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EDUCATION

(Expected April 2019)

PhD (Politics), University of Newcastle

Thesis title: Extractive resource politics and government-community engagement in Tanzania: A case of natural gas
Thesis supervisor: Professor Jim Jose and Dr Richard Olorunto

2012

M.A. Global Development and Africa, University of Leeds, UK

Dissertation title: Tanzania's new mining act: will it change the rules of the game in large scale gold mining?
Dissertation supervisor: Professor Raymond Bush

2009

Bachelor of Arts with Education (History and Geography), University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2016-2018

Sessional staff in Politics, University of Newcastle, Australia

Courses tutored include Introduction to Politics and US Politics and Foreign Policy

2012-

Assistant Lecturer in Development Studies, Mkwawa University of College of Education, Tanzania

Courses taught include Economic History of Tanzania, History of West Africa, Neo-colonialism and Revolutionary Movements and Development Perspectives

2009-2012

Tutorial Assistant in History, Mkwawa University College of Education, Tanzania

RESEARCH OUTPUT

1. Peer reviewed papers

Poncian, J. 2018. Extractive Resource Ownership and the Subnational Resource Curse: Insights from Tanzania. *The Extractive Industries and Society*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.exis.2018.08.013>

Mgonja, M. and **Poncian, J.** 2018. Managing Outsourcing of Revenue Collection in Tanzania's Local Government Authorities: A Case Study of Iringa Municipal Council. *Local Government Studies*. DOI: 10.1080/03003930.2018.1518219

Poncian, J. and Kigodi, H.M. 2018. Transparency initiatives and Tanzania's extractive industry governance. *Development Studies Research*, 5(1): 106-121. DOI: [10.1080/21665095.2018.1486219](https://doi.org/10.1080/21665095.2018.1486219)

Manyerere, D.J. and **Poncian, J.** 2017. Entering in and sustaining a career in male-dominated jobs: an examination of female security guards' experiences in Iringa region, Tanzania. *International Journal of Gender Studies in Developing Societies*, 2(3): 241–262. DOI: [10.1504/IJGSDS.2017.089484](https://doi.org/10.1504/IJGSDS.2017.089484).

Mgaiwa, S.J. and **Poncian, J.** 2016. Public–private partnership in higher education provision in Tanzania: implications for access to and quality of education. *Bandung: Journal of the Global South*, 3(1): 1-21. DOI: 10.1186/s40728-016-0036-z.

Poncian, J. and Kigodi, H.M. 2015. Natural Resource Conflicts as a Struggle for Space: The Case of Mining in Tanzania. *International and Multidisciplinary Journal of Social Sciences*, 4(3): 147-168. DOI: 10.17583/rimcis.2015.1773.

Poncian, J. 2014. Fifty Years of the Union: The Relevance of Religion in the Union and Zanzibar Statehood Debate. *The African Review Journal*, Special Issue: 50 Years of the Union between Tanganyika and Zanzibar, 41(1): 161-181.

2. Book chapters

Poncian, J. 2017. Fighting Corrupt Practices in the Local Government Authorities in Tanzania: The Role of the National Audit Office. In S. Haque, A. Shyaka & G. Mudacumura (Eds.) *Democratizing Public Governance in Developing Nations: With Special Reference to Africa*. London: Routledge, pp. 201-216.

Poncian, J. 2016. Towards a Gas Led Economy in Tanzania: Potential Challenges. In J. Misati, E. M. Mwenzwa, A. Makinua, & E. S. Gudhlanga (Eds.), *Public Policy Transformations in Africa: Trends, Challenges and the Future*. Rome: EUSER, pp. 333-350.

Kigodi, H.M. and **Poncian, J.** 2015. The Gender-Energy Nexus in Tanzania: Assessing Rural Electrification in the Context of Gender Mainstreaming among Women. In P.B. Mihyo & T.E. Mukuna (Eds.), *The Gender-Energy Nexus in Eastern and Southern Africa*. Addis Ababa: Organisation for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa (OSSREA), pp. 59-84.

Poncian, J. 2015. Explaining Election Violence in Tanzania: The Interplay Between the Union Politics and Electoral Administration and Management. In P.B. Mihyo (Ed), *Election Processes, Management and Election-based Violence in Eastern and Southern Africa*. Addis Ababa: Organisation for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa (OSSREA), pp. 123-142.

3. Conference presentations

Poncian, J. 2018. *Between Policy and Practice: Government's Response to Community Initiatives to Participate in Tanzania's Gas Sector Governance*. Presented at the 25th

International Political Science Association (IPSA)'s World Congress of Political Science: Borders and Margins, Brisbane, Australia, 21-25 July.

Poncian, J. 2018. *Extractive Reforms and National Competitiveness*. Poster presented at the 23rd Repoa Annual Research Workshop: Towards an Industrializing Society: why national competitiveness matters, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, 4-5 April.

Poncian, J. 2018. *Government Crackdown on Foreign Investors in Tanzania: Sliding Back to Socialist Policies?* Presented at the 9th Australian International Political Economy Network (AIPEN) Workshop, Melbourne, Australia, 8-9 February.

Poncian, J. and Jose, J. 2017. *National Resource Ownership and Community Engagement in Tanzania's Natural Gas Governance*. Presented at the Australian Political Studies Association (APSA) conference: Democracy and Populism: A New Age of Extremes? Melbourne, Australia, 25-27 September.

Poncian, J. 2017. *Gas, Government and Communities*. Poster presented at the 22nd Repoa Annual Research Workshop: Why Institutions Matter for Industrialization-led Development, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, 29-30 March.

Poncian, J. and Jose, J. 2016. *Making Hydrocarbon Extraction Work for Tanzania: Why Tanzania Needs Active Community Engagement in Gas Governance*. Presented at the Fourth Tanzania Oil and Gas Conference and Exhibitions: Oil and Gas Towards Growth, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, 20-21 October.

Poncian, J. 2014. *Fighting Corruption, Embezzlement and Fraud in the Local Government Authorities in Tanzania: Are the Audit Reports Making an Impact?* Presented at the Second International Conference on Democratic Governance in Africa, Asia and Middle East: Accountability and Youth Engagement for Sustainable Development, Kigali, Rwanda, 30 June-3 July.

Poncian, J. 2014. *Balancing the Needs of Citizens and Corporate Interests: Tanzania's Mineral Sector Regulation and its Relevance to Mozambique*. Paper presented at the 4th International Conference of the Institute of Social and Economic Studies (IESE): "State, Natural Resources and Conflict: Actors and Dynamics", Maputo, Mozambique, 27-28 August.

Poncian, J. 2013. *Towards a Gas Led Economy in Tanzania: Potential Challenges*. Presented at the Second Tanzanian Oil and Gas Conference and Exhibition, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, 23-25 October.

4. Other publications (non-peer reviewed)

Poncian, J. 2015. The Persistence of Western Negative Perceptions about Africa: Factoring in the Role of Africans. *Journal of African Studies and Development*, 7 (3): 72-80. DOI: 10.5897/JASD2014.0317

Poncian, J. and Mgaya, E.S. 2015. Africa's Leadership Challenges in the 21st Century: What Can Leaders Learn from Africa's Pre-Colonial Leadership and Governance? *International Journal of Social Science Studies*, 3 (3): 106-115. DOI: 10.11114/ijsss.v3i3.710.

Poncian, J. 2015. Christian-Muslim Relations in Tanzania: A Threat to Future Stability and Peace? *Research on Humanities and Social Sciences*, 5 (3): 54-64.

Poncian, J. and Mpambije, C.J. 2015. The Fallacy of Limited Financial Resources for Development in Tanzania: Evidence from Local Government Authorities Audit Reports. *Public Policy and Administration Research*, vol. 5 (2): 39-50.

Poncian, J. and George, C. 2015. Mineral Extraction for Socio-Economic Transformation of Tanzania: The Need to Move from Papers to Implementation of Mining Policy and Law. *Journal of Social Science Studies*, 2 (2): 160-175. DOI: 10.5296/jsss.v2i2.745.

Poncian, J. 2014. Embracing Natural Gas Discovery and Extraction as a Blessing for Equitable and Sustainable Benefits to Tanzania. *IOSR Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences*, 19 (6): 55-61. DOI: 10.9790/0837-19625561

5. Work in progress

Resource Governance and Community Participation: Making Hydrocarbon Extraction Work for Tanzania (Co-authored with Jim Jose). *Resources Policy*. (Status: Major revision).

Confronting the Power of Multinational Corporations in Resource Rich Countries: A Case of Tanzania's 2017 Extractive Sector Reforms. *Political Geography*. (Status: Major revision).

National Resource Ownership and Community Engagement in Tanzania's Natural Gas Governance (Co-authored with Jim Jose). *Energy Policy* (Status: Submitted).

Detriments of colonialism on indigenous conflict resolution: An Analysis of Pakistan and Tanzania (co-authored with Farooq Yousaf). *Contemporary Justice Review* (Status: Minor revision)

Between Policy and Practice: Government's Response to Community Initiatives to Participate in Tanzania's Gas Sector Governance. *Energy Research and Social Science* (Status: Under review)

AWARDS, GRANTS AND HONOURS

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| 2018 | Australian Political Studies Association (APSA)
Awarded the Postgraduate Travel Award worth AU\$ 1,000 |
| 2016 | Faculty of Business and Law, University of Newcastle
Awarded the 2016 Faculty award for Outstanding Confirmation Presentation |
| 2016 | Policy Research for Development (REPOA)
Awarded a grant worth US\$ 5100 for PhD data collection costs. The grant was awarded as part of REPOA's capacity building under its Tanzania as a future petro-state: prospects and challenges project. |
| 2015 | University of Newcastle, Australia |

- 2014-2015 Coordinator, History, Political Science and Development Studies Unit,
Mkwawa University College of Education.
- 2014-2015 Deputy Chairperson, University of Dar es Salaam Academic Staff Assembly-
Mkwawa University College of Education (UDASA-MUCE).
- 2014- 2015 Assistant Coordinator for Research, College Postgraduate Studies, Research
and Consultancy Unit (CPRC), Mkwawa University College of Education

LANGUAGES

Swahili (Native speaker)

English (Fluent)