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SUMMARY

I am a positive leader with great enthusiasm for challenges in the work environment. I develop and integrate multidisciplinary teams to carry out diverse projects. My technical and social profile allows me to adapt myself to change in various situations without losing focus on the main objectives.

EXPERIENCE

Independent Environmental Consultant – LATAM (2010 – Present)

- Managed environmental, and health and safety projects, including more than 50 commercial and industrial facilities in Argentina, Chile, Brazil, Peru and Colombia. Successfully implemented short, medium and long term policies, including mitigation measures and remedial plans to comply with local and corporate requirements.

National Government of Argentina

Executive Director at the National at *Agency for Disability (2017 – 2018)*

- Responsible for the implementation of the Argentine National Disability Plan, managing a budget of three billion dollars, leading teams of more than 1,200 employees and reporting directly to the National President.

Secretary of Environmental Monitoring and Control at *Environmental Ministry (2015 – 2017)*

- Oversaw development and implementation of a coordinated national policy for environmental inspection and pollution prevention. Generated mechanisms to disseminate information and endorse stakeholders in order to promote environmental awareness and engagement.

Government of the City of Buenos Aires

General Environmental Manager at *Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (2014 – 2015)*

- Special projects coordinator. Environmental political adviser, focused on hazardous waste management. Negotiated agreements with the recycling industry to implement environmental cooperation projects.

Recycling General Manager at *Ministry of Environment (2013 – 2014)*

- Developed and implemented recycling programs, built industry relationships to phase in new recycling technology, and oversaw coordination of Unions and Working Groups to promote integrated programs.

Environmental Advisor at *Ministry of Economic Development (2012 – 2013)*

- Developed environmental policy, coordinated sustainability programs in low-income areas in the City.

Cascos Verdes (Green Helmets) Non-Profit Organization (2007 – 2012)

- Founder of the organization. Built Memoranda of Understanding and cooperation agreements with Universities and Schools to implement the Environmental Awareness programs for people with intellectual disabilities. Specialized in planning and project development including budgeting, business proposals, personnel management, and risk analysis.

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION

University Of California, Santa Barbara UCSB: Student in the Master of Environmental Science and Management.

Universidad del Salvador USAL: Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Science - 2012

Project Management Institute: Project Manager. Licensee 1375-PM01CB - 2010

Workshop on waste management and natural resources. Taiwan. Grant awarded by the Government of Taiwan and the International Cooperation and Development Fund - 2016

AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- *United Nations* - Gender Pioneer for a Future Detoxified - 2017 Conferences of the Parties (COP) to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions, in Geneva, awarded as "Gender Pioneer".
- *Ernst & Young* - Social Entrepreneur of the Year 2013
- *Legislature of the City of Buenos Aires* - Outstanding Personality of Human Rights | Law no. 4444 CABA – 2012
- *El Trece TV "Abanderados de la Argentina"* - Valedictorian of Argentina – National television award that recognizes the best entrepreneurs - 2012
- *Junior Chamber International (JCI) & Cámara de Comercio Argentina* - Outstanding Young Person Award in the Social Environmental Category - 2010

PUBLICATIONS

Solid Waste Can Stop Being a Problem - 2015

This book shows a model of regional public management and discusses how political decisions can replace the trash-as-waste paradigm with a new one, with the premise that the solid waste can stop being a problem.

LANGUAGES

English | Portuguese | Spanish