Anne-Catherine VAES

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DRIVEN HUMANITARIAN PROJECT IEADER

- 17 years of experience in governmental/non-governmental organizations working for development and humanitarian aid
- Project management, advocacy, and coordination of workgroups
- · Professional and personal experiences in various multicultural environments
- Multilingual (FR, EN, DU, SP, JP), good written, verbal, problem-solving, people management skills

WORK EXPERIENCE

DOCTORS OF THE WORLD JAPAN - Tokyo, JP: PT Volunteer (03/2019- present)

 Identified, developed and led fund-raising initiatives with international schools and international companies in Tokyo

JAPAN CENTER FOR CONFLICT PREVENTION - Tokyo, JP: PT Volunteer (09/2015-12/2018)

- Coached/ supported junior Japanese staff on project management and interaction with field teams
- Coordinated & contributed to the follow up and reporting of
 - UN funded (UNIFEM) project in Kenya "Resilience Building for Women and Girls on Effects of Countering Violent
 - UN-funded (UNOPS) project in Somalia "Conflict Prevention and Social Stabilization through Gender Sensetive Bossaso Market Rehabilitation and Entrepreneurship Development in Puntland"

CARITAS INTERNATIONAL BELGIUM – Brussels, BE: Humanitarian aid officer (02/2012 – 12/2014)

- Identified, raised funding (+/- 5 mln EUR) and managed end to end multiple humanitarian projects for Africa (South Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Burundi, Niger), and the Middle East (Lebanon)
- · Led directly the Caritas International Belgium's expats team in South Sudan and Haïti
- Acted as focal point for follow-up of the humanitarian situation worldwide for Caritas International Belgium as well as Belgian representative in the working groups on humanitarian aid in the Caritas network of organisations

OXFAM SOLIDARITE - Brussels, BE: Humanitarian project manager (07/2008 - 11/2011)

- Identified and managed end to end multiple projects for Central America (El Salvador), the Caribbean (Haiti, Cuba), Pakistan, Horn of Africa, e.g.
 - Led interactions and negotiations with donors (EC, Belgian government, other Oxfam affiliates or NGO's)
 - Identified, executed, evaluated humanitarian and disaster risk reduction (DRR) projects with budgets ranging from 500k-1.5 MIn EUR
- Drove the creation of new management tools and procedures for the humanitarian unit concerning procurement, human resources and finances
- Acted as focal point for DRR (e.g. strategy building, in-house training, and representation of Oxfam in NGO working groups on DRR)

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EMBASSY OF BELGIUM - Cooperation and Development - Lima, PE: Assistant-Attaché (10/2004 - 06/2008)

- Identified and supervised the formulation and execution of development projects (5 year budget: +/- 15 MIn EUR)
- Coordinated and followed-up meetings and implementation reviews/ negotiations with national counter-parts, bilateral and multilateral donors
- Acted as chairman of Peru's donor coordination group for human rights issues
- Led awareness raising activities on development aid in Peru incl. the elaboration of annual reports (cooperation, human rights, terrorism, follow-up of the Declaration of Paris implementation) and country strategies
- Contributed to the success of diplomatic events/visits by preparing diplomatic team's speeches, and briefings related to the Belgian cooperation and development-related activities in Peru

INTERNATIONAL ORGANSATIONS (EU & UN): Brussels, BE & NY, USA: various roles (10/2003 – 07/2004)

- European Union European Commission (6 months) Intern at ECHO (Office for Humanitarian Aid)
- European Union Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe (3 months): Programme Assistant for the Migration, Asylum, Refugee, Regional Initiative (MARRI)
- United Nations (3 months): Assistant Advisor at the Belgian Permanent Mission to the United Nations (UN)

EDUCATION		
College of Europe – Bruges, BE	Master after Master Degree in European Political and Administrative Studies	2002-2003
Université catholique de Louvain – Louvain, BE	Masters Degree in Political Sciences, International Relations	2000-2002
Facultés universitaires de Saint-Louis – Brussels, BE	Bachelors Degree in Political Sciences	1998-2000

SKILLS & OTHER INFORMATION

Language: Multilingual (fluent in French, English, Spanish, advanced level Dutch, beginner level Japanese

Hobbies: sailing, kite-surf, running, cooking, reading

Other social & academic info: various social contributions, incl. election observations (Peru, 2006; Montenegro, 2009) and author of articles on development and humanitarian topics

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