

Name: Professor Robert Kajobe, PhD

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Bio: Professor Robert Kajobe is a distinguished Ugandan academic and research leader with over two decades of experience spanning higher education, agricultural research, policy analysis, and institutional leadership. He currently serves as Research Professor and Director for Graduate Training, Research and Innovation at Muni University, where he also previously held the role of founding Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences.

Prior to joining academia, Professor Kajobe served as the founding Director of the Rwebitaba Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute (ZARDI) under Uganda's National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO). He has led numerous national and regional research initiatives and multistakeholder platforms in agriculture, food security, apiculture, and climate change adaptation.

Professor Kajobe holds a PhD in Pollination and Bee Biology and an MSc in Beekeeping from Utrecht University (Netherlands), a Master's in Public Administration from Uganda Management Institute, and a BSc in Forestry from Makerere University. He has authored many peer-reviewed journal articles, books, and book chapters, and he is a regular reviewer and examiner for national and international academic institutions and journals.

An accomplished scholar and development practitioner, Professor Kajobe brings deep expertise in agricultural innovation, forestry, climate resilience, value addition, research governance, and public sector management. He has served as a UN expert on biodiversity and ecosystem services (IPBES, UNDP BES-Net), chaired national agricultural boards, and coordinated national apiculture development efforts. His leadership is grounded in strategic planning, policy advisory, human capacity development, and resource mobilization.

Professor Kajobe is committed to empowering African scientists, strengthening institutional research capacities, and advancing homegrown solutions for sustainable development.

Key Areas of Impact and Expertise:

Agricultural, Forestry and innovation systems

- Climate change adaptation and resilience strategies
- Multistakeholder platform coordination and extension systems
- Public administration and research governance
- Beekeeping, pollination biology, and natural resource management
- Strategic planning, M&E, and public sector leadership