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Gender: Male; **Date of birth:** 03/09/1989; **Nationality:** Nigerian; **Marital:** Married (2 children)

COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

CARRIER OBJECTIVE

To work in a challengeable environment where my skill will be fully utilized and to strive for **excellence and precision** at all time, in all positions and circumstances, attaining professional distinction and proficiency. This is achieved through strict adherence to my personal qualities.

PERSONAL QUALITIES

- >Good leadership skill and resilience
- >Attention to detail
- >Innovative, creative and result oriented
- >Excellence interpersonal and communication skill
- >Highly proficient in computer usage (Microsoft office, statistical and Internet Inclusive).

HONOURS AND AWARDS

- [01/08/2023] **German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) IPPAE Scholarship:** University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany.
- [20/03/2014] **Academic Award of Excellence:** Nasarawa State University, Keffi
Five Times Faculty of Agric. and University Annual Award of Academic Excellence.
- [09/06/2012] **Scholarship Awards and Grants:** Bode Amoa Foundation Scholarship of Academic Excellence.
- [05/09/2018] **Scholarship Awards and Grants:** PTDF Nigeria Overseas Scholarship Award. (MSc.)
- [13/10/2015] **Award of Leadership Excellence:** National Youth Service Treasurer, Atiba LGA, Nigeria.

MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS

LEADERSHIP POSITION

1. Financial Secretary, Students' Union Government CTC NSUK. 2011.
2. Substantive B. Agric. Students' Class Representative 100-500 level
3. Treasurer, NYSC Atiba LG Award of Leadership Excellence.
4. Member, NDLEA/NYSC Drug-Free Club, Atiba LG, Oyo State.
5. Member, FRSC/NYSC Road Safety Club, Atiba LG, Oyo State.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

[01/10/2023 – Date] **PhD. (In view) AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS**
UNIVERSITY OF HOHENHEIM
Address: Stuttgart, Germany

[23/01/2017 – 06/04/2020] **MSc. AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS**
AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY
Address: Zaria, Nigeria

[28/12/2008 – 21/08/2014] **B. AGRIC. First Class Honors (Agric. Economics and Extension Option).**

NASARAWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Address: Keffi, Nigeria

[31/08/2006 – 20/12/2007] **DIPLOMA IN COMPUTER STUDY**

UNITED NATION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME COMPUTER SCHOOL

Address: Lafia, Nigeria

[20/09/1999 – 09/06/2006] **SENIOR SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (NECO). GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL-ONUGAH**

Address: Doma, Nigeria

[09/06/1993 – 22/08/1999] **PRIMARY LEAVING CERTIFICATE**

CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL, DOMA.

Address: Doma, Nigeria

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

[15/09/2015 – Current] **Nigerian Institute of Management (Chartered)**

Graduate, Nigerian Institute of Management (Chartered) **Proficiency Certificate in Management.**

[22/10/2021 – Current] **Nigerian Association of Agricultural Economists**

Member, Nigerian Association of Agricultural Economists (NAAE/2021/12419)

ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

TRAINING COURSE/WORKSHOP ATTENDED

1. Participant, System of Rice Intensification Research in Africa: The SRI Global Research Network Webinar Series #3. **January, 2025**
2. Participant, Project Monitoring and Reporting Using Open Source Tools (QGIS). **March, 2024**
3. Participant, Creative Writing & Storytelling. **April, 2024**
4. Lecture presenter, “Can Mechanization De-Risk Pesticide Hazards in African Agriculture? An assessment of the role of mechanized pesticide use in facilitating a sustainable use of pesticides” at the German Academic Exchange Program (DAAD) Scholars Conference Regensburg, Bavaria, Germany **March, 2024**
5. Participant, Sustainable Financing and Impact Investing. **March, 2024**
6. Participant, Young Entrepreneurs in Science Workshop: From Research to Entrepreneurship. **February, 2024**
7. Participant, Food and Nutrition Security Training. **May, 2022**
8. Participants, Statistical Data Analysis for Post-graduate Students and Staff Using R Programming Language. **February, 2022**
9. Participant, British Council, Ideas for a Better World: Leading Change Through Policymaking Online course. **2019**
10. Participant, FAO, Farm Data Management, Sharing and Services for Agricultural Development Online Course. **2019**
11. Participant, UN/FAO/UNDP, National Adaptation Plans: Building Climate Resilience in Agriculture Online Course. **2018**
12. Participant, Agrifood Value Chain, Under Feed The Future Nigeria Agricultural Policy Project. By Michigan State University, USA and Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria. **2017.**
13. Participant, Electronic Library Resources (AGORA, TEEAL, AGRIKNOWLEDGE, HINARI, and ARDI) Programmes for Nigeria. By ABU, ITOCA, FAO & Mann Library, Cornell University. **2017**
14. Participant, Competitive African Rice Initiative (CARI) Project Training in Kano State. Organized by German Int’l Cooperationz (GIZ) **2016**
15. Participant, Farmer Business School (FBS) Training in Kano State. Organized by German Int’l Cooperationz (GIZ). **2016**
16. Participant, NYSC Skill Acquisition and Entrepreneurship Development (SAED). **2015**

17. Participant, National Economic Empowerment & Development Strategy (NEEDS) Skills Acquisition Training, Nasarawa State. **2007**

WORK EXPERIENCE

[07/12/2018 – Current] **Extension Specialist**

National Agricultural Extension and Research Liaison Services, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.

City: Zaria **Country:** Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities:

Core Roles:

Extension: Careful development & collation of agricultural extension materials by professional personnel.

Research: Research into innovative extension techniques for improved extension delivery

Teaching: Both Undergraduates & Postgraduates teaching and capacity building of extension personnel and other stakeholders.

Specific Role/Tasks Accomplished:

1. Data manager & assistant M&E officer, AGRA/NAERLS CBA Projects.
 - Provided effective leadership to data team.
 - Organized and coordinated baseline and midline data collection, cleaning and analysis of the data.
 - Resource person for pre-season training, ICT4Ag training, commodity aggregation training, post-harvest management training, group dynamics and management training for community-based advisor (CBA) and extension agents (EA), among others.
 - Field monitoring and evaluation of demo plots,
 - Activity report preparation and coordination of field-days events.
2. Master trainer for extension agents and adopted village farmers on good agronomic practices (GAP).
3. Resource person for department workshop on: Data Analysis using Excel and other statistical packages
4. Resource person for department workshop on: Access to Online Agricultural Resources (AGORA and TEEAL) for Extension Services.
5. Member, Departmental Seminar Committee
6. Member, Skill Acquisition and Entrepreneurship Centre Committee (Hydroponics and Green House Trade). And other non-portfolio roles.

[28/03/2022 –08/02/2023] **Co-Consultant, 1st Nigeria Contract Farming (CF) Policy for Kaduna State**

Main activities and responsibilities:

Responsibility:

Provide, through policy statements, a strong safeguards and remedies for conflict; that facilitate commercial linkage as a strategy for development of smallholder agriculture and encouragement of private investment by promotion of more inclusive contract model that bring real economic benefits locally to the smallholder as well as their business partners.

Key Milestone:

- Review of documents on CF and others obtained from relevant government agencies;
- Consultations with key stakeholders (State and non-State actors);
- Field survey using stakeholder interviews and Network Mapping;
- Production of full draft policy;
- Stakeholders' validation workshop; and
- Production of final and certified CF policy document for Kaduna State

[03/07/2022 –08/09/2022] **Data Analyst & Research Assistant, Gender Situation Analysis of Agriculture and Rural Development for AGRA Gender Policy for Kaduna State.**

Key Milestone:

- Field survey and stakeholder interviews
- Data cleaning and Analysis
- Stakeholders' validation workshop; and

[10/12/2020 – 30/11/2021] **Research Assistant**

Agricultural Policy Research in Africa

City: Kaduna

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities: Survey on Land Use Decision and Agricultural Commercialization Among Farm Household in Nigeria

Tasks: Household survey and Georeferencing.

[12/07/2019 – 31/07/2019] **Research Assistant**

Agro Processing Productivity Enhancement and Livelihood Support

City: Kaduna

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities: (APPEALS) Project: Baseline Survey in Kaduna State under IFPRI.

Tasks: Household survey, key informant Interview and focus group discussions

[08/08/2019 – 22/08/2019] **Research Assistant**

World Bank Community and Social Development Project (CSDP)

City: Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Abuja.

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities: CSDP Outcome Study:

Tasks: Household survey, key informant Interview and focus group discussions

[21/03/2018 – 12/04/2018] **Research Assistant**

International food Policy Research Institute

City: Benue

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities: Agricultural Mechanization Survey in Benue State. A survey conducted by International Food Policy Research Institutes (IFPRI).

Tasks: Household survey and Georeferencing

[08/04/2018 – 04/12/2018] **Farmers Trainer and Field Supervisor**

Value Seeds/Manoma Integrated Links Ltd. Zaria, Kaduna State

City: Kudan Local Government

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities:

Tasks:

- Training of Out-grower farmers and field supervision;
- Training of field staff and monitoring growing activities;
- Ensure full Loan recoveries.

[21/02/2017 – 20/10/2017] **Research Assistant**

Michigan State University

City: Kaduna State

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities: Poultry Value Chain Study, Northern Nigeria. A Survey Conducted by Michigan State University, USA and Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria.

Tasks: Reconnaissance survey, household survey and Georeferencing.

[02/06/2019 – 07/07/2019] **Research Assistant**

International Food Policy Research Institute

City: Kaduna

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities: Household survey, key informant Interview and focus group discussions.

[10/05/2015 – 16/09/2016] **Field Supervisor**

Doreo Partners/Babban Gona Farmers Service Nig. Ltd

City: Zaria

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities:

Tasks:

- Ensure all Trust Group (TG) farmers in my assigned territory achieve the best possible agricultural yield;
- Ensure the farmers I supervised pay back their loan 100% in full, once they get bumper yield;
- Provide effective leadership and monitoring of the field staff in my cluster;
- Train field staff on Babban Gona agronomy and effective field monitoring;
- Conduct field surveys, such as farmers listing, germination and growing activities surveys using ODK App and GPS device.
- Analyze and report growing activities from the data base and other job assignments

[04/11/2014 – 03/11/2015] **Teaching Assistant**

Emmanuel Alayande College of Education, Oyo, Oyo state, Nigeria.

City: Oyo

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities: A one-year mandatory National Youth Service Council (NYSC)

Tasks

- Teaching;
- Students' result compilation;
- Exams invigilation;
- Clerical assistant to department head.

[07/05/2012 – 04/06/2014] **Research Assistant;**

Al-Hikma Agro-Consult Ltd.

City: Lafia

Country: Nigeria

Main activities and responsibilities:

Tasks:

- Research Assistant;
- CAPI household/village surveys and Geo-referencing using *CSPRO*, *survey B*, *ODK collect Apps* and *Garmin GPS device*.
- Data Cleaning;
- Data Analysis.

Research Projects Participated:

1. Rice Processor Survey using CAPI (with *Survey b* installed) in Nasarawa State with Graduate School of Systems and Information Engineering, University of Tsukuba, Japan.
2. Impact Assessment of Community and Social Development Project (CSDP) in Nasarawa State.
3. International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) Agricultural Mechanization and Rice Survey in Nasarawa State.
4. Survey of Farm and Non-Farm Linkages in Nasarawa State.
5. IFPRI Ecosystem Services Project in Northern Nigeria.
6. Rice Survey Project in Nasarawa State. A collaborative project between Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nigeria and Graduate School of Systems and Information Engineering, University of Tsukuba, Japan.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

[05/01/2019 – 30/07/2023] Alliance For Green Revolution In Africa (AGRA)/NAERLS Community-Based Advisor:
Building Smallholder Resilience in Agriculture

Roles:

1. Data Manager
2. Monitoring and Evaluation Assistant
3. Field Monitoring

Reference: Angara, U. A.

1. Thomas Daum, Lilli Scheiterle, Viviane Yameogo, Ygué Patrice Adegbola, Wellington Mulinge, Alpha Oumar Kergna, Christogonus Daudu, **Usman Abdullahi Angara**, Roch Cedrique Zossou, Abdoulaye Nientao, Oluwole Fatunbi, Linda Isuyi and Regina Birner (2025). Moving beyond the productivity paradigm: Agricultural innovation systems and sustainable transformation in Africa. *Journal of Agricultural Systems*. **Imprint**.
2. Egwuma, H., Siewe, F., Mohammed, A. B and **Angara, U. A.** (2022). Determinants of farmers' perception and adoption of improved legume varieties among farming households in Northern Nigeria. *FUDMA Journal of Agricultural and Agricultural Technology Vol. (8) No. 2. Pp. 96-108*.
3. Danladi, E. B., **Angara, U. A.**, Makarau, S. B., Ntat, F. H and Garba, A.R (2022). Farmers' Perception on Climate Change and Coping Strategies Adopted by Giwa Farmers, Giwa Local Government Area, Kaduna State, Nigeria. *Proceeding of the 46th National Conferenceth of the Soil Science society of Nigeria Zaria2022, 14 - 18th March, 2022*.
4. Magaji, A. A., Yusuf, O., Ammani, A. A., Sani, I. and **Angara U. A** (2022). Technical efficiencies of poultry Toll Feed Mills in Kaduna and Plateau States, Nigeria. *FUDMA Journal of Sciences. 6(1): Pp60 67. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.33003/fjs-2022-0601-791>*.
5. Adamu, M.B., Magaji, A.A and **Angara, U.A** (2021). An assessment of the the level of adoption of cryptocurrency among students of tertiary institutions of Sabon Gari and Zaria LGA, Nigeria. *Arts and Social Science Research Volume 11, September 2021*.
6. **Angara, U. A.**, Gambo, B. K., Ndahi, Y.M., Gandi, B. R. and Garba, A.R (2021). Economics of Broiler chicken fed graded levels of Treated Poultry By-Product as a means of Mitigating the Impacts of Covid-19. *Proceeding of the 21st National Conference of the Nigerian Association of Agricultural Economists Lafia2021, 18th to 22nd September, 2021*.
7. Abdullahi, A., Lawal, S.A., Abdullahi, M, and **Angara, U.A** (2021). Profitability of Guava Production among Smallholder Farmers in Selected Local Government Area of Kaduna State, Nigeria. *Proceeding of the 21st National Conference of the Nigerian Association of Agricultural Economists Lafia2021, 18th to 22nd September, 2021*.
8. Wahab, A. A., Daudu, C.K., **Angara, U. A.**, Ibrahim, A.L., and Garba, A.R. (2021). NetMapping: A new perspective in the practice of agricultural extension in Nigeria. *An Oral Presentation at the 26th Annual Conference of the Agricultural Extension Society of Nigeria (AESON), Ogun, 2021, 26 – 30 April, 2021*.
9. Wahab A.A., Abubakar, J. A., **Angara, U. A** and Qasim O.A, (2020). Adoption of climate smart agriculture among smallholder farmers in the Northwestern agro-ecological zone of Nigeria. *Nigerian Journal of Agricultural Extension*.
10. **Angara, U. A**, Benjamin Ahmed, Ojeleye O.A, Baba Dahiru and Habiba Abdullahi (2020). Assessment of compliance with contract terms under Babban Gona Rice Scheme in Kano state, Nigeria. *Nigerian Journal of Agricultural Extension. 31(4): Pp 74-85*.
11. **Angara, U. A.** (2020). Economic Impact of Babban Gona off-takers's scheme on smallholder rice farmers in Kano State, Nigeria. **M.Sc. Degree Research**
12. Daudu, C.K., A.A Wahab., N. Yarama., A.O. Fatunbi., E.O. Adejoh., **U.A. Angara** and E.T Omisope (2020). Effects of Agricultural Mechanization on Rural Communities. Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) Research Report 5(18): Pp 122.
13. Wahab, A.A., Abubakar J.A., **Angara, U.A** and Qasim, O.A (2020). *Adoption of Climate Smart Agricultural Practices for Soil Conservation and Water Management in Northwest Agro-ecological Zone of Nigeria*. Proceedings of the 25th Annual Conference of Agricultural Extension Society of Nigeria, UDUS, 2020, 5 - 8 April, 2020.
14. Ibrahim H.I., **U. A Angara.**, Onuk, G.E and Olatinwo, L.K (2014). Is the e-wallet scheme working? Evidence from a rural area of Northern Nigeria. *Proceedings of the 48th Annual Conference of Agricultural Society of Nigeria*. Pp 293-296.
15. **U. A Angara** (2014). A preliminary assessment of fertilizer procurement and distribution under the e-wallet scheme in Nasarawa State, Nigeria. **First degree research**.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Alago: Mother tongue

Other language(s):

English (including IELTS- Band 6.5)

LISTENING C1 READING C2 WRITING B1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B1 SPOKEN INTERACTION C1

Hausa

LISTENING B2 READING B2 WRITING B2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B2 SPOKEN INTERACTION B2

DIGITAL SKILLS

My Digital Skills

Microsoft Office | Microsoft Excel | Microsoft Word | Microsoft PowerPoint | Zoom | Google Drive | Internet user | Statistical and econometric software (STATA, SPSS, E-Views, R programming)

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

HOBBIES

Fellowship, enjoy nature tour and gardening, walking and jogging

SPORTS

Volleyball

RECOMMENDATIONS

Academic Referee

Name: Prof. Regina Birner.

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Chair of Social and Institutional Change in Agricultural Development
Hans-Ruthenberg-Institute (490C),
University of Hohenheim,
Stuttgart, Germany

Academic Referee

Name: Prof. Zakari AbdulSalam

Phone number: (+234) 7057870482

Email: zakabd2009@gmail.com

Agric. Economics Department,
Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Kaduna State.

Professional Referee

Name: Prof. C. K. Daudu

Phone number: (+234) 7063330321

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National Agricultural Extension & Research Liaison Services,
Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Kaduna State, Nigeria.



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My Signature