

# Rebecca Natukunda



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Dedicated Civil Engineering Professional with a history of consistently in meeting goals while observing and maintaining ethical conduct.



## Skills

- Civil Engineering
- Analysis of Contracts and Claims
- Project Management
- Procurement
- Technical Audit



## Work History



### **Technical Assistant for the Executive Director - Uganda National Roads Authority (UNRA)**

- Maintaining a portfolio of key and or strategic projects and monitoring timeliness in execution and advise the Accounting Officer on potential challenges that may hinder progress. Coordinate resolution of the risks before they materialize into events that may lead to claims for damages.
- Review Project Designs and estimated projects for the Accounting Officer's approval and advise on potential areas of improvement. These reviews have seen the Authority initiate procurements at approximately USD 1.09 per Km, down from USD 1.643 per Km.
- Review and advise the Accounting Officer on all proposals for contract changes, variations in the form quality, cost, time within the contractual and legal framework.
- Prepare and coordinate the implementation of the Accounting Officer's stakeholder engagement program, including monitoring of the implementation of agreed recommendations and or action points from the engagements.
- Secretary of the Contracts committee effective 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2021. The committee plays an oversight role in the implementation of the Annual Procurement Plan whose portfolio is currently estimated at UGX 8Trn.
- Member of the Claim committee from 2017 to date. The committee reviews claims for compensation for damages from providers and the advises on the authenticity of the claims.

2021-01 - Current

2016-08 - 2020-12

### **Head Technical Audit - Uganda National Roads Authority**

- Plan and coordinate the review and advise on value for money, compliance with technical, contractual, and legal requirements for a portfolio of projects and programs estimated at over UGX 2 Trn annually.
- Prepayment review of all Interim Payment Certificates for Works, and advice on accuracy, completeness, consistency and validity of the claim for Payment estimated at over UGX 2 Trillion annually.
- Plan and coordinated implementation of the departmental annual work plan where performance of over 100% annual when coupled with Board and or Management Advisories.
- Guide teams in preparing risk-based audit plans for enhanced value to the organization and in the process advised on areas of improvement including but not limited to enhanced controls in measurement and verification of earthworks, computation of VoP and Interest for delayed payment. The reviews and or inspections covered assessment of compliance with environmental and social safeguards.
- The department of Technical Audit was new in the Authority. As the first Head of the Department, recruited, trained staff using previous experience and established a strong, competent, and motivated team.

2016-01 - 2016-08

### **Manager Technical Audit-Uganda National Roads Authority**

- Supported the Director Internal Audit in implementing the annual departmental work plan since there was no Head of Technical Audit at the Time.
- Prepared and implemented risk-based audits and supported management in identifying areas of improvement, fraud, noncompliance with legal and or contractual obligations.

2015-05 - 2015-12

### **Lead Investigator-Commission of Inquiry (Allegations of Mismanagement, Abuse of Office, and Corrupt Practices in UNRA, Kampala, Kampala)**

- Reviewed contracts, contract management files, progress reports, Interim Payment Certificates, identified inconsistencies and potential fraudulent elements and reported.
- Supported the commission in field inspections including measurement of works, sample collection for testing and report writing.

2009-08 - 2015-03

### **Technical Audit Consultant- Office of the Auditor General, Kampala, Uganda**

- Participated in Technical Audits of various institutions mainly Uganda National Roads Authority on annual basis, Ministry of Works and Transport, Ministry of Local Government, Kampala City Authority, Ministry of Water and Environment occasionally. Produced reports advising on value for money, authenticity, completeness and consistency, of measured works, claims for compensation of damages compensable Variation of Price among others.

2013-06 - 2013-06

- Specific tasks included:
  - ✓ Review of procurement processes, contracts, contract management files, Interim Payment Certificates and reported areas of improvement and or noncompliance.
  - ✓ Field inspection and measurement for verification of existence and integrity of payments effected
  - ✓ Sampling and testing of works to ascertain compliance of works
- Trained the Value for Money and Public Works Audit Team in undertaking Technical Audits.

### **Facilitator-Creek Consult, Kampala, Uganda**

- Facilitated the training the Kampala City Authority-Directorate of Internal Audit in carrying out Works Contracts Audits. Facilitation included both document review ad field inspection

2013-01 - 2013-02

### **Technical Auditor-UPIMAC, Kampala, Uganda**

- Supported the Technical Audit of the Water Sector Development Programme (WSDP) for Financial Years 2010/2011 & 2011/2012 Ministry of Water in the United Republic of Tanzania (The United Republic of Tanzania), (Period: January to February 2013), specific districts reviewed included Bukoba, Mwanza, Shinyanga, Simiyu and Singida.

2012-04 - 2012-05

### **Technical Auditor-UPIMAC Consultants, Kampala, Kampala**

- Supported the Independent Procurement Review & Value for Money Audit of Contracts Implemented by Local Government Authorities (LGAs) Under the Independent Procurement Review & Value for Money Audit of Contracts Implemented by Local Government Authorities (LGAs) Under the Local Government Development Grant (LCDG) System for the Prime Minister's Office Regional Administration and Local Government (The United Republic of Tanzania), (Period, April – May 2012), specific districts covered included Manyoni District Council, Shinyanga Municipal Council, Nzega District Council and Singida Municipal Councils.

2006-09 - 2010-03

### **Graduate Engineer-M&E Associates, Kampala, Uganda**

- Responsible for supervision and measurement of works executed for Water and Sanitation Projects including Kampala Urban Poor Phase 1



## **Education**

2020-11 - Current

### **Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply - United Kingdom**

- Continuing Education in Advanced Diploma in Chartered Institute of Procure and Supply

2019-11 - 2020-11

### **Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply - United Kingdom**

- Completed professional development in Diploma in Chartered Institute in Procurement and Supply

2001-08 - 2021-07

### **Kyambogo University - Kampala Uganda**

- Completed Bachelor's Degree in Civil and Building Engineering

## Uganda Polytechnic Kyambogo - Kampala

- Completed Diploma in Building and Civil Engineering



## Affiliations

Member Uganda Institute of Professional Engineers,  
Student Member, Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply, UK

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