

Biography of Dr. Patricia Nyanga Laverley

Current Position:

African Development Bank Group Country Manager for Tanzania (November 2021 - Present) - Managing a \$4 billion portfolio - Coordinating with government and private sector stakeholders - Leading new business development and portfolio management - Reporting on economic, political, and social developments

Professional Summary:

Dr. Patricia Nyanga Laverley is an internationally recognized finance professional and development economist with over 25 years of experience in international banking, public financial management, and economic development. She currently serves as Country Manager for the African Development Bank Group in Tanzania, where she oversees a \$4 billion portfolio and coordinates strategic initiatives between the government and private sector.

Dr. Laverley has held senior positions at the World Bank, International Monetary Fund, and served as Deputy Minister of Finance for the Republic of Sierra Leone. She is known for her expertise in public financial management reform, macroeconomic policy, and development finance across Africa.

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Education:

Doctorate (PhD) - Development Economics - American University, Washington, DC & London, UK

Master's Degree - Finance and Development Economics - American University, Washington, DC

Bachelor's Degree - Computer Science/Economics - American University, Washington, DC

Professional Experience:

African Development Bank Group

Country Manager, Tanzania (November 2021 - Present) - Oversees \$4 billion development portfolio - Leads strategic dialogue with Government of Tanzania - Coordinates with private sector on development initiatives - Manages country

office operations and staff - Reports on economic, political, and social developments

Principal Governance Officer (2011 - 2018) Governance and Public Financial Management Coordination Office - Served as Task Team Leader for Bank Group's Governance Strategic Framework and Action Plan (2014-2018) - Guided Bank's future orientation in public financial and economic management - Led sector governance improvements across Africa

Macroeconomist (2009 - 2011) Governance and Public Financial Coordination Office - Developed governance frameworks for African nations - Provided technical assistance on public financial management

Principal Results Specialist (2009 - 2011) - Co-authored Results Reporting for African Development Fund (ADF) 10th replenishment - Developed Results Measurement Framework for ADF 11th replenishment

Country Program Officer (2007 - 2009) - Managed portfolio of 90 projects across 12 East African countries - Developed pipeline of bankable public and non-sovereign operations - Ensured engagement of country and regional teams for development impact

Republic of Sierra Leone

Deputy Minister of Finance (May 2018 - December 2021) - Led implementation of Public Financial Management Reform Strategy (2019-2023) - Restored IMF program with Government of Sierra Leone (2018) - Established Economic Management Team for sound economic management - Led parliamentary ratification of over 60 legislative instruments including: - National Budget (2018, 2019, 2020) - Bank of Sierra Leone and Banking Act (2019) - Multiple financing agreements - Managed Sierra Leone's Public Financial Management Reform Strategy and Action Plan (2018-2023)

World Bank Group

Global Program Coordinator (1998 - 2005) Evaluation Advisory Service, Washington, DC - Coordinated global evaluation programs - Conducted in-depth macroeconomic research - Authored and co-authored over 20 reports on development economics - Member of Knowledge Management Working Group

Consultant (Various periods) - Provided technical assistance on evaluation and development programs

HSBC

Auditor (2006 - 2007) - Conducted financial audits and compliance reviews

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Consultant (1997 - 1998, 2006) - Provided macroeconomic policy advice - Conducted economic assessments

Kaiser Permanente

Regional Manager (1994 - 1997) - Managed regional healthcare operations

Amnesty International

Regional Area Network Coordinator (1992 - 1994) - Coordinated regional advocacy and human rights programs

EU Services

Software Programmer (1991 - 1992) - Developed software solutions for European Union services

Key Achievements:

As Deputy Minister of Finance, Sierra Leone (2018-2021):

1. **IMF Program Restoration** - Led successful policy dialogue to restore IMF program with Government of Sierra Leone in 2018
2. **Economic Management Team** - Instrumental in establishing the Economic Management Team to determine policies for sound management of Sierra Leone's economy
3. **Public Financial Management Reform** - Managed Sierra Leone's Public Financial Management Reform Strategy and Action Plan (2018-2023)
4. **Legislative Success** - Led parliamentary ratification of over 60 legislative instruments between 2018 and 2021
5. **Budget Leadership** - Successfully passed National Budget for three consecutive years (2018, 2019, 2020)
6. **Banking Sector Reform** - Led ratification of Bank of Sierra Leone and Banking Act (2019)

At African Development Bank:

1. **East Africa Portfolio** - Successfully managed 90+ projects across 12 East African countries
2. **Results Framework** - Co-authored critical results measurement frameworks for ADF replenishments
3. **Governance Strategy** - Led development of Bank Group's Governance Strategic Framework and Action Plan (2014-2018)

4. **Tanzania Leadership** - Currently managing \$4 billion portfolio in Tanzania
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Professional Memberships & Affiliations:

Current Memberships: - American Economic Association - National Association of Public Administration - International Development Evaluation Association - Women in Technology - Institute for International Finance - World Bank Knowledge Management Working Group

Committee Memberships: - World Bank and IMF Annual and Spring Meeting Committee - World Bank IT Working Groups on Project Portal - Client Connection Committee - SAP/Business Warehouse Committee

Areas of Expertise:

Development Finance: - Public Financial Management Reform - Development Economics - Portfolio Management - Results-Based Management - Aid Effectiveness

Macroeconomic Policy: - Fiscal Policy - Monetary Policy - Economic Growth Strategies - Structural Reform Programs

Governance: - Public Sector Governance - Financial Sector Regulation - Institutional Development - Policy Reform

Regional Expertise: - East Africa - West Africa - Sub-Saharan Africa

Publications & Reports:

Dr. Laverley has authored and co-authored over 20 reports with the World Bank and African Development Bank, many of which have been: - Cited in leading banking industry journals - Used within teaching curricula at major universities - Referenced in international development policy discussions

Key Publications: - Results Reporting for African Development Fund (ADF) 10th Replenishment (Co-author) - Results Measurement Framework for ADF 11th Replenishment (Co-author) - Bank Group's Governance Strategic Framework and Action Plan (2014-2018) (Task Team Leader) - Multiple reports on public financial management reform in Africa - Research on macroeconomic policy in developing nations

Speaking Engagements & Presentations:

Dr. Laverley has presented at numerous international forums on topics including:
- Public Financial Management Reform in Africa - Development Finance and Aid Effectiveness - Governance and Economic Growth - Women in Leadership and Finance - Banking Sector Development in Emerging Markets

Recognition & Awards:

- Appointed Country Manager by African Development Bank President Akinwumi Adesina (2021)
 - Successfully led Sierra Leone's economic reform programs during challenging period (2018-2021)
 - Recognized for contributions to East African development (2007-2009)
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Personal Philosophy:

As a devout Catholic, Dr. Laverley begins each day with praise and worship, which helps her focus on the temporal nature of life and the importance of service. This practice keeps her grounded and provides clarity in her daily work. She maintains a structured schedule, prioritizing tasks based on their importance, urgency, transactional value, and development results.

Languages:

- English (Native)
 - Additional languages as relevant to her work in Africa
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