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## HIGHLIGHTS

- More than 10 years of experience in sustainable agriculture and aquaculture in the tropics and Global South countries
- Familiarity with Zambian ministries, schools, and universities
- Experience in sustainable agricultural systems and natural resource management
- Hands-on experience with the use of innovative technologies not only in agriculture and aquaculture
- Several years of experience in creating web presentations and promoting results
- Experience with awareness campaigns and effective presentation of outputs

## AFFILIATIONS

- [Biogas Research Team](#)
- [Food Security Research Group](#)
- [Capacity Building & Agricultural Development Team](#)
- [Laboratory of Ethnobotany and Ethnopharmacology](#)
- [Laboratory of Food Processing Technologies](#)

# Jan Staš

Project Manager, Webmaster, PhD Student



## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Project Manager

[BioResources & Technology Division na FTZ/ČZU v Praze](#)

December 2022 - present

- Project management, searching for funding, communication with partners, implementation

### Consultant, project implementer

[FTZ/ČZU v Praze](#)

June 2018 - present

- Implementation of development and scientific projects
- Countries of operation: Ukraine, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Cambodia, Vietnam, Thailand, Ethiopia, Zambia
- Fields: sustainable development, tropical agriculture, renewable energy sources, aquaculture, food processing, food security, waste processing and utilization, and more.

### Website administrator and PR advisor

[FTZ/ČZU v Praze](#)

January 2018 - present

- Creation and management of websites
- Social media management
- Content creation for websites and social media (FB, IG, YTB, LinkedIn, X...)
- Communication with employees and institutions
- Organization of online/in-person meetings and events
- Proofreading of documents, etc.

### Technical expert, consultant

[Holistic Solutions s.r.o.](#)

June 2019 - present

- Topics: integrated agricultural systems; solar drying; renewable energy; food processing; aquaculture

### Project Center Officer

[Fakulta tropického zemědělství](#)

January 2022 - December 2022

- Assistance with writing project proposals
- Communication with project applicants
- Preparation of documentation, etc.

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## SELECTED PORTFOLIO WEBSITES

- **Biogas Research Team**
  - [www.biogas.czu.cz](http://www.biogas.czu.cz)
- **AgriSci UA**
  - [www.agrisci-ua.com](http://www.agrisci-ua.com)
- **OSIRIS**
  - [www.osiris4r.eu](http://www.osiris4r.eu)
- **COMUNIDAD**
  - [www.comunidad-project.eu](http://www.comunidad-project.eu)
- **Tropical Agroecology**
  - <https://tropag.ftz.czu.cz/en>
- **Fakulta tropického zemědělství**
  - [ftz.czu.cz](http://ftz.czu.cz)



## IT Support

### FASTA s.r.o.

January 2016 - present

- Technical support
- Website development
- Design and graphic work, logo creation
- Development of strategic documents



## EDUCATION

### **PhD in Tropical Agrobiology and Bioresource Management**

#### **Faculty of Tropical AgriSciences**

2018 - present

- Scientific topic: *Use of natural substances for food preservation*

### **Masters in Sustainable Rural Development**

#### **Faculty of Tropical AgriSciences**

Graduation: 2017

- Thesis: Use of a solar dryer for the preparation of traditional Vietnamese beef jerky

### **Bachelors in Tropical Life Sciences**

#### **Faculty of Tropical AgriSciences**

Graduation: 2015

- Thesis: Natural compounds used to reduce enzymatic browning in food processing



## LANGUAGE

Czech: native

English: C1

German: B1

Spanish: A2



## COMMUNICATION SKILLS

- Excellent written and verbal communication skills gained through studies and work experience
- Excellent graphic communication skills
- Confident, articulate, and professional public speaking abilities
- Strong and confident ability to speak publicly, in groups, or via electronic media
- Excellent presentation and negotiation skills
- Confidence in presenting scientific work at international conferences/symposia

## SELECTION OF IMPLEMENTED PROJECTS

- **2025:** Vermicompost & Biochar Integration for Climate-Smart Farming (V-BIOCHAR). Cambodia
- **2024:** Vermiculture based Sustainable Organic Innovative Livelihoods (V-SOIL). Cambodia
- **2024:** Nutrient-rich Powder Production in Kampong Speu Province, Cambodia
- **2022-2023:** The Use of Mango Stones as a Source of Valuable Fats and a Renewable Energy, Cambodia. Project consultant, laboratory works.
- **2022-2024:** Integrated Farming III, Zambia. Project coordinator; Small-scale aquaculture; integrated farming systems.
- **2021-2024:** Bio-plynovou technologií k vyšší odolnosti komunit v západní provincii Zambie
- **2020-2023:** Increasing productivity and supporting the development of mango, cassava and organic fertilizer value chains in Western Province, Zambia.
- **2020-2023:** Implementation of the fruit value chain for improved nutrition and efficient production in Arba Minch, GamoGofa, SNNPR, Ethiopia.
- **2020-2021:** Introducing the model of Hybrid Solar Driers for fruits, vegetables, herbs and NTFPs, Georgia. Project by UNDP. Expert on solar drying technologies.
- **2019-2023:** Integrated Farming II, Zambia.
- **2018-2021:** Agribusiness for life: Livelihood, Innovation, Food Security, and Empowerment (Zambia).
- **2014-2021:** Member of IGA project at FTA: "Natural products as preservatives in food processing".
- **2019:** PISAI (Participatory and Integrative Support for Agricultural Initiative).
- **2019:** Project SIMPLE ( Support of International Platform Merging Labour and Education).
- **2018-2019:** Strengthening of teaching, research and networking capacities at University of Barotseland in Mongu for agricultural development of West Province, Zambia.
- **2017-2018:** ALFABET program: 6-month internship, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand, research in the field of food processing.
- **2015-2016:** Support of scientific and research capabilities of teachers and students at Hue University of Agriculture and Forestry, Vietnam. Research workshops conducted.
- **2011-2013:** Renewable Energy Resources for Rural Areas in Thua-Thien Hue Province. Research workshops conducted.
- **2012-2013:** Capacity Building of Higher Agricultural Education in Cambodia

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## EUROPEAN COMMISSION PROJECTS

- **SCORE:** Structural Capacities for Tackling Wicked Problems Programme
- **OSIRIS:** Open Science to Increase Reproducibility In Science
- **COMUNIDAD:** Combined Use of EGNSS and Copernicus Data to Develop Innovative Downstream Services for the Users from Chile and Colombia
- **UNICOM:** Universities – Communities: strengthening cooperation
- **BIO-CAPITAL:** Mobilising investments for protecting and restoring biodiversity by harnessing innovative financial solutions and advanced geospatial analytics