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PROFILE

Eria is a Ugandan, currently a PhD student at the Department of Social Anthropology, University of Bergen, Norway and has been a lecturer at the Department of Sociology, Makerere University in Uganda since 2002. His areas of specialization include; violence, inter and intra-state conflicts; encompassing ethnic conflicts and violence in African drylands, poverty and identity politics in Africa.

EDUCATION

2006 – Current PhD candidate (Social Anthropology) Department of Social Anthropology, University of Bergen, Norway.

Thesis title: *Pastoralism and Conflict in African Drylands: Confronting persistence violence in an armed society; The case of the Karimojong in North-eastern Uganda*

2000 – 2002 M.Phil (Human Ecology) Department of Social Anthropology, University of Bergen, Norway

1996 – 1999 B.A (Social Science) specializing in Sociology, Makerere University, Uganda

RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2007. Rethinking the enduring nature of poverty; a cultural perspective to the poverty debate, Mawazo; The journal of the Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences Makerere University Vol. 8 No 2

2007 – Present Manhood on the Margins: Changing Masculine Identities in Post-conflict Northern Uganda (on going project on work package on Gender aspects of violent conflicts on the Micro Level Analysis of Violent Conflict (MICROCON)

July 2006 (Co-researcher), Rapid Sexual and Reproductive Health Assessment in Northern Uganda

April/May 2006 (Researcher) Baseline survey for Kayunga Area Based Programme, for Self Help International-Uganda.

2005 (Researcher), Decentralization and challenges of agricultural service delivery reform in Uganda: An analysis of farmers' acceptance and adoption of new technologies for agricultural production.

2005 (Researcher), Relevance of adolescents' knowledge and perceptions on sexual and reproductive health policies and services in Uganda.

2004 (Researcher) Gulu Schools Peace Project Evaluation; An Evaluation of the Injury Control Centre peace building project in primary schools in Gulu district, Northern Uganda.

2002 (Co-Investigator) The problem of domestic child workers, A survey of Tororo, Busia, Rakai and Lira districts of Uganda.

2002 (Researcher) 'Primordial' and 'Instrumental' concerns and their relevance for understanding ethnic processes, Masters of Philosophy Thesis presented to the Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Bergen, Norway.

1999 (Researcher) A modified outreach to children of Aids Affected families in Uganda, A collaborative project between Population council and Department of Sociology, Makerere University.

1999 (Researcher) Evolving Social Network support systems as a safety net for community livelihoods in Tororo District, July 1999 Bachelor of Arts Dissertation presented to the Department of Sociology, Makerere University.

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

2002 – Current	Assistant Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Makerere University.
1999 – 2000	Researcher associate in the Department of Sociology, Makerere University, on the collaborative project with Population Council – The project is entitled; “A modified outreach to children of Aids Affected families in Uganda.”

LANGUAGES

Luo:	Native language
English:	Spoken (fluent) Written (fluent) Reading (fluent)
Kiswahili:	Spoken (good) Written (basic) Reading (fair)
Luganda:	Spoken (good) Written (fair) Reading (fair)

MEMBERSHIPS IN ORGANIZATIONS

2002 – Current	Member	Organization for Social Science Research in East and Southern Africa (OSSREA)
2005 – Current	Member	Board of Governors Rock High School.

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