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**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE:**

Experienced **Economic Development/Regeneration Consultant** and **Educationalist** with extensive and successful experience in Economic and Business consultancy and in Education and Regeneration project and programme management.

Skill set includes:

- ⤴ Business planning & strategy
- ⤴ Management (design, appraisal, delivery, monitoring and evaluation) of projects and programmes.
- ⤴ Significant performance assessment skills and experience.
- ⤴ Devising and implementing economic development, regeneration, and education strategies.
- ⤴ Providing business/financial start-up advice and subsequent support to small and medium-sized enterprises, co-operatives, community groups and community enterprises.
- ⤴ Experience of Commissioning and E-procurement in Local Authority settings
- ⤴ Education and training skills in both academic and practical settings, including online via "Moodle".
- ⤴ Experienced in managing and leading multi-functional teams.
- ⤴ Excellent interpersonal, mediation, communications, negotiating, influencing/presentation skills.
- ⤴ IT literate: including web site design / installation / maintenance, experienced in hardware and software support .
- ⤴ Experienced company director, company secretary, school governor, college governor, trustee, treasurer, Chair
- ⤴ Languages: French; rudimentary Spanish.

**CAREER EXPERIENCE:**

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| <p>The Operator ICT Ltd<br/><b>Director</b></p> <p>Sales, Marketing, Management, Tech Support, etc in field of Telecomms.</p>  | <p>June 2015 – present</p>           |
| <p>CO-OPERATIVE SOLUTIONS LLP<br/><b>Partner / Director</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⤴ co-operative development, SME guidance and advice</li> <li>⤴ programme development and management</li> <li>⤴ evaluations &amp; due diligence</li> <li>⤴ change management</li> <li>⤴ Extended School services</li> <li>⤴ democracy audits / internal communications audits / meeting cycle management</li> <li>⤴ mediation &amp; conflict resolution, collective decision-making facilitation</li> </ul>  | <p>August 2003 – present</p>         |
| <p>NORTHAMPTON TOWN FC COMMUNITY TRUST<br/><b>Chair of Trustees</b></p> <p>Assistance/advice with regard to oversight and strategy development.</p>  | <p>January 2015 – present</p>        |
| <p>The CO-OPERATIVE GROUP<br/><b>South Midlands Area Committee also Regional Values &amp; Principles Committee</b></p> <p>Assistance/advice with regard to member services and good trading practice.</p>  | <p>July 2011 – June 2015</p>         |
| <p>TECHMAIDS Ltd<br/><b>Ex Officio Board Member</b></p> <p>Assistance/advice with regard to finance (providing IT training to ethnic minority women)</p>   | <p>September 2014 – June 2015</p>    |
| <p>The HEALING TRUST (NFSH Ltd)<br/><b>National Treasurer</b></p> <p>Assistance/advice with regard to oversight and management/reporting of finances.</p>  | <p>August 2013 – April 2014</p>      |
| <p>The GLOBAL POVERTY PROJECT<br/><b>Ambassador</b></p> <p>Assistance/advice with regard to raising awareness of extreme global poverty.</p>   | <p>January 2012 – January 2013</p>   |
| <p>UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL STUDENT UNION<br/><b>Trustee</b></p> <p>Assistance/advice with regard to Trust management and strategy development.</p>   | <p>November 2008 – February 2011</p> |
| <p>BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL<br/><b>Programme Manager / Senior Advisor</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⤴ Area Lead / Senior Adviser for Extended School Partnerships</li> <li>⤴ Interpretation and delivery of £1.4 &amp; £3 million regeneration programmes.</li> <li>⤴ Management of Programmes consisting of up to 60 different projects</li> <li>⤴ Monitoring, evaluation, contract management, and auditable record keeping.</li> <li>⤴ Development, launch, and support of Extended School Partnerships &amp; Communities</li> <li>⤴ Assistance with roll out of "commissioning" and e-procurement framework</li> <li>⤴ "Change Coach" within the BCC Business Transformation programme</li> </ul> | <p>October 2004 – July 2009</p>      |

# Curriculum Vitae: **Martin Strube**

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SOCIAL SOFTWARE Ltd December 2005 – January 2009

## **Non-Executive Director**

Assistance/advice with regard to company management and strategy development.

RENAISI CONSULTANTS February 2002 – July 2003

## **Assistant Director - Marsh Farm New Deal Community Development Trust**

- ⤴ Assist in the delivery of the Marsh Farm New Deal programme - £48 million over 10 years.
- ⤴ Coordinate community development.
- ⤴ Manage multiple projects.
- ⤴ Arrange acquisition (for £5m) of large local factory for community use.
- ⤴ Manage factory and associated equipment and facilities

EASTERN REGION CO-OPERATIVE COUNCIL January 1997 – July 2000

## **Company Secretary & Founder Member**

Secretariat and strategy development.

LUTON BOROUGH COUNCIL April 1996 - June 2000

## **Economic Development Officer / CDA Manager**

- ⤴ Assist in the development of an Economic Development Strategy.
- ⤴ Manage Euro ADAPT project in establishing transnational standards in co-operative development.
- ⤴ Manage the operation of CDA Luton in seeking to establish and support new and existing enterprises.
- ⤴ Assist with business plans and financial projections.
- ⤴ Provide advice on financial management, including book-keeping/accounting practices, VAT and National Insurance.
- ⤴ Interpret and advise on Memoranda / Articles of Association and Company Law.
- ⤴ Advise and assist community-based enterprises
- ⤴ Manage Euro KONVER project re. links between environmental technology and economic development.
- ⤴ Liase with other bodies/projects, including Local Authorities, TECs, Chambers of Commerce, and Business Links.
- ⤴ Establish and provide secretariat to first UK "Co-operative Regional Council"

BEDFORDSHIRE CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY September 1995 - March 1996

## **Manager**

- ⤴ Manage a team of 6-8 people in the establishment of new and support for existing enterprise.
- ⤴ Provide ongoing business/economic support and advice to these new companies.
- ⤴ Establish and maintain a local/regional support network.
- ⤴ Maintain good relations with funders.

NORTHANTS CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY 1990 - 1995

## **Development Officer**

Collective responsibility for establishing/supporting new businesses, and as per other CDAs mentioned above.

## **PREVIOUSLY:**

Community Projects Foundation, London; Cassio College, Watford; Oxfam, Kenya; Cambridgeshire College of Arts & Technology, Cambridge

SELF EMPLOYED: East Coast Road Productions, GrassRoots InfoTech, Writer / Musician

Founder Member - Sunseed Third World Development Trust, Bluefields Alternative Technology Centre; Editor - Democratic Practice in Education

## **EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS:**

NORTHUMBRIA UNIVERSITY, UK – Post Grad Certificate towards M Phil in Public Service Management

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY, Newfoundland, Canada - BA Anthropology & Political Science

**COURSES / CPD:** Institute of Leadership & Management – Co-operative Development Practitioner, Co-operative College Certificates in "Developing an Engaged Membership", "Applying Values & Principles", "Understanding Group Finance", "Understanding Management Information", BTEC Level 4 - Management Into Leadership, BCC Coaching for Change, Procurement & E Procurement, Common Assessment Framework, eCAF, Fischer Family Trust analysis, ESRC (Extended Schools Remodelling Consultant), Project Cycle Management, Mediation, Viable Systems (Stafford Beer), Communications, Health & Safety, Negotiation, Equal Opportunities, Accessing European Funds, Fair Selection.

**LEISURE INTERESTS:** Writing, directing and editing film and video. Performing and producing audio and video DVD. Working collectively to produce outdoor festivals and arts, theatre, and music events..

## **REFERENCES:**

There are recommendations from current and previous colleagues permanently posted on my account at the professional networking web site [www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com). All would be happy to provide more detail as required. The most recent is:

- "I have known Martin Strube since the early 80s and have worked with him in a number of settings. I have always found him to be tremendously resourceful and constructive. He has a useful balance of attention to detail combined with a good grasp of overview. He is a pleasure to work with and I have no hesitation in recommending him to anyone in any consultative role." - Jenny Smith, Partner, Co-operative Solutions LLP