

CURRICULUM VITAE

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OVERVIEW

Dr Roger Williamson is a Visiting Fellow with the Cities Cluster.

In October 2010, he took early retirement to pursue a portfolio existence of research, institutional consolidation in development and health organisations, voluntary activity and his own art. Organisations with which he has worked since 2010 include: UNU-WIDER (the World Institute for Development Economics Research, <https://www.wider.unu.edu/>); the Oxford Mindfulness Centre (<http://oxfordmindfulness.org/>); and the Mandela Scholarship Fund (<http://mandelascholarship.org/>).

From 1999-2010, Roger Williamson organised nearly 80 sustainable development conferences at Wilton Park, the UK government's specialist international centre for policy dialogue.

At Wilton Park, Roger Williamson strengthened the policy work on international development, climate change, sub-Saharan Africa and the Millennium Development Goals.

He has also worked at senior level within Christian Aid, the Church of England and other organisations, including being head-hunted as the first Director of the Life and Peace Institute, Uppsala, Sweden, specialised on religion and conflict.

He is widely travelled, having visited over 30 countries in most world regions in the context of development, peace and human rights commitment. He has worked with a wide range of international and UK-based NGOs.

Wilton Park conference reports, including those written by Roger Williamson can be downloaded from the Wilton Park website (<https://www.wiltonpark.org.uk/>).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS

Williamson, R. (2015) *There's a new mood of determination in Africa's universities*. Retrieved from <http://www.businesses.com.au/the-conversation/368215-there-s-a-new-mood-of-determination-in-africa-s-universities>

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