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### **Brief biosketch**

Peter holds a Master's degree in Horticulture from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology. His area of specialization includes food security and conservation of tropical roots and tubers particularly Kenyan yam (*Dioscorea spp*).

Currently Peter is working as a Senior Research Administrator in the Institute for Research, Science and Technology under the Research, Innovation and Outreach division. Previously he worked as a Senior Research Administrative Assistant in the department of Research and Technology Management at Dedan Kimathi University of Technology, Nyeri where he also served as a Farm Manager. In addition, Peter accrued valuable expertise and knowledge when he worked as a Research Associate at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology where he was involved in training selected farmer groups in Kenya on adoption of tissue culture bananas through a banana project funded by BMZ-Germany. In addition, he has lectured on part time basis in Crop Production, Principles of Agriculture, Bio-resource Studies, Seed Science Technology and Critical Issues in Food Security at Jomo Kenyatta University and Chuka University respectively.

His future plans are to actively engage in both conduct and management of research for the ultimate generation of new knowledge and progress of science.