

# **Curriculum Vitae**

## **Manfred Venter**

**Diploma- Nature Management (3year)**

**BScAgricultural Economics (4year)**

**BSc Agricultural Economics Honours**

**Currently MSc Agricultural Economics**

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## 1.PERSONAL

**MaritalStatus** : Single  
**ID number** : 8709065257089  
**Birth date** : 6 September 1987  
**Age** : 26 years  
**Languages** : Afrikaans, English and Sesotho (50%)  
**Nationality** : South African  
**Qualification** : BSc Hon (Agricultural Economics)  
MSc Agricultural Economics (Currently)  
**Occupation** : **Junior Lecturer and Researcher**  
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## 2. ACADEMIC CAREER

All degrees and Diploma's completed and received at Higher Institution level:

Date	Degree
2008	National Diploma Nature Management (Centurion Academy)
2012	B.Sc.Agric (Agricultural Economics) <sup>1</sup>
2013	B.Sc.Agric.Hons (Agricultural Economics) <sup>2</sup>
2014	M.Sc.Agric (Agricultural Economics) Currently <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Obtained degree as best Agricultural Economics student over 4 years of study.

<sup>2</sup> Title of B.Sc. Agric Hon thesis: The evaluation of basic routine marketing and procurement strategies of white maize in South Africa (With Distinction)

<sup>3</sup> Title of M.Sc thesis: The Evaluation of basic routine marketing and procurement strategies of grains in South Africa

## 3. COMPUTER LITERACY

Spread sheets	-	MS Excel
Statistics	-	SPSS
Other	-	MS Office (Word, PowerPoint) E-mail Internet

## 4. MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Date	Description
2013 - present	International Farm Management Association (IFMA)
2011 - present	Agricultural Economics Association of South Africa (AEASA)

## 5. AWARDS/BURSARIES/ACHIEVEMENTS

Date	Description
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ABSA Award for the best student in Agricultural Economics over the four years of under graduate study at UFS</li><li>• Agricultural Economics Association of South Africa's top under grad student award.</li><li>• Presenter at the IFMA conference in Warsaw, Poland as a contributing paper, also publishing in the Journal.</li><li>• Presenter of the market outlook to the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development annual strategic session.</li><li>• Silostrat study bursary for Honours student</li><li>• Department of Agricultural Economics prize as Student Ambassador.</li><li>• Department of Agricultural Economics Chairperson of the student body known as LEKforum</li></ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Publication and Presentation of a scientific article at the AEASA conference in Bloemfontein, South Africa. (This is done as an undergraduate student)</li><li>• Department of Agricultural Economics prize as Student Ambassador.</li><li>• Department of Agricultural Economics bursary funded by Prof Johan Willemse.</li></ul>

2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pioneer foods Agri bursary</li> <li>• Presenting a poster paper at the AEASA conference in Pretoria, also obtaining the prize for the best presentation. (Competing against masters students)</li> <li>• Chairperson of the University of the Free State Cricket club</li> </ul>
2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National club champs winners in Pretoria (Cricket)</li> <li>• Free State Amateur cricket player</li> </ul>

## 6. OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Type	Description
Sport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ABSA CAPE EPIC finisher (2014)</li> <li>• Northern Transvaal cricket under 17 (2004) and under 19 (2005)</li> <li>• Northern Transvaal cricket under 19 player of the year (2005)</li> <li>• Northern Transvaal Amateur cricket (2005 – 2007)</li> <li>• Free State Amateur cricket (2009 – 2010)</li> </ul>
Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High School Deputy Head Boy HoërskoolUitsig (2005)</li> <li>• High School Student Representative Council (2002 – 2005)</li> <li>• Chairperson and President Kovsie Cricket (2011)</li> <li>• Chairperson of the Department of Agricultural Economics LEKforum (2013)</li> <li>• Leading a rural worker groups of up to 70 people.</li> <li>• Ambassador for students with disabilities at the University of the Free State.</li> </ul>
Farming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maize production</li> <li>• Potato production</li> <li>• Sheep production</li> </ul>

## 7. RESEARCH OUTPUTS

### 7.1. SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS (PUBLISHED)

- Venter, MM, Strydom, DB and Willemse BJ (2013). Basic routine sourcing strategies for price hedging of white maize in South Africa. 19<sup>th</sup> International Farm Management Congress, Warsaw, Poland, 21–26 July 2013.
- Venter, MM, Strydom, DB and Grové, B (2012). Stochastic efficiency analysis of alternative basic grain marketing strategies. *Agrekon* 52 (1): 46 – 63.

### 7.2. CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

- Venter, MM, Strydom, DB and Willemse BJ (2013). Basic routine sourcing strategies for price hedging of white maize in South Africa. 19<sup>th</sup> International Farm Management Congress, Warsaw, Poland, 21–26 July 2013.
- Venter, MM, Strydom, DB and Grové, B (2012). Stochastic efficiency analysis of alternative basic grain marketing strategies. AEASA conference Bloemfontein 28-29 Sep 2012.

- Strydom, D.B, Venter, M.M and van Niekerk H.N. (2011). Evaluation of Transaction Costs within the Eastern Free State Potato Industry, Poster Paper, AEASA conference Pretoria 28-29 Sep 2011.

### **7.3. POPULAR PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- Venter, MM, Strydom, DB and Willemse BJ (2013). Basic routine procurement strategies of Yellow maize in South Africa. Quarterly magazine of the Animal Feed Manufacturers Association. October 2013, p 7 - 9

### **8. WORK EXPERIENCE**

- Wilton Valley Hunting Safari's – Farm manager and professional hunter. Recognised by international hunters for service excellence and the ability to work with different people and as a team. Acknowledged for work ethic and commitment.
- Simplify Consulting – Market and customer satisfaction researcher. Duties including modelling of best practices for business operations.
- During studying at Centurion Academy I took part in numerous wildlife research projects as an assistant.
- Brolaz Projects – Administrative Assistant during Holidays.
- Department of Agricultural Economics as a junior lecturer and working collaboratively with the private sector (ex SASOL, Department of Rural development) on research projects that are industry related. (3years)
- VV boerdery - Where I am a partner with my father and a key decision maker for production seasons and budgeting, marketing of products produced.
- Founder of 'Thank a South African Farmer' – Non Profit organization where the image of South African Agriculture is being improved.

### **9. REFERENCES**

- **Professor Leon Raath** – 082 419 6050
- **Professor Johan Willemse** – 083 230 1083.
- **Dr Dirk Strydom** – 082 852 4810

### **10. CONCLUDING**

I am passionate about agriculture in South Africa and the rest of the continent. I am driven by integrity and excellence. I have the ability to work in the most remote areas in the world and walk into a board room to give feedback. Thank you for your time for reading and regarding this Curriculum Vita of mine.