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SKILLS

- Project management
- Data analysis
- Proposal development
- Research communication
- Photography

EDUCATION

- **PhD. Entomology:** University of Fort Hare, Alice, Eastern Cape Province South Africa, May 2017.
- **M. Phil Entomology:** University of Ghana, Legon, December 2007.
- **B.Sc Biology:** University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast-Ghana, June 2004.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- English – Native

Daniel is a service-focused scientist and an effective manager of people and processes. He is endowed with excellent inter-personal skills and has more than 13 years of experience in research and development. He has participated in many plant germplasm collecting missions and has a wealth of experience in the collecting and conservation of cultivated crops and their wild relatives.

EXPERIENCE

1st July 2021 – Date: Acting Director/Head of the (CSIR-PGRRI), the National Genebank of Ghana with responsibility for:

- The day-to-day administration of the affairs of the Genebank.
- Establishing effective linkages with relevant institutions and agencies within and outside the CSIR-Ghana.
- Co-ordinating prioritised research of the CSIR-PGRRI under the broad guidance of the Director-General, CSIR.
- Promoting the transfer of technology to industry/agricultural businesses and the commercialisation of research in general.
- Co-ordination of research funding initiatives and provision of services and inputs to determine research priorities as well as formulate and implement Science and Technology plans.

1st September, 2019 – 30th June, 2021: Acting Deputy Director, CSIR-PGRRI:

- Acted in the absence of the Director
- Co-ordinated and reported on all research activities of the various divisions of the CSIR-PGRRI
- Chaired the resource mobilisation (drafting and submission of concept notes and proposals) committee of the CSIR-PGRRI
- Ensured the collation, editing and submission of quarterly, mid-year, annual and any other reports of the CSIR-PGRRI.

SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS

- Focal person, characterisation, evaluation, conservation and distribution of cereal, legume and root and tuber crop germplasm under the auspice of the Modernising Agriculture in Ghana (MAG) Project funded by Global Affairs Canada.
- Team leader, taro (*Colocasia esculenta*) germplasm collecting expedition in three regions of Ghana that resulted in the identification of some indigenous germplasm tolerant to the taro leaf blight disease.
- Co-ordinated the external review of the current institutional and technical capacity, adequacy of facilities and operational procedures of the CSIR-PGRRI to meet the challenges of long-term conservation and use of key global collections held by national seedbanks.
- Co-ordinated the development of a review action plan and a genebank user group engagement work plan proposal which have been approved for funding under the Seeds for Resilience Project (CropTrust).
- Co-ordinated the development of standard operating procedures (SOPs) for the Ghana genebank.