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## Online Profiles

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## Education

M.A. in Peace & Conflict Studies  
European Center for Peace Studies (EPU)  
Stadtschlaing, Austria

B.A. in International Relations *cum laude*  
Saint Joseph's University

## Continuing Education

Child Protection: Child Rights in Theory &  
Practice, Certificate  
Harvard EdX

INSPIRE Master Course Training  
International Society for the Prevention of  
Child Abuse & Neglect

Child Protection, Monitoring & Rehabilitation,  
Certificate  
Austrian Study Centre for Peace & Conflict  
Resolution (ASPR—IPT)

Technology in Monitoring & Evaluation,  
Diploma  
TechChange

Peacebuilding Peacelearning Intensive  
National Peace Academy (USA)

“Caring For Vulnerable Children” & “Getting  
Care Right for All Children” course audit  
University of Strathclyde [FutureLearn]

Child Safeguarding Training (several)  
Various groups including Veritas

Youth Mental Health First Aid USA  
National Council for Community Behavioral  
Healthcare

Audited multiple EdX, Coursera, &  
FutureLearn courses

## Introduction

I have worked directly and indirectly with a variety of populations vulnerable to abuse and exploitation — from immigrants & refugees to orphans, from women & children living in poverty to sexual abuse survivors — and with the organizations seeking to provide safe environments and services to these individuals. Situations and topics have included war refugee camps & services, SEA, human trafficking, sexual harassment, domestic violence, disabilities, cyber-abuse & grooming, and sexual explicit material.

Organizational policy solutions to safeguarding do not always adapt well to international settings, diverse populations, or on-the-ground needs. I help organizations translate policies and industry best practices & guidelines to application, implementation, and actual use by users. In the pursuit of this, I conducted my own research on child safeguarding & protection in grassroots INGOs to identify implementation and protection roadblocks despite available protocols and resources. I created free resources including videos on Child Protection Toolkit to address specific needs and cultural hurdles. I have worked with a number of organizations to provide strategic thinking, risk & threat identification, resources, and auditing of programming

A life-long learner, I continue to take courses and study emerging best practices & research, vulnerable populations, and developing threats. I believe in a holistic view and an organizational culture of safety so that solutions are not siloed to only one population and are adaptive to dynamic challenges.

## Relevant Work Experience

March 2013—Present, **Grassroots INGO & Child Safeguarding & Protection Consultant**  
Self-Employed [www.amystravis.com](http://www.amystravis.com)

- ◇ Audited programs & training projects
- ◇ Trained international staff on Child Protection issues via a series of webinars
- ◇ Wrote & advised on 8 child safeguarding policies & supporting documents
- ◇ Provided strategic planning & consultancy on INGO management & programming
- ◇ Created monitoring & evaluation plan for OVC reintegration training program
- ◇ Wrote 3 Impact Reports
- ◇ Supported the formal partnership of two organizations
- ◇ Clients include: Kitechild, Mission to the World, Communitas International, Liberia Mission, Inc., One27 Academy, Outdoor Adventures, and Traveler Not Tourist

April 2014 — Present, **Founder & Principal**

Child Protection Toolkit [www.childprotectiontoolkit.com](http://www.childprotectiontoolkit.com)

- ◇ Surveyed grassroots INGOs about safeguarding needs
- ◇ Researched, designed, and created resources (documents & multimedia)
- ◇ Created, maintained, implemented, marketed, and funded the project

October 2016—August 2017, **Shared Director**

Intercultural Consultation Services Remote/Washington DC, USA

- ◇ Trained groups & creating training materials for intercultural communication and cultural norms, particularly for preparing & debriefing from overseas immersion trips

September 2012—January 2013, **Country Director**

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Njabini, Kenya

- ◇ Supervised finances, volunteer program, school, CCI, and outreach project

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## Computer Skills

Microsoft365  
Google Workspace  
Video Conferencing  
Adobe Suite  
Canva (publication design)  
Vyond (animation)  
QuestionPro (survey)  
Wix & Wordpress (website)

## Skills

Team Player	Detail-Oriented
Self-Motivated	Responds Well to
Culturally-Sensitive	Emergency Situations
Quick Learner	Problem-Solver
Strategic Thinker	Discreet

## Languages

English (native)  
Spanish (basic)  
German (basic)

## Professional Organizations

International Society for the Prevention of  
Child Abuse & Neglect (ISPCAN),  
2016—Present

Peace & Justice Studies Association,  
2007-2017

United Nations Association—USA,  
2015-2017

## Hobbies

Traveling to Micro-States  
Baking  
Hiking  
Ultimate Frisbee

## Relevant Work Experience (continued)

April 2010—May 2011, **Child Protection Officer & Program Coordinator**

Franciscan Works + Liberia Mission Blacktom Town, Liberia

- ◊ Wrote, implemented & trained staff & children on child safeguarding policy
- ◊ Investigated allegations and suspicions of historic & present abuse
- ◊ Liaised with in-country NGOs and government ministries

May 2007 — November 2009, **Jerusalem 2050 Project Manager**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Cambridge, MA, USA

- ◊ Navigated communication on highly sensitive political topics surrounding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict
- ◊ Managed 500K budget and all administrative aspects of the project
- ◊ Organized, designed, and coordinated an international competition, fellowship for 9 people, and various speaker events.

## Volunteer Positions

January 2022—Present, **Room Parent & Board of Directors: Fundraising, Annual Appeal**

Roxbury Weston Programs, Inc. Weston, MA

January 2016—2019, **Board of Directors, Child Protection Officer & Secretary**

Franciscan Works + Liberia Mission Remote/Washington DC

2013 Season & 2015 Half-Season, **Program Volunteer**

Iona Community, Camas Centre Isle of Mull, Scotland

- ◊ Led programming aimed at vulnerable youth at an outdoor adventure-learning center

Summer 2010, **Short-term Volunteer**

Cabrini Immigrant Services New York City, USA

- ◊ Various tasks including: taught ESL & computer classes, legal applications, outreach

## Publications

“Child Protection: A Survey of Small INGOs,” white paper,  
www.childprotectiontoolkit.com. 17 July 2015.

## Conference Presentations

“Compassionate outreach: ensuring child safety in an age of grassroots INGOs & volunteerism,” ISPCAN International Congress, Prague, Czech Republic, 3 Sept 2018.

## Recent Conferences

International Safeguarding Conference, virtual, May-July 2021

International Symposium: Faith & Flourishing, virtual, April 2021

ISPCAN International Congress, Prague, Czech Republic, 3-5 September 2018

Catholic Church Anglophone Safeguarding Conference, Rome, Italy, 18-21 June 2018

Answering Pope Francis’s Call: An American Catholic Response to Modern-Day Slavery,  
Washington DC, USA, 9-10 July 2015

## Awards

Teach Peace, “Peace Excellence” Award, 2010

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, “Unsung Hero” Award, 2008

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, “Infinite Mile” Award, 2008