



MARC STEINLIN

M.Sc. in Cities, MA Sociology, CAS in International Development

Managing Partner / Senior Consultant

Marc is deeply involved in creating prolific conditions, designing and facilitating conducive transformational processes in social systems, organisations, communities and more recently specifically in urban spaces.

With a background in sociology, international relations and international law (University of Zürich) he specialised in programme management and knowledge management in international development and cooperation. He worked for the international development NGO Helvetas (Switzerland) until migrating to South Africa, where he started his own boutique consulting company IngeniousPeoplesKnowledge Consultants (I-P-K) in 2006. Under his leadership, I-P-K has since delivered dozens of mandates for UN Agencies, international donor agencies, public sector institutions and civil society organisations across the entire African continent, in Europe and Asia.

He got increasingly entangled in grappling with issues of complexity at the source of many transformational challenges and has advanced the design and facilitation of highly participatory processes, from small group events to whole system processes and large multi-stakeholder platforms to create strategies, devise policies, innovate, leverage diversity and harness conflict constellations. He has consulted in a wide spectrum of issues, inter alia entrepreneurship promotion, gender/equality/diversity,

financial literacy and inclusion, green economy promotion, social protection, judiciary and police reform, participatory and situational leadership development, organisational development to name a few.

Marc loves tackling intricated situations, dive deeply into the interwoven fabric of social issues, inter-personal dynamics and technical matter and facilitates sense-making and problem-solving.

A few years back he had been enthralled by the urban realm as the epitome of a complex and adaptive system, where spatial, social, economic and environmental issues intersect in an drastically dense and dynamic manner. The rapid rise of urban issues for all future development has led him to study urban systems intensely, initially through courses in regional and urban studies at Stellenbosch University (South Africa) and later at the London School of Economics and Political Science, where he completed his second master degree, an Exec MSc in Cities.

His focus has now turned towards issues of coping with urban complexities, public participation and active citizenship, of the intersection of expert knowledge and broad democratic involvement especially around questions of urban planning, urban governance and urban inclusion.

EDUCATION

London School of Economics, MSc in Cities, with commendation

Post-Graduate Certificate in International Development, Federal Institute of Technology (NADEL/ETHZ), Zürich/Switzerland

Master of Arts in Sociology, International Law and International Relations, University of Zürich, Switzerland, with summa cum laude

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

2006

Founder, Managing Partner & Senior Consultant, IngeniousPeoplesKnowledge Consultants CC, Cape Town RSA

Design & facilitation of numerous change processes in public institutions (policy, strategy, programme, teams & networks); develop & deliver training curricula in change management & leadership

2002 - 2006

Senior Programme Coordinator, Helvetas Swiss Association for International Cooperation

Leading & developing Helvetas' global knowledge management initiative; driving the ICT-for-development portfolio; development of new M&E systems; technical advice on Human-rights based approach to development

2000 - 2002

Programme Coordinator, Helvetas Swiss Association for International Cooperation

Developing global knowledge & knowledge management projects for the organisation & various of its projects

1998 - 1999

Internship, Helvetas Swiss Association for International Cooperation

Developing global knowledge & knowledge management projects for the organisation & various of its projects