

Name: MORTON, James **Date of birth:** 1951
Profession: Development Economist **Nationality:** British/Irish

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Experience since: 1975

Disciplines: Development and environmental economics; governance and public service delivery; impact evaluation/PSIA; rural development; agriculture; land tenure; marketing and rural finance; parastatal reform; technical team leadership; and project management.

- 26 years' experience of international development, ranging from rural and regional development in the Sudan, the Gambia, Bangladesh and Nepal to current assignments preparing national guidelines for state level reform in Nigeria and supporting land tenure reform in Rwanda.
- A very senior development economist whose published theoretical work is supported by extensive practical experience. Author of one of the earliest studies on aid effectiveness and the political economy of aid: *The Poverty of Nations, The Aid Dilemma at the Heart of Africa*.
- 15 years' experience of public administration in developing countries. Just completed an assignment for the Economic Adviser to the President of Nigeria, preparing comprehensive guidelines for the reform of public expenditure, service delivery and governance.
- Six years' experience in Darfur, covering the 1984/5 famine and the conflicts of 1989/1990. Published research on the resource economics, development and conflict resolution in the region.
- A specialist in the reform of land tenure policy and land institutions.
- Published research on environmental management, in particular Common Property and Open Access Resources, and on the development and dissemination of agricultural technologies.
- Over 10 years' field experience of rural livelihoods, community development and governance.
- An experienced public speaker and facilitator, in policy advocacy, public consultation and academic contexts.
- A graduate linguist able to work effectively in English, Arabic, Spanish and French. Wide experience of working across different cultures.
- Leader of large multi-disciplinary, multi-national teams on strategic review missions for international donors and government.
- Extensive experience of impact evaluation and poverty and social impact assessment, from Rapid Rural Appraisal to stratified, random sample surveys.
- Manager of large development programmes – up to US\$ 20 million - at all stages from design, and establishment to final evaluation: Sudan, Dominican Republic, UK, Nigeria.
- Eight years as Managing Director of a leading and profitable development consulting practice of over 80 permanent staff, growing turnover from £8 million to £22 million and doubling profits.

Countries worked: Bangladesh, Dominican Republic, Gambia, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sudan, Tanzania, Yemen, Zimbabwe.

Education: **PhD Development Economics**, London University, UK, 1994
M.Sc. (Distinction) Development Economics, London University, 1980
BA (Hons), 2.1, Arabic – Classical and Modern, London University, 1974

EXPERIENCE RECORD

1981 - 2007	HTSPE Limited
1999 - 2007	<p>Managing Director, HTSPE Ltd (formerly HTS Development & P-E International) Full responsibility for budgets, staff direction and financial reporting. Managed 100% increase in turnover and profits and led the strategic development of the company.</p> <p>Technical assignments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Land Tenure Reform Programme, Rwanda (DFID 2007) • State and Local Government Programme, Nigeria (DFID 2005) • Land Markets Study, Guyana (DFID 2002) • Africa Beverage Crop Study (DFID 2002) • Food Security Strategy Study (DFID 2001) • Sector Wide Approach In Agriculture, Bangladesh (DFID 2000) • Natural Resources Systems Programme. (DFID 1999-2000)
1997-99	<p>Associate Director/Chief Economist Regional Manager for Latin America and the Caribbean, and supervising the work of the Company's specialist economists.</p> <p>Technical assignments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Of Land Reform In Latin America (DFID 1998) • Guyana Land Administration Support Programme (DFID 1997-2004) • Sierra Manantlan Biosphere Reserve, Mexico (DFID 1998)
Dominican Republic 1994-96	<p>Head of Social Development & Impact Evaluation Responsible for all community development and M&E work on €16 million rural development project. Led innovative programmes in small-farmer credit, low-income electricity supply, rural energy and irrigation..</p>
Nepal 1994	<p>Team Leader/Economist, Assessment of Potential for UK Assistance Identification and justification of future funding options in the agricultural sector.</p>
Tanzania 1993	<p>Economist, Formulation Mission - Zanzibar Market Design of project for UNCDF funding: to rehabilitate the market and strengthen the Municipal Authority's capacity to maintain the market and public health amenities.</p>
Zimbabwe 1993	<p>Team Leader/Economist, Dairy Marketing Board Evaluation of UK support to DMB: analysis of returns to dairying and distribution of costs and benefits across society, of pricing policy and the environmental, social and economic impact.</p>
Bangladesh 1993	<p>M&E Specialist, Compartmentalisation Pilot Project – Tangail/Singair Design of M&E framework in project and control communities.</p>
Zimbabwe 1992	<p>Economist, EC Delegation Preparation of financing proposals for four rural development programmes.</p>
Yemen 1992	<p>Marketing Economist Prepare proposals for a new assembly market for banana, papaya, tomato etc.</p>
Sudan 1992	<p>Consultant M&E Specialist, Jebel Marra Rural Development Project Impact evaluation of rural roads, a new sorghum variety, and small scale irrigation.</p>
Jordan 1992	<p>Agricultural Economist Karameh Dam Study</p>
Gambia 1991	<p>Team Leader/Economist, Upper River Division Integrated Programme Final evaluation of €11 million programme across agriculture, conservation, health, education, water supply and institutions building.</p>
Zimbabwe 1991	<p>Team Leader/Economist, Mashonaland East Fruit & Vegetable Project Impact evaluation of support to extension and smallholder Producers Association.</p>
UK 1990-91	<p>Mid-Career Fellow, St Antony's College, Oxford Research on development in Africa.</p>

Sudan 1987-90	Team Leader/Evaluation Adviser, Jebel Marra Rural Development Project Redirecting the work of the M&E Department to smaller single-issue surveys and RRA studies of project impact, farming systems development, food security and regional change.
Bangladesh 1986/1987	M&E Specialist, IDA Deep Tubewells Project Design of monitoring systems and impact studies on 4,000 tubewell user groups.
Indonesia 1986	Economist, Aceh Irrigation Unit Assisted local consultants to complete surveys and prepare proposals for the ADB.
Sudan 1985	Economist, Distribution of Phosphate Fertiliser Proposal for innovative distribution of fertiliser to support post-famine recovery.
Sudan/UK 1985-86	Economist, Development in Darfur A review of all available material on development in a little-known region.
Sudan 1982-85	Head of Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation, W. Savanna Development Corpn. Established planning/M&E team of 15 national staff, led major baseline surveys and impact evaluation studies on US\$ 20 million development programme in S. Darfur.
YAR 1981	Economist, Dhamar Agriculture Research Station/Ag. Engineering Project Design and implementation of farming systems and impact evaluation surveys.

LANGUAGES:

	Speaking	Reading	Writing
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Arabic	Good	Excellent	Good
Spanish	Good	Good	Good
French	Fair	Good	Fair

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Morton, J F**Publications**

- Morton, J F et al 2005 SEEDS (State Economic Empowerment and Development Strategy) Manual – From Strategy to Action. National Planning Commission, Abuja, Nigeria
- Morton, J F 2004 Resources, Development and Politics in Darfur – Briefing to UN Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. HTSPE, Hemel Hempstead, UK
- Morton, J F 2004 Conflict in Darfur: A different perspective. HTSPE, Hemel Hempstead, UK
- Morton, J F 1998 The Intended and Unintended Consequences of Aid. The Case of Sudan. SEREIN – Occasional Paper No 6, University of Copenhagen, January 1998
- Morton, J F 1996 Land Resources in Darfur Region, Sudan: Prisoners' Dilemma or Coase Outcome? Journal of Development Studies, Vol. 33, No. 1, October.
- Morton, J F 1994 Agricultural Development in Darfur Region, Sudan. With special reference to Innovation, Technical Change and Open Access Resources. PhD Thesis, London University.
- Morton, J F 1994 The Poverty of Nations. The Aid Dilemma at the Heart of Africa. 227 pages. Published by I.B. Taurus, London.
- Morton, J F 1992 Tribal Administration or No Administration: The Choice in W. Sudan. Sudan Studies, Number 11, January 1992
- Morton, J F 1991 Economic Development in Darfur in Sudan: Environment and People. 2nd International Sudan Studies Conference, University of Durham, April 1991
- Morton, J F 1989 Tubewell Irrigation in Bangladesh. ODA/IIMI Irrigation Management Network Paper 89/2d.

Technical Reports

- Morton J F & Lemel H 2003 Land Markets in Guyana. HTSPE for DFID, Hemel Hempstead UK
- Morton, J F, et al 2002 African Beverage Crops and Poverty Reduction. HTSPE for DFID, Hemel Hempstead, UK
- Morton, J F, et al 2001 Food Security Strategy Paper, HTSPE for DFID, Hemel Hempstead, UK
- Morton, J F & Farrington J 2000 Rural Development Strategies and an Agricultural Sector Wide Programme, Bangladesh. HTSPE for DFID, Hemel Hempstead, UK
- Morton J F & Trenchard, R 1998 Land Tenure Reform in Six Latin American Countries. HTS for DFID, Hemel Hempstead, UK

Morton, J F, et al	1994	Assessing the Potential for Assistance to Agriculture in the Middle Hills of Nepal. HTS, Hemel Hempstead, UK
Morton, J F, et al	1992	Review of the Upper River Division Integrated Programme, The Gambia. HTS, Hemel Hempstead, UK
Morton, J F, and Jackson, D T	1991	Review of the Mashonaland East Fruit and Vegetable Project, Zimbabwe. HTS, Hemel Hempstead, UK.
Morton, J F	1989	Wet Season, Transport and Irrigation Surveys. Analysis and interpretation of surveys in West Darfur, Sudan. JMRDP, Zalingei, Sudan
Morton, J F	1988/ 89/90	Series of early warning Harvest Surveys of the household grain balance in West Darfur, Sudan. JMRDP, Zalingei, Sudan.
Morton, J F	1986	Development in Darfur: A review of the geographical, historical and economic background to development in the region. WSDC, Nyala, Republic of Sudan.
Morton, J F	1984	Nomad Survey, Western Savannah Project Area. Parallel to the previous entry but in the nomad sector. WSDC, Nyala, Republic of Sudan.
Morton, J F	1982/ 83	Farmer Surveys, Western Savannah Project Area. Comprehensive baseline/farming systems surveys of South Darfur, Sudan. WSDC, Nyala Republic of Sudan.
Morton, J F	1981	Tractor Usage in the Wadi Rima. Agricultural Engineering Project, Taiz, YAR.
Morton, J F	1980	Yemeni Emigration, A Case Study in Short Term International Emigration and the Effects on the Home Economy. Masters Thesis, London University.
A.T. Barrett & Morton, J F	1980	Labour Inputs to Agriculture on the Montane Plains. Land Resources Development Centre, UK: Project Record.
Morton, J F	1979	Agricultural Marketing in the Yemen Arab Republic with special reference to the Montane Plains and Wadi Rima. Land Resources Development Centre, UK: Project Record 35. YAR-01-45/REC-35/79.