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CURRENT PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

Freedom through Design - Director

WHO Ad-hoc Advisory Group of Experts on Assistive Technology 2019 – present

WHO Wheelchair Standards – Standards Development Group 2020 - present

President elect - International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics 2021 – present

Chair - Founding Board International Society of wheelchair professionals 2020 - present

BACKGROUND IN EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

A trained product designer with direct experience of taking one design from a student project into the real world, creating an internationally recognised and respected non-profit/social enterprise organisation and developing a range of products that have been used in over 130 countries in partnership with some of the major development and humanitarian response organisations worldwide, including the WHO and the International Committee of the Red Cross. I have experience of turning an innovative idea into something that is relevant, appropriate, scalable and sustainable while developing an organisation from a budget turnover of £38,000 to £5 million over 25 years.

I have experience of judging and mentoring design challenges, sitting on both sides of the table of non-profit boards and been an assessor and adviser to a public body on applications for appeals hosted by that body.

I played a significant part in leading Motivation to become the internationally recognised 'go to' organisation for advice and training on wheelchair design and provision for low income countries. I have worked closely with the WHO serving on the Development Committee to develop and publish the 'WHO Guidelines on the Provision of Manual Wheelchairs in less resourced settings'.

PROFESSIONAL & RESEARCH INTERESTS

Wheelchairs and assistive technology

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