

CURRICULUM VITAE – CHEPCHIRCHIR, FRIDAH

1. Family Name

CHEPCHIRCHIR

2. First Name(s)

FRIDAH

3. Education and Training

Institution	Dates	Degree/Diploma Obtained	Principal Subjects / Occupational Skills
Freie Universität Bozen, Südtirol, Italy	Nov 2024 – Present	PhD, Mountain Environment and Agriculture (Sustainable Food Systems)	Ecosystem services, honey production, pollination, statistical modelling
Egerton University	Sep 2018 – 2023	M.Sc. Agricultural Economics	Economic burden of Tuta absoluta; IPM demand; agricultural economics
Egerton University	Sep 2013 – 2017	B.A. Economics and History	Economics, history, policy analysis, statistics
Certified Public Accountant	Nov 2018	CPA Finalist	Accounting, auditing, financial management
Kapsabet Girls Secondary School	Dec 2012	KCSE	Sciences, business, humanities

4. Language Skills (CEFR)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
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English	C2	C2	C2
Swahili	C2	C2	C2
Italian	A1	A1	A1
French	A1	A1	A1

5. Membership of Professional Bodies

- International Association of Agricultural Economics (IAAE), Member (since 2021)
- African Association of Agricultural Economists (AAAE), Member (since 2023)

6. Other Skills

- Advanced data analysis: STATA, R, SPSS
- Literature review and scientific writing
- Survey design and implementation (qualitative & quantitative)
- Project coordination, stakeholder engagement, and reporting
- Strong communication and presentation skills

7. Key Qualifications

- Strong foundation in agricultural economics, food systems, and sustainable agriculture.
- Skilled in policy analysis, impact assessment, and integrated pest management economics.
- Experienced in both academic research and applied fieldwork in Kenya and Uganda.
- Published in peer-reviewed journals and presented at international conferences.
- Expertise in accounting, project management, and monitoring and evaluation.

8. Professional Experience

Jul 2024 – Oct 2024

International Centre for Insect Physiology and Ecology (icipe)

Transition Research Officer

- Engaged stakeholders
- Prepared research reports and policy briefs
- Designed & conducted socioeconomic surveys
- Statistical analysis

Aug 2019 – May 2024

International Centre for Insect Physiology and Ecology (icipe)

Graduate Research Assistant

- Conducted surveys and interviews
- Verified and entered data
- Coordinated fieldwork logistics
- Ensured data quality

9. Other Relevant Information

Publications:

1. Chepchirchir, F. et al. (2021). Knowledge, attitude, and practices on *Tuta absoluta* management and IPM demand. *Agriculture*, 11(12), 1242.
<https://doi.org/10.3390/agriculture11121242>
2. Chepchirchir, F. et al. (2023). Economic, health, and environmental burden of *Tuta absoluta* in tomato production in Kenya and Uganda. *Journal of Economic Entomology*.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/jee/toad163>

Conference Presentations:

- AAAE Conference, Durban, South Africa (Nov 2023)
- International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE), Netherlands (Aug 2021)
- Egerton University Postgraduate Research Dissemination Workshop, Nakuru, Kenya (Nov 2019)

Awards and Fellowships:

- 2023: Travel grant (USD 2000), AAAE Conference, Durban, South Africa
- 2019–2021: MSc Fellowship, DRIP Program, icipe

Short Courses:

- Science Paper Writing & Publishing (icipe, 2019)
- Statistics Training (icipe, 2019)
- Stata Training (Egerton University, 2019)
- R Programming Training (icipe, 2020)