# Xavier de Radiguès, epidemiologist

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# Professional experience

#### Management

September 2011 – March 2016

Position: Coordinator

**Organisation**: World Health Organization, Geneva; Information, Intelligence and Monitoring unit, ERM department (humanitarian crises)

#### Mission:

- Coordination of the unit
- Supervision of the development and implementation of monitoring tools:
  - PRIME portal for accessing tools
  - HeRAMS (Health Resources Availability Monitoring System): tool for assessing and monitoring the availability of health services and resources in emergency settings
  - EWARS (Early Warning and Response System): tool for diseases surveillance, alert and response
  - MVH (Monitoring Violence against Health): tool for documenting violence against health sector
- Coordination of surveys and assessments in emergency settings

September 2001 - Position: Head of mission (HoM) in DRC

March 2003

#### Organisation: Epicentre

**Project:** Epidemiological early warning system (active surveillance system through 15 sentinel sites in Kinshasa, passive surveillance system for the rest of the country)

#### Mission:

- At first I participated, as a consultant, to the setup of the programme from March to July 1998: proposal writing and submission to the European Commission (through the PATS programme managed by AEDES), networking and negotiations with the Congolese Ministry of Health (MoH) and with the World Health Organization (WHO).
- I came back in September 2001 as HoM. I was heading a team of 10 people including civil servants from the 4<sup>th</sup> Direction (MoH department in charge of epidemiological surveillance and outbreak response). Amongst my many tasks, I trained my team in data management and outbreak investigation. During that period, I supervised and participated to many outbreak investigations (measles, influenza, cholera, meningitis)

February 1999 – Po July 2000

### - Position: Head of mission for South Sudan based in Kenya

#### Organisation: Médecins du Monde

**Project:** Primary health care, nutrition centres, vaccination activities in 3 locations (i.e. 2 in Bahr El Gazal and 1 in the Upper Nile region)

#### Mission:

- At the beginning of the mission, I was both HoM and medical coordinator. Later I trained a Kenyan doctor who became my deputy and medical coordinator.
- As HoM I was responsible of all aspects of the 3 missions: medical, financial, political, and security wise.

I organised and performed 3 nutrition surveys

October 1997 -March 1998

Position: Medical coordinator for DRC

Organisation: Médecins Sans Frontières

Project: Small field hospital and a sleeping sickness clinic in the Bas-Congo province. It was also the main partner of the MoH for outbreak response (cholera and meningitis outbreaks)

#### Mission:

- Supervision of health staff (local and expatriate) in terms of quality of health care, data collection, analysis, interpretation and report
- Relationship with local medical authorities

November 1996 -Position: Medical coordinator for Bosnia March 1997

#### Organisation: Médecins Sans Frontières

Project: Support to health facilities (drug distribution, rehabilitation), programme of mental health rehabilitation (PTSDs)

#### Mission:

- Supervision of expatriate health staff: 3 doctors, 4 nurses, 1 psychologist
- Relationship with local medical authorities

Position: Medical coordinator and director of Kismayo hospital in Somalia January – October 1996 Organisation: Médecins Sans Frontières

> Project: Kismayo hospital was a war hospital with a capacity of 300 beds, with surgical, medical, TB treatment and obstetrics activities, and with outbreak response facilities (cholera camp)

#### Mission:

- Responsible of medical, financial, political and security aspects •
- Supervision of health staff (local and expatriate) in terms of quality of health • care, data collection, analysis, interpretation and report
- Relationship with local authorities (warlords, local police)
- Exploratory missions in the south of the country (outbreak alert and • response, political events)

#### Surveys, surveillance and outbreak investigations

Mid-June 2008 -August 2011

2008

#### Position: Health Epidemiologist

Organisation: World Health Organization, Health Action in Crisis (HAC), Health and Nutrition Tracking Service

#### Mission:

- Selection, consolidation and production of standard procedures, guidelines and tools for collection and analysis of epidemiologic information.
- Support to health authorities to improve the diseases early warning, alert • system and response system, North-Kivu province, DRC, November 2008
- Participation to the initial needs assessment after the earthquake, Haiti, • February 2010
- Support to WHO country office for improving the diseases early warning, • alert system and response system, Pakistan, September 2010

April 2003 - June **Position:** Senior epidemiologist in charge of epidemiological surveillance systems, and outbreak investigation & response

Organisation: Epicentre headquarters in Paris

During that period, major investigations:

- May 2003: 2 mortality surveys in Equateur province, DRC
- August-September 2003: 2 vaccine coverage surveys in Sierra Leone •
- July August 2004: outbreak of a disease of unknown origin, Pieri, South • Sudan
- April 2005: Marburg outbreak, Uige province, Angola .
- November December 2005: yellow fever outbreak, South Kordofan, Sudan

• April 2006: cholera outbreak, Luanda, Angola

### **Training organisation**

 September 2003 – May 2008
General coordinator of 2 sessions of MSF trainings on outbreak response (how to investigate and how to respond to an outbreak): recruitment of lecturers and facilitators, supervision of lectures and case studies' content, supervision of the daily functioning of the training course

- Organiser and general coordinator of 2 courses on outbreak response for MSF-B, one that took place in Kinshasa end of 2004 and the other one in Jakarta (Indonesia) end of 2006: on top of the usual coordination tasks, I was also responsible of the general design of the courses
- General coordinator of 3 sessions of MSF "Populations in Precarious Situation", the most important course organised by MSF-International on emergencies

#### Software development

| June 2008 –<br>August 2011 | Development of HANDS (surveillance software) and Surveys (data entry and automatic quality scoring of mortality & nutrition survey data)   |
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| July 2005 – May<br>2008    | Development and maintenance of 6 surveillance software applications (i.e. Excel<br>and Epidata applications), and supervision of the development of a surgical<br>activities monitoring software |

### **Clinical activities**

| August –<br>December 1995        | Clinical officer at Ngozi hospital (Burundi) for MSF-B: responsible of Intensive Care Unit, Therapeutic Feeding Centre and Paediatric Department  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| July 1993 – March<br>1995        | Private practice in Slovenia  |
| January 1987 –<br>June 1993      | Private practice in Belgium   |
| December 1985 –<br>December 1986 | Military service in Germany   |
| February –<br>December 1984      | Senior house officer at the Johannesburg General Hospital (South Africa), emergency department, and plastic and reconstructive surgery department |

# Diplomas and training

### London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

September 2000 – Master of Epidemiology (MSc) August 2001

### Médecins Sans Frontières

September – Training in Management of Health Services October 1996

### Université Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium)

October 1974 – Diploma of doctor in medicine, surgery and delivery September 1982

# Guidelines editing

March 2006Participation in the development of the WHO "Technical Guidelines for pandemic<br/>preparedness and mitigation in refugee & displaced population" in Geneva2005Participation in the update of "Rapid health assessment of refugee or displaced<br/>populations" guidelines (MSF guidelines)

## Computer skills

| <u>Type</u>       | <u>Which one(s)</u>  | <u>Knowledge</u>  |
|-------------------|--|-------------------|
| Wordprocessor     | Word   | Proficient        |
| Internet & e-mail | Outlook, Thunderbird, Google<br>webmail, Firefox, Safari, Internet<br>Explorer, Chrome | Proficient        |
| Spreadsheet       | Excel  | Developer         |
| Programming       | Visual basic, Epidata  | Working knowledge |
| Presentation      | Power Point  | Proficient        |
| Database          | Epidata, Epiinfo, Stata  | Proficient        |
| Other software    | Notepad++, Access, Subversion,<br>MySQL  | Working knowledge |

# **Publications**

de Radiguès X, Diallo KI, Diallo M, Ngwakum PA, Maiga H, Djimdé A, Sacko M, Doumbo O, Guthmann JP.

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Guthmann JP, Pittet A, Lesage A, Imwong M, Lindegardh N, Min Lwin M, Zaw T, Annerberg A, de Radiguès X, Nosten F. Plasmodium vivax resistance to chloroquine in Dawei, southern Myanmar. Trop Med Int Health. 2008 Jan;13(1):91-8.

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Collin N, de Radiguès X, Kieny MP Vaccine production capacity for seasonal and pandemic (H1N1) 2009 influenza Vaccine, 2009 June

Nielsen J; Prudhon C; de Radigues X

Trends in malnutrition and mortality in Darfur, Sudan, between 2004 and 2008: a meta-analysis of publicly available surveys

International Journal of Epidemiology, 2011 February

Prudhon C; de Radigues X; Dale N; Checchi F

An algorithm to assess methodological quality of nutrition and mortality cross-sectional surveys: development and application to surveys conducted in Darfur, Sudan Population Health Metrics. 2011 Nov 9

# Miscellaneous

| 1988 – 1994 | Translation of several Chinese medicine books (from English to French)    |
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| 1991 – 1993 | Official free-lance translator for the European Commission and Parliament |