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## Education

- Newcastle University, UK**, MSc Environmental Engineering, Current course grading average 72%. 2018-2019
- Thesis on quantitative microbial risk assessment in the reuse of faecal sludge as agricultural fertilizer in Uganda.
- Politecnico of Milan, Faculty of Design**, Master Degree in Interior Architecture, 98/110 2003-2006
- Selected for the elective program MEDES (Master of European Design)
- Politecnico of Milan, Faculty of Design**, Bachelor in Industrial Design, 110L/110 2003-2006
- Aalto University, Finland**, Exchange student 2004-2005
- Followed courses on human centred design, product design and research methodologies.
- KISD Cologne, Germany**, exchange student. 2002-2003
- Attended courses in communication, graphic design and video making

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## Higher education experience

- University of New South Wales, Sydney** 2015-present
- Lecturer for an elective course on the topic of street life and urban form. The module runs in partnership with Phnom Penh Royal University. It has reached its 5th edition and keeps receiving above average evaluation from participants.
- Together with Eva Lloyd, designed and received funding for the first course of UNSW Built Environment outside the country
  - Facilitated learning and discussion between Australian and Cambodian students.
  - Organized different learning activities in collaboration with local communities.
  - Edited promotional documentation for the course.
- Politecnico of Milan, Faculty of Design** 2006 and 2014
- Tutor in different design studios included in master course curricula.
- Acted as translator for guest lecturer.
  - Organized course exhibition.
  - Prepared educational material for supporting lecturers.
- Norton University and Limkokwing University, Faculty of Engineering and Architecture Cambodia** 2010, 2011
- Lecturer in the department of architecture. Run different design studios for second and third year students.
- Explained key design concepts via lectures.
  - Guided students in the development of own original design.
- Architecture University of Yadz, University of Yogyakarta, Indonesia** 2006
- Tutor in the international architectural workshop "Culture of living"
- Produced communication material (video, printed) for the workshop exhibition

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## Invited talks

Choson Exchange Workshop, Pyongyang, speaker.	08.2016
Festival Cities in Renaissance, Lille, speaker.	01.2016
Affordable Housing Forum, Manila, speaker.	10.2013
Small talks, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, speaker.	05.2013
National University of Singapore, Faculty of Architecture, speaker	10.2012

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## Relevant work experiences

**Reconstruction manager**, Kam For Sud, Nepal 12.2016 - 07.2018

- Managed a team of five to successfully implement different projects in the post-earthquake reconstruction in rural Nepal.
- Delivered technical support for housing reconstruction to over 600 families.
- Oversaw the construction of two schools and a clinic.
- Represented the NGO in coordination activities with government, NGOs and local stakeholders.

**Site supervisor**, Abari, Nepal 06.2015

- Responsible for the delivery and construction of temporary classrooms for schools in Tchum Valley.
- Lead local construction teams to build according to specifications.

**Architectural Consultant (PT)**, Advancing Engineering, Cambodia 10.2013 – 04.2016

- Responsible for the architectural design of different public buildings which included a training centre, an open market and a factory.
- Responsible for the preparation of architectural bidding documents.
- Liaising with clients and external contractors.

**Contractor** for AusAID, Cambodia 06.2013- 08.2014

- Delivered the design and construction of five community centres around Cambodia.
- Run participative planning activities with the local community to define community centres characteristics.
- Liaised with external contractors and consultant.
- Negotiated contracts with donors and contractors.

**Site supervisor** for a solar school in Ladakh for Csoma's Room 06-09.2015

- Supervised the construction of a school block in adobe bricks.
- Responsible for workforce and volunteers management.
- Liaised with external contractors and suppliers.

**Consultant** for Sahmakun Teang Tnaut, Cambodia 2010-2011

- Drafted alternative housing plans in collaboration with local communities.
- Supported the NGO in preparing advocacy campaigns on different urban issues.
- Acted as coordinator for a youth project involving students and informal communities planning.

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## Additional experience

**Architect and designer**, various firms in Europe and Asia 11.2007-2016

- Successfully run a small design firm that worked with private clients, NGOs and urban communities. In charge of all its management, financial and strategic aspects.
- Delivered different design for private clients by leading an the office design team (crossboundaries architects)
- Project architect for Aimer headquarter. The project won several international awards (crossboundaries architects)
- Designer for different urban installations in Tokyo (Studio Han Design)

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## Awards as a student

Finalist in an international design competition organized by World Inc. Japan. 2007  
Winner of ReSpace srl furniture design competition 2006  
Best project during final year workshops. Politecnico of Milan 2006  
Selected by Politecnico as one of the 5 students taking part in the Master of European Design Program. 2004

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## Volunteering

<b>Designer</b> and activist for Clean Up Nepal	02.2015- 11.2015
<b>Construction coordinator</b> at Csoma' Room Ladakh, India summer	2014
<b>Teacher</b> at Tumen Vocational River School Tumen, Jilin, China winter semester	2012
<b>STT</b> - Urban consultant Sahmakun Teang Tnaut Phnom Penh, Cambodia	2010
<b>CISV</b> - Different staff roles in the organization of international summer camps.	1995-2006

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## Additional training

qPCR 2-days training, University of Newcastle, UK	2019
Energy generation from Solar, Centre for Alternative Technology, UK	2019
Certificate in Construction Project Management Royal Institute of Standard and Chartered	2018
Certificate in compressed earth blocks, arches and vaults construction. Auroville	2018
SOLO Wilderness first Aid Certificate	2018
Short course on Shelter Coordination, Oxford Brooks and IFRC	2017
Certificate in rammed earth construction, Hunnarshala, India	2014

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## Languages

Native language:	italian
Fluent:	english
Conversational:	spanish
Basic:	german, nepali, chinese, japanese
Beginner:	russian, french

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## IT skills

Office:	word, powerpoint, excel, LaTeX
GIS:	ArcGis and QGIS (beginner)
Visualization:	Tableau (beginner), Adobe Suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, Indesign)
Numerical analysis:	R, MathCAD
Water systems:	EPANET
Architectural design:	Archicad BIM, Rhino (advanced), Sketchup (intermediate)

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## Manual skills

Worked as assistant in construction site in several occasions.  
Part of the kitchen staff during large events.