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KEY SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

I am a Research Associate at the Overseas Development Institute in London and founder of Capability Oy. I hold a Ph.D. in Education from the University of Tampere (Finland) and I have been working for about 18 years on governance reforms and on systems and processes to support the production, demand and use of knowledge to inform policy and programming decisions in Southeast Asia. I have been part of the team implementing the Australia-Indonesia Partnership for Pro-Poor Policy: The Knowledge Sector Initiative from 2013 to 2017 when I led the learning and research of the programme. My current research interests are problem-driven development and the design and management of monitoring and learning systems that support adaptation in projects, programmes, and organizations. I have published extensively on governance reforms and demand and use of evidence in policymaking with the Overseas Development Institute, in academic articles, book chapters, blog posts and opinion pieces. I am a co-editor of *Knowledge, Politics and Policymaking in Indonesia* (Springer 2018). I am an Associate Editor with the journal *Evidence & Policy*.

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 2007 PhD Education and Development, Faculty of Education, University of Tampere (Finland)
- 1997 MPhil Economic Development, Centre of Development Studies, University of Glasgow (UK)
- 1993 Laurea in Economics, Faculty of Economics, University of Parma (Italy)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian (Native) – **English** (fluent spoken / written) – **Spanish** (good spoken and moderate written) – **German** (good spoken) – **Finnish** (basic spoken) – **Bahasa Indonesia** (basic spoken)

EMPLOYMENT RECORD

2018 – current	Co-founder of Capability Oy and Research Associate with the Overseas Development Institute based in Finland
2013 – 2018	Senior Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute based in Indonesia

2011 – 2013	Research Associate, Overseas Development Institute based in the Philippines
2008 - 2011	Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute based in Vietnam and the Philippines
2006 - 2008	Advisor for research management, UNDP Vietnam
2001 - 2005	Advisor for Civil Society and Local Governance, GTZ Rural Development Programme, Kampong Thom, Cambodia

SELECTED ASSIGNMENTS

The Fourth Industrial Revolution and governance systems: team leader for the production of a Discussion Paper on the implication of the 4th Industrial Revolution for policy making and the use of new knowledge in policy decisions in middle income countries (Helvetas 10-12/2018)

Youth Forward Initiative Learning Partnership: senior strategic advisor of ODI's management of the programme-wide monitoring, learning and evaluation framework for 27 implementing organisations and the applied research and facilitation of multi-sector dialogue in Ghana and Uganda (Master Card Foundation 11/2018-02/2020).

Performing and Responsive Social Sciences project (PERFORM): lead researcher to conduct an analysis across ten stories of change produced by the project in Serbia and Albania (Helvetas 09 – 11/2018).

Building Resilience and Adaptation to Climate Extremes and Disaster programme (BRACED): leading a team of three M&E specialists designing and managing an adaptive monitoring and learning system for national policy dialogues in six countries (Nepal, Ethiopia, Kenya, Chad, Mali, Senegal) (DFID 6/2018 – 3/2019).

UNDP Indonesia: lead researcher for the production of a discussion paper about the experimental approach and meaning of 'impact' of the data innovation lab Pulse Lab Jakarta (UNDP Indonesia 06 – 08/2018)

Unidos por la Justicia project: Team leader of a problem-driven political economy analysis of the security and justice sector in Honduras (USAID / DAI) (02-04/2018).

Knowledge Sector Initiative in Indonesia: Team leader of design and management of the ODI contribution to the second phase of the to the second phase of the DFAT-funded programme (2017-2021).

Performing and responsive Social Sciences project (PERFORM): Team leader of the review of the SDC-funded in Serbia and Albania (11- 12/2017).

Knowledge Sector Initiative in Indonesia: based in Jakarta and leading of the learning and research work of the programme. Build strong relationships within the programme teams and partners to plan and manage learning activities, knowledge production, and knowledge sharing as core activities of KSI (2013-2017).

AusAID Indonesia's new Disaster Risk Management Program: problem-driven political economy analysis of the use of evidence in policy processes to inform the design of the programme (08/2012 – 02/2013).

3ie – International Impact Evaluation Initiative: M&E of policy influence specialist assisting and reviewing the policy influence of impact evaluation research project funded by 3ie in Southeast Asia and East Asia (6/2012 – 3/2013).

AusAID Urban Resilience and Natural Disaster Risk Management: team leader of a study on the political economy of the use of knowledge in urban resilience and natural disaster risk management in the Philippines (1 – 5/2012).

AusAID Research for Policy Change Project: lead the management and coordination of ODI input to the project aimed at strengthening and expand knowledge on evidence-based policy development, monitoring of the influence of knowledge and research on policy making, and the political economy of the use of knowledge in Southeast Asia and the Pacific (06/2011 – 12/2012).

ADB: international expert to conduct an analysis of the decentralization reforms and use of evidence for policy formulation in the basic education sector in Cambodia (05/2011 – 07/2011).

World Bank Vietnam: policy uptake assessment of the Vietnam Development Report 2010 (02 – 03/2011).

ADB: team leader of a knowledge management taxonomy study at the Asia Development Bank (10/2010 – 01/2011).

Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences in Vietnam: team leader of a UNDP-funded programme to strengthen the policy research communication capacity for researchers of the Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (02/2009 – 04/2011).

Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences in Vietnam: advisor for research management and policy advocacy at for a UNDP-funded Assistance to the 20 Years Review of Doi Moi in Vietnam Project (2007-2008).

GTZ Rural Development Programme in Kampong Thom (Cambodia): advisor providing technical assistance, on-the-job training, and coordination of capacity building activities for line department staff and community-based organizations to enhance civil society participation in local governance (2001-2005).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed scientific articles / book chapters

Pellini, A., Preamusinto, A., Fatonie, I. (2018). Brokering Knowledge and Policy Analysis within the Indonesian Public Sector, in Pellini, A.; Prasetyamartati, B.; Nugroho, K. P.; Jackson, E. and Carden, Knowledge, Politics and Policymaking in Indonesia, Singapore: Springer.

Rahwidiati, D., Pellini, A., Hodge, G. (2018). Data Innovation for Policymaking in Indonesia, in Pellini, A.; Prasetyamartati, B.; Nugroho, K. P.; Jackson, E. and Carden, F. (Eds.), Knowledge, Politics and Policymaking in Indonesia, Singapore: Springer.

Karetji, P., Pellini, A., Soekadi, A. (2018). Doing Development Differently at Scale, in Pellini, A.; Prasetyamartati, B.; Nugroho, K. P.; Jackson, E. and Carden, F. (Eds.), Knowledge, Politics and Policymaking in Indonesia, Singapore: Springer.

Pellini, A. and Bredenberg, K. (2015). Basic education clusters in Cambodia: looking at the future while learning from the past, *Development in Practice*, Volume 25, Number 3, April 2015, pp. 419-432 (14).

Pellini, A., Bachtar, P. P., Alician, M. D., and Nguyen Thi Thu Hang (2011). Governance Reforms in three South East Asian countries: the Role of Research-based Evidence in Promoting Innovations, in A.-V. Anttiroiko, Stephen J. Bailey and P. Valkama (Eds.) *Innovation in Public Governance in Asia*. Amsterdam: IOS Press.

Pellini, A. and Ayres, D. (2007). “Community Participation in Local Governance in Cambodia: Learning from the Village Networks Approach”, *Development in Practice*, Vol. 17, N. 3, June.

Pellini, A. (2007). “Decentralization and Community Participation: School Clusters in Cambodia”, in Holger Daun (Ed.) *Globalized Governance and Grassroots Participation in School Decentralization*, Springer/Kluwer, The Netherlands.

Pellini, A. (2005). “Decentralisation of Education in Cambodia: Searching for Spaces of Participation between Traditions and Modernity,” *Compare*, Vol. 35, No. 2, May, pp. 205-216.

Books

Pellini, A.; Prasetyamartati, B.; Nugroho, K. P.; Jackson, E. and Carden, F. (Eds.) (2018). *Knowledge, Politics and Policymaking in Indonesia*, Singapore: Springer.

Pellini, A. (ed.) (2012). *Engaging for the Environment: The Contribution of Social Capital to Community-Based Natural Resource Management in Cambodia*. Phnom Penh, Cambodia: The Learning Institute.

Publications for professional communities

- Pellini, A. (2018). Knowledge Systems and Policy Innovation in the 4IR, Helvetas Mosaic, Bern: Helvetas.
- Pellini, A. (2018). Building state capability for evidence-informed policymaking in Albania: In conversation with Abi Dodbiba, ODI Insights.
- Pellini, A. (2018). Making research evidence count: insights from Finland's Policy Analysis Unit, ODI Insights.
- Pellini, A. (2018). A conversation about policy experiments, Think Tank Initiative blog
- Pellini, A. and Shaxson, L. (2017). Doing Development Differently means Doing Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning Differently too, Better Evaluation blog. Available at <http://www.betterevaluation.org/en/blog/Doing-development-differently-means-doing-MEL-differently-too>
- Pellini, A. and Fatonie, I. (2017). Local leadership and evidence in policymaking: Insights from Indonesia, blog, Research 2 Action blog. Available at <http://www.researchtoaction.org/2017/04/local-leadership-evidence-policymaking-insights-indonesia/>
- Pellini, A and Carden F. (2017). Learning about Learning in an Adaptive Programme, Better Evaluation blog. Available at <http://www.betterevaluation.org/en/blog/adaptive-management-ksi-fred-carden-and-arnaldo-pellini>
- Djafar, T. N., Suriastini, N. W., and Pellini, A. (2017). Estimating the return on investment of policy research and engagement, Editorial, Think Tank Initiative Blog. Available at: <http://www.thinktankinitiative.org/blog/estimating-return-investment-policy-research-and-engagement-0>.
- Emont, J. and Pellini, A. (2017). Investing in Knowledge: The Establishment of the Indonesian Science Fund, Working Paper 24, Jakarta: Knowledge Sector Initiative.
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- Rakhmani, I., Pellini, A. and Nurhidayat, Y. (2017). Linking Values and Research Evidence for Policy Advocacy: The Journey of the Indonesian Forum for Budget Transparency, Working Paper 19, Jakarta: Knowledge Sector Initiative.
- Pellini, A., Tanty Nurhayati Djafar, and Ni Wayan Suriastini (2017). Is Measuring Policy Influence Like Measuring Thin Air? The Experience of SurveyMETER in Producing Three Episode Studies of Research-based Policy Influence, Working Paper 18, Jakarta: Knowledge Sector Initiative.
- Pellini, A. (2016). Indonesia's PISA results show need to use education resources more efficiently, The Conversation. Available at <https://theconversation.com/indonesias-pisa-results-show-need-to-use-education-resources-more-efficiently-68176>
- Pellini, A., Tilley, H., Carden, F. (2016). Indonesia's knowledge sector is catching up, but a large gap persists, The Conversation, 17th November. Available at <https://theconversation.com/indonesias-knowledge-sector-is-catching-up-but-a-large-gap-persists-67937>
- Pellini, A. and Nixon, N. (2016). Are partnership agreements a way forward for Doing Development Differently?, Doing Development Differently blog. Available at <http://doingdevelopmentdifferently.com/are-partnership-agreements-a-way-forward-for-doing-development-differently/>
- Fatonie, I., Pellini, A., Smidt, H., and Apriliyanti, I. (2016). Using Citizen Evidence to Improve Public Services: Lessons from the UPIK Program in Yogyakarta, Working Paper 11, Jakarta: Knowledge Sector Initiative.
- Pellini, A. (2015). The elusive search for a knowledge to policy framework, Research 2 Action blog. Available at <http://www.researchtoaction.org/2015/11/the-elusive-search-for-a-knowledge-to-policy-framework/>

Pellini, A. (2015). A new era for development – the future or already reality?, Harvard University, Building State Capability blog. Available at <https://buildingstatecapability.com/2015/08/27/a-new-era-for-development-the-future-or-already-reality/>

Pellini, A. and Petersen, Z. (2015). Searching for Indonesia's Amartya Sen, Opinion, The Jakarta Post 13th August. Available at <http://www.thejakartapost.com/news/2015/08/13/searching-indonesia-s-amartya-sen.html#sthash.IsT83bBm.uxfs>

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Pellini, A., Anderson, J. H., Tran Thi Lan Huong, Irvine, R. (2012). Assessing the policy influence of research: A case study of governance research in Viet Nam, Background Note, London: Overseas Development Institute.

Pellini, A., Vu Phuong Thao, and Nguyen Le Hoang. (2012). Assessment of the delivery of the Vietnam Development Report 2010 – Modern Institutions and its impact on policy debates around institutional reforms in Vietnam, Washington D.C.: World Bank and London: Overseas Development Institute.

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Pellini, A. and Jones, H. (2011). Knowledge taxonomies. A literature review, London: Overseas Development Institute and Manila: Asia Development Bank.