

Name of Firm/
Present employment: CEByfornylse/ CE Urban Renewal

Name of Person: **CHRISTEL EBSSEN**

Nationality: Danish

Year of Birth: 1952

Profession: Architect MAA

Position in Firm: Chief consultant, Owner
Architect Planner



Years with Firm: 2014 –

KEY QUALIFICATIONS: More than 30 years of national and international experience within: Restoring, Rehabilitation and Planning of upgrading of Buildings and Urban areas

Extensive national and international experience of working in development-NGOs

Facilitation of decision-making processes

Management of building projects from elaboration of (Design) briefs, tendering to supervision of construction sites on behalf of clients, agencies a. o.

Evaluation and reviews of Infrastructure Components in Sector programmes and projects

EDUCATION: M.Sc. in Architecture (Dept. Restoration and Upgrading of Heritage, towns and buildings), School of Architecture, DK-Aarhus, 1978

BA in International Development, Aalborg University, 1992

POSITIONS OF TRUST: 1985 - 1995 Member of various Board-committees of Danish NGOs, MS (Now ActionAid) and FEU, Network Forum for Energy and Development. Followed fx:

DIB - Danish International Human Settlement Service (DK)
1993 - 1995 Secretary General of DIB, 1995 – 2000 chairperson, 2000 – 2009 board member, 2010 – Today ordinary member,
DIB is a NGO-Forum of especially architects and planners participating in the development of new concepts for Urban Planning and Settlements (low-cost-housing) in Third World countries and involved in projects in Cambodia, Bolivia, Sri Lanka and Thailand.
Appointed NGO-member of the National Delegation for *HABITAT 96, Istanbul, Turkey.*

OVE (now VE) – International Organisation for Renewable Energy (DK NGO)
2001 – 2008 board member

Energitjenesten – National Organization of Energy Service (DK NGO) and of VE
2014 – Today, board member/vice chairperson

NRGI – Local supplier of Energy, community shared by 210.000 holders,
2014 – Today, publicly elected member of the Assembly

EXPERIENCE:

2014 -

CE BYFORYELSE – CE Urban Renewal

Owner of the CEByfornylse, a continuation of BNByfornylse and still very engaged in public renewal projects and strategies for the periphery of Denmark through f x development projects, introduction and implementation of new initiatives on behalf of the Municipalities and the inhabitants.

2009 - 2014

BN BYFORYELSE – BN Urban Renewal

Co-owner, lead consultant of new company based on the overtaking of SBS West. Continued planning and implementation of public renewal projects of f x town centres and of the listed buildings – based on a widespread public participation process.

2001 - 2009

SBS BYFORYELSE – SBS Urban Renewal

Employed as planning and development consultant in the Danish Urban Renewal Company SBS, dept. West. The company has specialized in Thematic Planning for Town Centres and Local Areas – and the actual implementation of renewal projects.

Specific focus on urban ecology and environmental issues in building and planning – and facilitation of the democratic process of decision-making, involvement of the local inhabitants and integration of institutions and private companies.

2000 - 2001

OVE – Organisation for Renewable Energy (now VE)

International Programme Co-ordinator for Southern Africa responsible for a. o.

The Green House Project, the transformation of a Victorian Greenhouse from mid 1800 to an Environmental Ecology centre in Inner City Johannesburg (South Africa) as catalytic part of the Urban Regeneration Plan. Design, tender, construction and supervision.

The SEED-Project of Johannesburg, Durban and Cape Town (South Africa); SEED-project stands for Sustainable Environment and Energy Development Project with the objectives of influencing strategies and policies towards a sustainable built environment.

Above projects were DANCED/DANIDA funded and implemented by OVE and SA-NGO partners: Earthlife SA and EDRC/EDG.

Apart from the technical advice, focus in the support to the SA NGO's has been to facilitate the transformation process from strong politically formulated organisations in opposition to now project implementing organisations assuming responsibility and action orientated decision-making.

1993 – 2000/1

**NELLEMANN CONSULTANTS A/S
(Now NIRAS CONSULTANTS A/S)**

Employed as a planning consultant for Danish Ministries and Municipalities on a wide range of Master Plans, Local Area Development and Management Plans, Thematic or Sector Plans i.e. for Town Centres, Environment, Traffic and Tourism.

Specifically the development of a new methodology in the Strategic and Physical Planning for the integration and reuse of larger industrial areas (DSB) in town centres like Aarhus and Nyborg.

Core in the planning consultancies - besides the professional production of the actual plans and briefs – is always facilitation of the process from raising the political awareness and decision-making in councils to the implementation. This includes also (by law in planning in DK) undertaking the democratic process of involving civil society and implies often forming public-private partnerships to

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cure the actual realisation.

INDEPENDENT CONSULTANCIES

During the above employment/s I have undertaken the following consultancies as an independent consultant and in agreement with Nellemann/NIRAS Consultants A/S, (O)VE, SBS and BN:

Participation in programme and project reviews - and a number of supervising project visits - has always included by necessity analysis and contributions to the organisational and institutional capacity building as means to secure their sustainability.

- 2013 Extensive consultancy/project review/VE: *SEALAS Project in Sofala Province* (2002 -2013), November 2013
- 2012 Consultancy/project review/VE: *Sustainable Environment and Community Development in Kisumu City (SECODE II)*, February 2012
- 2002 - Independent bi – or yearly visits of project support to Maputo and Ilha de Mozambique.
- 2000-02 Consultancy/UNDP: *Review of Sustainable Urban Planning and Housing Programme, Bhutan*, January 2000
- Project-visits/client-supervision of building site for DANIDA-Danish Embassy of Mozambique to the continued construction of the *National Parliament and Information Centre, Maputo*: February, July, November 2000 – and Feb, May and August 2001.
- Project-visits/client-supervision/OVE/Earth life SA: *The Green House Project*, the construction and management of an environmental centre in Inner Johannesburg (South Africa): April 2000 (and as OVE co-ordinator November 2000 and Feb, May and August 2001 and May 2002).
- 1999 - External consultancy/annual sector review/DANIDA: *Review of the planning, construction and maintenance components of the Legal Sector Programme, Mozambique*, February 1999.
- In continuation of the visit, February 1999: negotiations and up-start of the construction-site of the *National Parliament and Information Centre, Maputo*. September 1999: Review of Tender of Electronic Sound and Election System of the Parliament.
- External consultancy/internal review/OVE (NGO - Organisation of Sustainable Energy): *Review of the Thai-Danish Programme on Sustainable Energy, Thailand* (Bangkok and Province of Isaan), May 1999.
- External consultancy/review and seminar/OVE/DIB: *Elaboration of International Review of Sustainable Housing* and presentation/ lectures on Sustainable Building at the University of Cape Town as part of the SEED-Project, South Africa, July 1999.
Aug 2000: Follow up presentation at The 2nd Southern African Conference for a Sustainable Built Environment, Pretoria.
- 1998 - External consultancy/Project preparation visits/DANIDA: Preparation of Tender of the Rehabilitation of the *National Parliament and construction of Information and Library Centre, Maputo*, Mozambique incl. responsibility of planned project- and site-supervision until August 2001.
- External consultancy/annual sector reviews/DANIDA: *Reviews of Physical Planning, Construction and Maintenance Components of the Sector Programmes of Health and Education of Tete Province*, Mozambique.
- 1997 - External consultancy/design mission/DANCED: *Co-operation Programme of Thai - Danish NGOs, Thailand* (Bangkok and Northern Provinces).
- 1996 - External consultancy/project preparation visit II/DANIDA: *Construction of a* 3/4

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Teachers' Training College in Tete Province, Mozambique.

1995 - External consultancy/review mission/DIB: *Housing and Income-generating Project, Matale District, Sri Lanka.*

External consultancy/project preparation mission/DANIDA: *Construction of a Teachers' Training College in Tete Province, Mozambique.*

1994 - External consultancy/review mission/DANIDA: Review of Planning, Construction and Maintenance Components as part of: *Rehabilitation and Strengthening of Health Services in Tete Province, Primary Health Care Project, Tete, Mozambique.*

External consultancy/DANIDA-DIB-AAA (Aarhus School of Architecture): Education of Architects and Planners in Cambodia - plan for reconstruction of syllabus and external assistance.

1992 - 1993 **DANCHURCHAI (DCA) – Folkekirkens Nødhjælp**

Danchurchaid project co-ordinator, administrator and responsible for the building components of Primary Health Care Project in Oio and Quinhamel Provinces, Guinea Bissau, West Africa.

1990 - 1992 **MELLEMFOLKELIGT SAMVIRKE (MS – now ActionAid)**

MS Organisation consultant (Mellemfolkeligt Samvirke), Aarhus. Information officer and supporter of grassroots level initiatives.

1991 MS-mission to El Salvador (3 weeks) for cultural exchange purposes.

1990 Consultant for Private Association on Initiative on Building-know-how Export to Portugal.

1982 - 1990 **ARCHITECTS EBSEN & GRAM A/S**

Co-owner of private firm of Architects Ebsen & Gram (former firm of Malling and Gravers) spec. in social Housing (design of constructions, tender and supervision) and urban renewal projects.

1984 - 1985 MS-Chief-architect on restoration projects and plan for the development and rehabilitation of the **island Ilha de Mozambique** (Heritage of Mankind) and the capacity building of local department of the Ministry of Culture of Mozambique. (Donor: SIDA/NORAD).

1980 - 1983 Part time lecturer at the School of Architecture, Aarhus, Dept. of Restoration and Upgrading (& Urban Renewal) of Heritage)

1978 - 1982 **ARCHITECTS MALLING & GRAVERS A/S**

Employed as Project architect in private firm of Architects Malling & Gravers, Aarhus.

1973 - 1974 Student at the Polytechnic of Milan, Dept. of Architecture.

1971 – 1993 - **Private travels:** USA and Mexico (10 months), Lesotho, South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe and Brazil (2 months) Mali, Cape Verde, Turkey, Syria o.a.

Language Capability:

	speaking:	reading:	writing:
English	excellent	excellent	excellent
Italian	good	good good	good
Portuguese	excellent	excellent	good
German	manageable	good	manageable
Turkish	beginners/4 years study		

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