# **Cedric Sean Okinda**

Researcher, Lecturer



# Profile

Highly ambitious, performance-driven Electrical and Electronics Engineering professional, with a successful track record of over six years experience in research, development and implementation of intelligent automated systems.

Strong capacity to manage projects on strict timelines directed by the outlined objectives

Outstanding written and oral communication skills with comprehensive experience in numerous forms of dissemination of information and knowledge.

Author of over 30 research, review, and survey articles.

Strives to make every day substantial and meaningful by performing to the best of my ability and any other responsibility delegated in an ethical manner.

# Education

# Ph.D. in Agricultural Electrification and Automation Engineering.

September 2017 – December 2021. Nanjing Agricultural University, Nanjing, China.

Master degree in Agricultural Electrification and Automation Engineering. September 2014 – June 2017 Nanjing Agricultural University, Nanjing, China.

#### Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) in Electrical and Electronics Engineering.

August 2007 – December 2012 Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya.

# **Employment History**

Lecturer at Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, Kakamega, Kenya.

November 2021 – Present. Lecturer in the Department of Engineering and Communication Engineering

# Tutorial Fellow at Egerton University of Science and Technology, Nakuru,

**Kenya.** July 2021 – October 2021. Lecturer in the Faculty of Engineering and Technology.

**Ph.D. Research Scholar, at Nanjing Agricultural University, Nanjing, China.** September 2017 – June 2021.

Research, development and implementation of smart farms systems and detection technology in agricultural systems.

## Details

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#### Nationality

Kenyan

Links Research Gate LinkedIn Google Scholar ORCID

Skills Research

Project Planning

Project Management

Data Science

MATLAB & Python

OpenCV

Artificial Intelligence

**Computer Applications** 

Languages English

Kiswahili

Chinese

Hobbies Soccer, Reading, Hiking, Watching Documentaries, Community Work

#### Teaching Assistant at Nanjing Agricultural University, Nanjing, China.

March 2016 – November 2019.

Teaching assistant in the department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering

#### Lecturer at Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology, Bondo, Kenya.

July 2016 – Present. Part-time lecturer in the School of Informatics and Innovative Systems.

#### **Professional Registration**

Registered Graduate Engineer. 2013 – Present: Engineers Registration Board of Kenya. Member No B 7685 Registered Graduate Member. 2021 – Present: Institute of Engineers of Kenya. Member No G 9768

#### **Teaching and Research Interests**

Smart Farm systems Electronics and Electrical systems Artificial Intelligence Big Data Analytics and Systems Internet of Things Computer Vision and Machine Vision Deep Learning and Machine Learning Animal welfare monitoring systems Robotics and Teleoperation Electrical Control Systems

#### **Key Research Projects**

Co-pi; Funded by the World Bank through Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization under Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project "Validation of improved biomass cook stoves in Baringo and West Pokot counties" Funding: £. 130,037.21 Duration: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Lead researcher; grant from the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland acting through Department for International Development (DFID). "Development and evaluation of solar electric pressure cookers- case study in Mogotio and Mbaruk" Funding: £. 126,581.00. Duration: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021

#### Publications: Dissertations/Theses

The Application of Computer Vision in The Monitoring of Welfare-Related Phenotypic Indices in Livestock: A Case Study in Chicken and Pigs. December 2021. Ph.D. Thesis: Nanjing Agricultural University.

Research, Design, And Implementation of Swine Live Weight Estimation by Adaptive Neuro-Fuzzy Inference System.

June 2017. M.Sc. Thesis: Nanjing Agricultural University.

#### **Publications: Journal Articles**

On-line weight estimation of broiler carcass and cuts by a computer vision system September, 2021. Poultry Science. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.psj.2021.101474

Weight and volume estimation of single and occluded tomatoes using machine vision.

June 2021. International Journal of Food Properties. https://doi.org/10.1080/10942912.2021.1933024

Effect of no-till precise seeding on wheat (*Triticum Aestivum L*.) population quality at the emergence stage.

June 2021. Journal of Animal and Plant Sciences https://doi.org/10.36899/JAPS.2022.1.0414

Medial axis-based machine-vision system for orchard robot navigation. April, 2021. Computers and Electronics in Agriculture. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compag.2021.106153</u>

Factors Affecting Adaptation to Climate Change through Agroforestry in Kenya. April, 2021. Land. <u>https://doi.org/10.3390/land10040371</u>

Short-term feeding behaviour sound classification method for sheep using LSTM networks. March 2021. International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering. <u>https://doi.org/10.25165/j.ijabe.20211402.6081</u>

Weight and volume estimation of poultry and products based on computer vision systems: A review. February, 2021. Poultry Science. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.psj.2021.101072</u>

Separation of partially occluded rice kernels and variety classification based on computer vision. November 2020. International Agricultural Engineering Journal <u>http://114.255.9.31/iaej/EN/Y2020/V29/I4/23</u>

A review on computer vision systems in monitoring of poultry: A welfare perspective\*. September, 2020. Artificial Intelligence in Agriculture. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aiia.2020.09.002</u>

Wheat Grain Yield Estimation Based on Image Morphological Properties and Wheat Biomass. September, 2020. Journal of Sensors. <u>https://doi.org/10.1155/2020/1571936</u>

Approaches used to model prediction of cutting forces for tillage tools: A review. June, 2020. International Agricultural Engineering Journal. <u>http://114.255.9.31/iaej/EN/abstract/abstract1167.shtml</u>

Factors influencing marketing channel choices for improved indigenous chicken farmers: insights from Baringo, Kenya. May, 2020. British Food Journal. https://doi.org/10.1108/BFJ-11-2019-0841

Egg volume estimation based on image processing and computer vision\*. March, 2020. Journal of Food Engineering. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfoodeng.2020.110041</u>

Construction of sheep forage intake estimation models based on sound analysis. February, 2020. Biosystems Engineering. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biosystemseng.2020.01.024 Factors Influencing Smallholder Farmers Participation in Collective Marketing and the Extent of Participation in Improved Indigenous Chicken Markets in Baringo, Kenya January, 2020. Asian Journal of Agricultural Extension, Economics & Sociology. <u>https://doi.org/10.9734/ajaees/2019/v37i430283</u>

A machine vision system for early detection and prediction of sick birds: A broiler chicken model\*. December, 2019. Biosystems Engineering. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biosystemseng.2019.09.015

Recognition and Classification of Broiler Droppings Based on Deep Convolutional Neural Network. November, 2019. Journal of Sensors. <u>https://doi.org/10.1155/2019/3823515</u>

Automatic recognition of sheep chewing sounds based on sparse representation classification August, 2019. International Agricultural Engineering Journal. <u>http://www.iaej.cn/EN/abstract/abstract1089.shtml</u>

Tomato volume and mass estimation using computer vision and machine learning algorithms: Cherry tomato model

July, 2019. Journal of Food Engineering. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfoodeng.2019.07.012

Development and parameter optimization of automatic separation and identification equipment for grain tracing systems based on grain tracers with QR codes July, 2019. Computers and Electronics in Agriculture. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compag.2019.04.039

A computer vision system for defect discrimination and grading in tomatoes using machine learning and image processing

June, 2019. Artificial Intelligence in Agriculture. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aiia.2019.06.001

Detection of an onset of farrowing by classification of crated sow's activities\*. December, 2018. International Agricultural Engineering Journal. <u>http://www.iaej.cn/EN/abstract/abstract827.shtml#</u>

An automatic ear base temperature extraction method for top view piglet thermal image. November, 2018. Computers and Electronics in Agriculture. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compag.2018.10.030</u>

Determination and Visualization of Different Levels of Deoxynivalenol in Bulk Wheat Kernels by Hyperspectral Imaging. November, 2018. Journal of Applied Spectroscopy. <u>https://doi.org/10.1007/s10812-018-0745-y</u>

Asphyxia occurrence detection in sows during the farrowing phase by interbirth interval evaluation\*. July, 2018. Computers and Electronics in Agriculture. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compag.2018.07.007</u>

Comparative analysis of effects of different agitation impeller designs in maintaining nutrients homogeneity in fertigation tanks.

June, 2018. International Agricultural Engineering Journal. http://www.iaej.cn/EN/abstract/abstract692.shtml

Design and realization of a greenhouse temperature intelligent control system based on NB-IoT. March, 2018. Journal of South China Agricultural University. https://doi.org/10.7671/j.issn.1001-411X.2018.02.018

Swine live weight estimation by adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference system\*. March, 2018. Indian Journal of Animal Research. <u>https://doi.org/10.18805/ijar.v0iOF.7250</u>

An Implementation of a Low-Cost Tomato Sorter by A Monochromatic Camera and Arduino. February, 2018. International Journal of Emerging Technology and Advanced Engineering. www.ijetae.com/files/Volume8Issue2/IJETAE 0218 32.pdf

Modified Conventional RGB Camera in Obtaining NDVI Spectral Bands at Ground Level Crop Canopy. February, 2018. International Journal of Emerging Technology and Advanced Engineering. <u>https://ijetae.com/files/Volume8Issue3/IJETAE\_0318\_01.pdf</u>

Ultrasound assisted alkaline pre-treatment of sugarcane filter mud for performance enhancement in biogas production.

January, 2018. International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering. https://doi.org/10.25165/j.ijabe.20181101.3441

Mass-Based Image Analysis for Evaluating Straw Cover under High Residue Farming Conditions in Rice-Wheat cropping system.

September, 2017. Agricultural Research. https://doi.org/10.1007/s40003-017-0287-1

Optimization of compression formulation and load of food-grade tracers for grain traceability using central composite design.

November, 2017. International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering. https://doi.org/10.25165/j.ijabe.20171006.3531

Sow antenatal behaviour monitoring system design based on ultrasonic. August, 2016. China Agricultural University Journal. <u>https://cdmd.cnki.com.cn/Article/CDMD-10307-1019134104.htm</u>

New-born piglet recognition method based on machine vision. June, 2016. Journal of Nanjing Agricultural University. https://www.cnki.com.cn/Article/CJFDTotal-NJNY201701024.htm

Implementation Web Decision Support Model for Predicting Performance of Field Machinery Operation (DWDSS).

July, 2015. International Journal of Engineering Works. https://zenodo.org/record/27266#.YFJErtxRW00

Intelligent Energy Saving Systems\*.

December, 2015. International Journal of Emerging Technology and Advanced Engineering. http://www.ijetae.com/files/Volume5Issue12/IJETAE 1215 29.pdf

## **Professional Appointments & Assignments**

Journal of Cleaner Production Reviewer, (2021 ++)

Artificial Intelligence in Agriculture (Artif. Intell. Agric.) Reviewer, (2018 ++)

Journal of Food Engineering (J. Food Eng) Reviewer, (2018 ++)

International Agricultural Engineering Journal (Int. Agric. Eng. J.) Reviewer, (2017 ++)

# **Conference Attended**

Prepublication Conference on the Engineers Rules 2021 November 2021. Virtual, Kenya.

Symposium on Animal Health and Welfare. August, 2019. Shenzhen, China.

International Forum on Innovations in Food, Land, Energy and Water Systems in Asia. May, 2019. Nanjing, China.

Agricultural Internet of Things and Intelligent Agriculture Development. December, 2018. Nanjing, China.

Asia-Pacific International Congress of Plant Phenotypes. March, 2018. Nanjing, China.

International symposium on Animal Environment and Welfare. October, 2017. Chongqing, China.

Artificial Intelligence in Agriculture Seminar. April, 2017. Xi-an, China.

Asian Conference on Precision Livestock Farming. September, 2016. Beijing, China.

International symposium on Animal Environment and Welfare. October, 2015. Chongqing, China.

#### References

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