

CURRICULUM VITAE

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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Research Officer

DATE OF BIRTH: 25 February 1989

NATIONALITY: United States

LANGUAGES: English, Spanish, French

THEMATIC EXPERTISE: Digital Technology and Development, Digital Inequalities, Frontier Technologies and Development, Real Time Data for Adaptive Management (RTD4AM), Foresight Methodology, Business and Development

GEOGRAPHICAL EXPERTISE: Latin America and the Caribbean, sub-Saharan Africa

OVERVIEW

Kevin Hernandez is a Research Officer at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS). After completing an MA in Globalisation, Business and Development at IDS, he worked on a foresight study looking at synergies and tradeoffs between pathways to Equality, Sustainability, and Building Secure and Inclusive Societies. He now works with the digital and technology cluster on various projects including the impact of digital technology on economic growth, productivity, employment and equality, the use of Real Time Data for decision making in the development sector, Frontier Technologies for Development, and Foresight Studies on the future of Digital Technologies. He also provides technical support to entrepreneurs in two innovation funds.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2014 – 2015 **MA Globalisation, Business and Development**
Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, United Kingdom

2007 – 2012 **BSc Business Administration**
St. Joseph's College, NY, United States

RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT

2016 – PRESENT **Research Officer, Institute of Development Studies, United Kingdom**

- Foresight studies on the future of digital and other technologies.
- Research on the potential implications of blockchain technology on developing countries.
- Research on the potential implications of ten 'frontier' [nascent] technologies on the development sector.
- Provide technical support to grantees of two innovation funds.
- Research on the use of agile programme management in Tech for Transparency and Accountability (T4T&A) programmes.

2015 – 2016 **Research Consultant, Institute of Development Studies, United Kingdom**

- Co-conducted a mixed method participatory foresight study on the interactions between (in)Equality, (in)Security, and (un)Sustainability that integrates programme theories/theories of change analysis.
- Produced an evidence synthesis on Digital Technology and its effects on and economic growth, productivity, labour, and inequality in developing countries.
- Literature review on Real Time Monitoring for Adaptive Management.

2013 – 2014 **Microfinance Intern, Fundación Paraguaya & ACCION International, Paraguay**

- Surveyed and collected data on microfinance clients in rural areas regarding 50 outcome indicators in a qualitative impact monitoring/evaluation scheme and designed potential financial solutions for two of the indicators.
- Aided Area Director and Loan Officers in training and capacity building programmes.
- Interpreted and translated workshops and panels between Spanish and English during an international conference on self-sufficient schools with embedded social enterprises.
- Was exposed to and worked with several business-centered development initiatives.
- Represented Accion in a partner microfinance organisation and contributed to the Accion Ambassadors blog.

2012 – 2013

Personal Banker, Citibank, United States

- Built rapport, gathered information, recommended and implemented solutions that fit clients' financial needs.
- Enhanced client relationships through cross selling and service.
- Managed and supervised financial associates when Manager and Assistant Manager were not present

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS

Ten Frontier Technologies for International Development

Ramalingam, R.; Hernandez, K.; Prieto Martin, P. and Faith, B. (2016) *Ten Frontier Technologies for International Development*

The Impact of Digital Technology on Economic Growth and Productivity, and its Implications for Employment and Equality: An Evidence Review

Hernandez, K.; Faith, B.; Prieto Martin, P. and Ramalingam, B. (2016) 'The Impact of Digital Technology on Economic Growth and Productivity, and its Implications for Employment and Equality: An Evidence Review', *IDS Evidence Report 207*

The Multiple Forms of Digital Inequality

Ramalingam, R. and Hernandez, K. (2016) 'The Multiple Forms of Digital Inequality', *2016 World Social Science Report: Challenging Inequalities: Pathways to a Just World*

A Foresight Scenario Method for Thinking About Complex Sustainable Development Interactions

Glover, D.; Hernandez, K. and Rhydderch, A. (2016) 'A Foresight Scenario Method for Thinking About Complex Sustainable Development Interactions', *IDS Bulletin 47.4*: 55-69