



## **Linda Lamya**

As a Project Manager for Adventist Development & Relief Agency, Malawi, Linda Lamya coordinates the planning, implementation, and monitoring of a project focused on adapting to climate change called “Enhancing Community Resilience to Climate Change”. She leads the implementation team and provides daily leadership in the technical, budgetary and work plan aspects of the project. Linda Lamya is an expert in building capacity of vulnerable individuals and households in climate change adaptation strategies, aquatic ecosystem conservation, and environmental education training, and has developed skills in facilitation, community outreach and mobilization, and program design. During her fellowship in the United States, Linda Lamya hopes to learn about advocacy for environmental issues and climate change. She is particularly interested in aquatic ecosystems, sustainable energy focusing on solar light utilization in rural communities, and waste management focusing on recycling waste products. She also hopes to develop her skills in grant proposal writing, monitoring and evaluation, and team management. Upon returning from the Community Solutions Program, Linda Lamya plans to work with youth grassroots organizations to strengthen their capacity and knowledge in climate change, disaster risk management, and environmental conservation focusing on utilization of low carbon technologies. She also plans to develop a program that is focused on recycling waste products.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **Adventist Development & Relief Agency, (April 2015 – Present)**

##### **Project Manager, Mwanza, Malawi**

- Coordinates the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of “Enhancing Communities Resilience to Climate Change in Mwanza” program. The program’s interventions include: climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction, climate smart agriculture technologies, low carbon technologies, advocacy and village savings & loans.
- Coordinates and manages the development of work plans and budget (quarterly & annually) and ensures achievements of set targets.
- Networks with civil society organizations on climate change, disaster risk reduction and other environmental issues affecting the district, and serves the network as treasurer.
- Participates in relevant national-level climate change and disaster risk management platforms and events to share experiences and lessons.

#### **Adventist Development & Relief Agency, (January 2012 – March 2015)**

##### **Project Field Facilitator, Mwanza, Malawi**

- Facilitated the capacity building of households and communities in climate change, disaster risk reduction, early warning systems, low carbon technologies, climate smart agriculture amongst others.
- Managed and trained volunteers in various interventions of the program.
- Prepared monthly reports for all program activities in the impact area.
- Facilitated the identification of advocacy issues from the communities and conducted dialogues sessions between communities and stakeholders.

## **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

**University of Malawi, Zomba, Malawi (2017)**

Graduate Degree, Water Resources Modelling & Governance

**Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Lilongwe, Malawi (2010)**

Undergraduate Degree, Aquaculture and Fisheries Science

## **SKILLS**

### **Languages**

- English, Professional Working Proficiency

### **Computer**

- Microsoft Office programs
- Research Packages (SPSS)
- Hydrological simulation models (WASMOD)