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Chief Project Implementation Officer

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE:

I am the Chief Project Implementation Officer of ALLCOT AG, project developer of climate change mitigation project activities certified in UNFCCC and voluntary markets, as Gold Standard, CCB, REDD+ Plan Vivo and VCS with more than 15 years of experience. I have been actively involved in mitigation activities, with a special focus in projects located in Africa, Latin America and Caribbean countries. I have been working on validation and verification of renewable projects; also, REDD and ARR projects, cogeneration, biomass and biogas projects, fuel switch, efficient stoves distribution and street and housing lightings. On the other hand, I am also involved in environmental consultancy activities focuses in sustainability solutions for different kind of companies (carbon and water footprint, offsetting, emission reduction plans, energy efficiency...etc)

I am managing a team of a multidisciplinary and multicultural team of 29 technicians located in different parts of the world. I am in charge to build executive decisions with regard to the technical interests of ALLCOT. I am responsible for outlining the development of the projects, to ensure that the technical resources are aligned with the company's business needs. I report directly to ALLCOT's CEO and the Managing Director.

EXPERIENCE:

- September 2018-currently. ALLCOT GROUP. **Chief Project Implementation Officer**

Functions:

- ✓ CDM, Gold Standard and VCS: validation, registration and verification/certification activities of the projects included in the pipeline of the company: REDD, ARR, IFM, cookstoves, Renewable energy, landfill gas to energy and Wetland Restoration projects.
 - ✓ Dealing with DOEs/WVBs, project owners, partners and other stakeholders.
 - ✓ Providing consultancy services for organization, event and product carbon footprint, as well as life cycle assessment (LCA), emissions reduction plans, offsetting and certification, and sustainability.
 - ✓ Providing overall technical guidance and support to the team and other departments.
 - ✓ Effectively leading the technical team formed by 22 technicians located in Spain, Colombia, Dakar and Mexico.
 - ✓ Reporting to the Board of Directors.
- Oct 2007-September 2018. AENOR - Climate Change Unit. **Climate change and sustainability auditor**

Functions:

- ✓ Team leader, validator and verifier accredited by UNFCCC, Gold Standard and VCS for CDM project activities in 15 sectoral scopes.
- ✓ Chief auditor of GHG scheme (EU Emissions trading system).
- ✓ Energy Management Auditor (ISO 50001) in building and manufacturing sector.
- ✓ Carbon footprint auditor (PAS 2050, ISO 14067, GHG Protocol, ISO 14064).
- ✓ Leading the accreditation process of AENOR as DOE under the UNFCCC.
- ✓ Coordinate the commercial relationship with the principal Carbon and Multilateral Funds as World Bank and IDB.
- ✓ Develop, organize and participate as speaker in different courses and seminars in climate change field, mainly in mitigation projects, forestry sector and carbon footprint.

Achievements:

- ✓ Registration as team leader of the first Programme of Activities located in Africa.
- ✓ Member of a multidisciplinary team for training of majors of different municipalities located in Dominican Republic to implement biogas recovery system and electricity generation in landfills.

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- ✓ Design of a Monitoring, Reporting and Verification of several NAMAs related to distribution of efficient cookstoves and fuel switch.
- ✓ Design and management of an internal tool of requirements stated by the Executive Board of the UNFCCC as the main internal tool of the CDM auditors.
- ✓ Organize and participate in the accreditation audits performed by the Accreditation Body of the UNFCCC.
- ✓ Community manager of the Climate Change group of AENOR in LinkedIn.
- ✓ Fidelizing great clients as World Bank, Spanish electricity utilities, or Interamerican Development Bank.
- May - Oct 2007. **INDRA SISTEMAS, S.A. Carbon and environmental consultant.**
Functions: Carbon Market Consultant.

Achievements:

- ✓ Development and marketing of a CO₂ Management Software in power companies.
- ✓ Technical Analysis of CO₂ and other commodities Trading Applications. London.
- ✓ Design, development and marketing of a building energy efficiency computing application.
- Aug 2002 – May 2007. **NOVOTEC CONSULTORES, S.A. Climate change consultant.**
Functions:

- ✓ Project management and elaboration of the documented associated to each project to be registered as CDM Project activity in the framework of UNFCCC.
- ✓ Technical analysis of CDM methodologies to be approved by the UNFCCC.
- ✓ Elaboration and assessment of the Allocations reports of different companies in the framework of the National Allocation Plan of Spain (EU ETS).
- ✓ Environmental consultant: Environmental impact assessment studies.
- ✓ Environment Management System implementation (ISO 14.001 and EMAS).

Achievements:

- ✓ Identification of new potential areas and projects to be developed under the CDM
- ✓ Speaker in different conferences: agriculture and forestry sectors mainly.
- ✓ Teacher of trainings in climate change field.
- ✓ Elaboration and design of a CO₂ Management tool for different companies with the aim of accomplishment of the national commitments in the framework of the European Emission trading scheme.
- September 1999-June 2001. **Natural Sciences National Museum.** Scientific Research at Herpetology department.

EDUCATION

- **Degree in Biology.** Complutense University of Madrid
- **Quality, Environment and LPR Management System Postgrade.** IFE, Madrid
- **Environmental Impact Assessment Postgrade.** Complutense University of Madrid
- **Pedagogical aptitude master,** (teacher of Secondary High School). Complutense University of Madrid

SKILLS

International experience and ability to work in a fast-paced, dynamic team and environment. Ability to think laterally and adapt previous experience and solutions to new projects. Willingness to move from country to country. Flexible, creative and innovative thinker.

COURSES, LECTURES, SEMINARS

- Sustainable Agricultural Land Management Projects: Soil Carbon Monitoring – Open Learning Campus, World Bank.
- Economics of Climate-Resilient development -- Open Learning Campus, World Bank.
- Climate Change financing - Open Learning Campus, World Bank
- MRV Systems for Entity-Level (Greenhouse Gas Emissions) - Open Learning Campus, World Bank
- Chain of Custody of Forest Based Products and activities – PEFC and FSC standards
- Environmental Management Systems Implementation, ISO 14001 – EMAS

LANGUAGES

- Spanish: native speaker. English: very good command / highly proficiency spoken and written. French: initial level