**CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Charles Morel (Mr.)**

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Herbarium Curator (National Herbarium Seychelles)

**Date of Birth** 21 February 1964

**Nationality** Seychellois

**Sex** Male

**Status** Married

**Address** Quincy Village, Mahé, Seychelles

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**EDUCATION**

Jan 1976-Dec 1980 **Seychelles College Grammar School**

 **Certificate GCE Cambridge ‘O’ Level**

 **(Engluish, French, Mathematics, Art)**

Jan 1970-Dec1975 **Seychelles College Primary School**

**Professional Training**

Jan 1982-Dec 1984 **Seychelles Polytechnic**

Certificate in “Science Laboratory Technology Phase I” (Distinction)

Jan 1985-Dec 1986 **Seychelles Polytechnic**

 Certificate in “Science Laboratory Technology Phase II” (Distinction)

March 1993 **National Museum of Natural History, New Delhi, India**

Internship training in Museology

November 1998 **Mombasa, Kenya**

Workshop on Deterioration of Collections

July 1999 **Natural History Museum, London**

Short course on Collections Management and education Outreach

June 2000 **Ministry of Environment, Seychelles**

Course on Herbarium Techniques,

September 2001 **10th PREMA course, Mombasa, Kenya**

Preventive Conservation and Care of Collections

December 2002 **Seychelles Institute of Management**

Course in Supervisory Skills Development

Feb 2004 **Seychelles Institute Of Management**

General Certificate in Management (Distinction)

**Employment**

Jan 1981-Oct 1989 **National Youth Service**

 Science Laboratory Technician (combined science)

Nov 1989-Oct 1991 **Seychelles Polytechnic ‘A’ Level Chemistry**

 Science Laboratory Technician (Chemistry)

Nov 1991-Fev 2010 **Natural History Museum, Seychelles**

LabTechnician and Conservator

 Functions: Molding and Casting ; restoration of artefacts ; conception, preparation and setting up of exhibitions ; preservation of specimens ; collection, conservation and mounting of plant specimens ; curation of the herbarium ; photography

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Feb 2010-May 2012 **Private enterprise** (Maintenance)

June 2012-June 2015 **Natural History Museum, Seychelles**

 Senior Conservator

 Functions; As listed above plus lots of field explorations and taxonomic studies.

July 2015 to Present **National Herbarium (Natural History Museum of Seychelles)**

Herbarium Curator

**Field experience**

June 2012 Active participation in exploratory missions on the central granitic islands of the Seychelles as part of a consultancy for the UNDP (United Nations Development Programme), aiming at identifying key Biodiversity areas for conservation.

Mars 2013 Participated in a research programme on threatened species, notably the Seychelles caecilians, where I was the fellow for this particular species. (EDGE project, Darwin Initiative)

**Publications**

Contributed several articles for the PCA’s (Plant Conservation Action group) newsletter, Kapisen as well as in local newspapers.

Co-author ; (1) Chytrid fungus (Batrachochytrium dendrobatidis) undetected in the two orders of Seychelles amphibians (2015)

 (2) Development of anonymous nuclear markers from illumina paired-end data for Seychelles caecilian amphibians (2014)

 (3) Revision of the fern family MARATTIACEAE in the Seychelles with two new species and a discussion of the African Ptisana fraxinea complex

**Interests**

Have a great passion for learning about and taking pictures of plants and love explorations and making new discoveries. Also like to collect and preserve artifacts.

Member of a civil society, PCA (Plant Conservation Action group) for the promotion, conservation and sustainable use of plants as well as restoration of habitats

**Referee**

Ms. Cecille Kalebi

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