recruit and manage field based assistants to gather data and engage with clients in assessing needs and opportunities. Joe writes well and is the author of nine books and many refereed specialist articles in the development literature. Joe has managed project design and project impact assessment activities and teams in a wide range of cultural environments in Asia, Pacific, Africa, the Middle East, South America and Central Europe. Joe is able to work to deadlines and has strong people management skills.

Professional Experience (in reverse chronological order)

2025-1985, CEO, Development Professionals International Pty Ltd

Founder, Director and Chief Executive Officer, international development consulting, assignments with international agencies, (eg: World Bank, Asian Development Bank, FAO, UNDP), governments, NGOs and consulting companies.

2021-2008, Disability Carer

In August 2008 my youngest son, then 20, had a skiing accident and became a quadriplegic with only 2% movement. My wife and I were his primary carers for the next four years, which prevented me from continuing in my former full-time role for DPI in international consulting.

2021-2009, Founder, Manager and Service Provider, MowJoe

MowJoe is a local lawn mowing and gardening service provider with some 70 clients in the Surf Coast Shire. Three quarters of work done by MowJoe is outsourced to MowJoe Associates, of whom there are six, including myself. MowJoe has also provided farm and asset management services, including significant property and landscaping projects.

2006-1979, Deakin University

Founding director of international and community development, delivered by distance education.

2004-2000, Agriculture Economics and Social Development Program Officer

Inaugural program director, initiating and managing collaborative research between Australian research teams and counterparts in developing countries. Projects covered pasture improvement, small-holder agriculture, aquaculture, cereal production, technology transfer and a range of pro-poor issues including the role of women.

Selected Consultancies (particularly activities relevant to the project)

Dates: 2025- 2018, **Team Position, Name of Project – Funding agency/s, Country.** Followed by brief description of activities / responsibilities. (actual time input ie 3 months) (20-100 words).

Year: March-December, 2022.

Project Name: Review of Australian Federal Government Financial Support for Indigenous Businesses

Funding Source: Cabinet, Australian Federal Government

Location: Beijing, Australia

Position Held: Small Business and Poverty Specialist

Duties Rendered: Engaged by Sustineo to reflect on lessons learned in indigenous business support outside Australia, poverty targeting and design of finance components for project support.

Skills used: Strategic Planning; Priority Assessment; Report Drafting; Data Analysis.

Year: Sept-December, 2007, Occasional 2008-2020

Project Name: Director of Research, Program Assessment, International Poverty Reduction Centre in China (IPRCC), Beijing

Funding Source: United Nations Development Program

Location: Beijing, PRChina

Position Held: Research Director, Chief Technical Adviser, Program Assessment Specialist

Duties Rendered: Strategic planning to identify and implement a research strategy plan for IPRCC, build research networks and develop proposals for funding. Participate in IPRCC workshops, seminars and international meetings. Undertake an in-depth assessment and evaluation of the effectiveness of IPRCC's program.

Skills used: Team Leadership; Strategic Planning; Research Priority Assessment; Proposal Development/Drafting; Capacity Building and Staff Development Planning; Human Resource Mentoring; Report Writing

Year: May-August, 2007

Project Name: National assessment of ARDA's Microfinance Program in Bangladesh

Funding Source: AusAID

Location: Bangladesh

Position Held: Team Leader, Senior Microfinance Specialist and Field Work Director

Duties Rendered: Work with ADRA staff to design the assessment exercise, prepare assessment budgets for approval by ADRA partners, recruit assessment team, train ADRA staff to be involved in the assessment exercise, lead field based data gathering, undertake desk based examination of program documents, records and field work data, and make recommendations arising out of the program assessment. Prepare and submit final report to ADRA

Skills used: Team Leadership; Assignment design and budgeting; Program assessment; Impact evaluation; Strategic planning; Identification of KPOs; Capacity building; Training while doing;

Stakeholder assessment; Human resource mentoring; Workshop facilitation.

Year: April-August, 2007

Project Name: Design Team, Central and Southern Shanxi Integrated Agriculture Development Project, PRChina.

Funding Source: Asian Development Bank, TA4831

Location: Taiyuan, Shanxi, PRChina

Position Held: Poverty, Business Finance and Small Farmer Specialist

Duties Rendered: Assess the incidence and causes of poverty; relate poverty to value chain improvements; conduct farmer focussed participatory development planning; facilitate innovations to improve target group participation in area agricultural development planning and project level implementation consistent with improved access to finance, environmental sustainability and gender equity.

Skills used: Participatory poverty assessment and intervention planning; Team participation and collaboration; Pilot project research design; Stakeholder relationships assessment; Project progress monitoring and impact assessment; Workshop facilitation; Peer review of proposals

Publications (selected)

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- Remenyi, Joe, 2007, **Female Slave Rehabilitation in Ghana: Ex-Trokosi Liberation and Rehabilitation Program: Mid Term Review**, International; Needs Australia and AusAID, DPI Pty Ltd, Torquay, pp. 59.
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