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COUNTRY OF ORIGIN
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RESEARCH TOPIC
The estimation and modelling of carbon stocks from harvested wood products in New Zealand.

DEGREES
PhD in Forestry, University of Canterbury, New Zealand (expected April 2022). Thesis title: The estimation and modelling of carbon stocks from harvested wood products in New Zealand. MSc. Forestry, University of Canterbury, New Zealand (2013); Thesis title: Using GIS to assess the potential of crop residues for energy generation in Kenya. Graduate Certificate in Forest Carbon Science, Policy and Management, Michigan State University, USA (2020). Diploma in Sales and Marketing, Kenya Polytechnic, Kenya (2005). BSc. Wood Science and Technology, Moi University, Kenya (2004).

CURRENT POSITION
PhD Candidate

To succeed, work hard, find role models, and mentor others. Also, be a life-long learner. Explore and make use of any opportunities that come your way: short courses, conferences, seminars, and guest lectures. This will help you to share your ideas, build confidence, learn from experts, and build connections.

Growing up in a small village in Kenya didn't quell Anne's wishes to be a scientist. While walking 20kms every day carrying a bucket of water on her head, Anne knew that only education could lift her out of poverty. A lecturer at the University of Kabianga in Kenya, Anne is just a step away from having a forestry PhD. Enrolled at the University of Canterbury in New Zealand, Anne's research estimates harvested wood products carbon stocks in New Zealand using country-specific service life values. Anne's research is supported by the Greenhouse Gas Inventory Research Fund, a competitive government funding scheme.

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