

Dr. Alan Hudson

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

- Dynamic, determined and innovative senior governance specialist
 - Fifteen years of research, policy engagement and programme management experience with DFID Ethiopia, ODI, UK Parliament and University of Cambridge
 - Demonstrated ability to improve development effectiveness by finding creative, collaborative and context-sensitive solutions to governance challenges
 - Developing country experience in Ethiopia, Ghana, Jamaica, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Somaliland, South Africa and Sudan
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SKILLS AND EXPERTISE

Core Skills

- Project design and management
- Research and data analysis
- Political economy analysis
- Stakeholder engagement
- Communicating and influencing

Governance expertise

- Aid & development effectiveness
- Governance and accountability (global, national, local, multi-level)
- State-building and peace-building
- Public financial management

Languages

- French and Spanish - intermediate
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EMPLOYMENT

Governance Adviser | [Department for International Development](#)

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | 2009 - present

Roles and responsibilities:

- Contributing to progress on poverty reduction in a challenging governance environment by designing, managing and evaluating programmes and projects
- Influencing and informing the policy and practice of bilateral and multilateral donors and the Government of Ethiopia by building relationships, and employing evidence and analysis
- Ensuring that DFID's programme of support for poverty reduction delivers value for money and forms part of a coherent UK Government engagement strategy

Key Activities (ongoing):

- Coordinating a high-profile multi-donor review of aid allocation processes
- Designing a project to improve women's representation in parliament
- Contributing to the re-design of a major programme of public sector reform
- Participating in the design of an innovative peace and development programme
- Leading DFID's efforts to enhance accountability for the delivery of basic services

Research Fellow | [Overseas Development Institute](#)

London, UK | 2005 - 2009

Roles and responsibilities:

- Informing the policy and practice of clients including DFID, the European Commission, the OECD and UNDP through the delivery of high-quality programmes of research and policy engagement
- Designing and securing funding for projects, leading teams and controlling budgets, developing relationships with clients and partner organisations

Key Achievements:

- Designed an innovative programme of research and policy engagement on [aid and domestic accountability](#) for the OECD's Governance Network
 - Contributed to the production of the [Paris Declaration Monitoring Surveys](#) on aid effectiveness in 2006 and in 2008 as a Senior Team Member
 - Designed and managed a multi-country review of [donor support to parliaments](#), with case studies in Cambodia, Ghana, Tanzania and Uganda
 - Initiated a programme of work on [donor support to political parties](#)
 - Led a major review of the OECD's work on [policy coherence for development](#)
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Committee Specialist (Adviser) | [UK Parliament, International Development Committee](#)

London, UK | 2001 - 2005

Roles and responsibilities:

- Enabling the cross-party Committee of MPs to hold DFID and the UK Government to account for its policy and practice on international development, by leading the Committee's inquiries and drafting its reports

Key Achievements:

- Led the Committee's work and drafted highly-respected and influential reports on issues including [trade](#), [migration](#), [Darfur](#), [EU aid](#), [financing for development](#) and [policy coherence](#)
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University Lecturer | [University of Cambridge, Dept. of Geography](#)

Cambridge, UK | 1995 - 2000

Roles and responsibilities:

- Improving knowledge and understanding in relation to globalisation, sovereignty and global governance by conducting research, publishing and teaching

Key Achievements:

- Designed and delivered innovative courses at undergraduate and masters level
 - Produced ground-breaking [publications](#) on issues of globalisation and sovereignty
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EDUCATION

University of Cambridge, UK 1992 – 1996

- Ph.D. in International Political Economy (Globalisation and sovereignty)

University of Bristol, UK 1989 – 1992

- B.Sc. (Social Science) in Human Geography, with First Class Honours