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### Top Skills

Neuroscience
Positive Psychology
Spiritual Coaching

#### Honors-Awards

Presidential Environmental Award (Sri Lanka)

Swarnadeepa Golden Award , Presented by His Excellency (Sri Lanka)

Massco Award | Presented by the Speaker of Parliament (Sri Lanka)

Deshabhimani Sri Lankaputhra Presented by Srimath Anagarika Dharmapala Humanitarian Foundation

# Kirby de Lanerolle

Co-Founder at WOWLife World, Global - Neuro-Theology North Western Province, Sri Lanka

## Summary

My experience spans across private, public, intergovernmental and civil society spheres. The entities that have been under my purview, have continuously focused on bringing equilibrium to areas that warrant balance and justice. Having lived within the context of armed conflict and post-conflict rebuilding in Sri Lanka, the need to fully understand the psychology behind motivations toward conflict, whether at the State or individual level, has been an important facet of my work from a very young age. The deconstruction and continued re-learning of what reconciliation means, at a personal, collective and national level, has therefore taken the forefront in my work. This has resulted in myself being conferred appointments with national and inter-governmental establishments (including those of the United Nations), to lead initiatives designed to protect and promote inter-racial, interdenominational and inter-religious dialogue.

This component of protecting important human rights also takes focal place in my work and advocacy as the co-founder of the WOW LIFE Global movement and ministry, alongside my wife Fiona. Apart from reconciliation, the ministry also focuses on minority rights and youth empowerment in Sri Lanka. WOW's (under the banner of Apostolic Diocese of Ceylon) take on reconciliation has moved beyond the orthodox boundaries of religious confinement, and draws from a larger body of work, including science and psychology, with emphasis on reconciliation as healing, at the spiritual, anatomical, and social levels. Being bestowed the title of National Coordinator by the Sri Lankan government in 2018, my work with WOW has also provided agency to the free churches in the island and strengthened the discourse on their place within the minority rights framework. Through this coordinatorship, over 500,000 peoples, belonging to the free churches were represented, and gains achieved, continue to feed into the institutional memory of the way forward for minority rights in Sri Lanka. Through the social empowerment arm of our ministry, Warehouse Project, youth in impoverished neighborhoods

are provided the means to finish school and are also trained in technical vocations, enabling them entrance into the job market, with an emphasis on the promotion of economic and social rights, which are so vital to countries such as Sri Lanka.

While the context and environment of my work constantly evolves, the end goal remains the same; that of empowering and enabling the individual holistically, in order to transform the collective in a meaningful and beneficial way.

## Experience

Rapha Asset Management
Partner
February 2021 - Present (2 years 6 months)
Sri Lanka

commodities oil&gas renewable energy logistics transport

WOWLife World, Global Co-Founder 2021 - Present (2 years) United States

WOWLife World has over 300 coach groups globally with close to 100,000 followers on Facebook (multiple platforms) and over 2 million Youtube views in the last 5 years.

Wow Media Productions (Pvt) Ltd Shareholder 2018 - Present (5 years) Sri Lanka

Creators and producers of online media programs for wellness, marriage, business, meditation, and spirituality. Some of these programs draw over 1000 in attendance.

Apostolic Diocese of Ceylon Chief Overseer 2015 - Present (8 years) Sri Lanka

Appointed as Overseer / Bishop to Independent Churches in Sri Lanka, by the Indian National Apostolic Diocese (INAD). The consecration in 2016 was attended by the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka including the Minister of Christian Affairs for the bishopric of over 300 free churches. The ADC has a collective congregation of approximately 100,000 congregants. ADC also institutes a training school with over 160 pastors in student registrations.

5 Day Program, GlobalCo-Founder2012 - Present (11 years)

Featured on the National Geographic Channel, TedX, Sidney Morning Herald News Australia, and National Newspapers. The 5-day Program is a Biohacking & meditation program that works in

collaboration with spiritual and physical elements to help people enhance their lifestyle through diet, mindfulness, consciousness, and meditation protocols.

Cedar MMS
Director
2008 - Present (15 years)
Sri Lanka

Cedar MMS was a pioneering Sea Bass commercial hatchery and farm. The company pioneered in hatching sea bass on a commercial scale and farming them on 86 acres of farm land. The hatchery and farms are now in production of Vanami prawns, 600 metric tonnes per annum.

WOWLife Church Co-Founder 2007 - Present (16 years) Sri Lanka

Founded WOWlife Church in 2007, with a mixed congregation of over 800 people.

Ambassador Tea (Pvt) Ltd Director 1999 - Present (24 years) Sri Lanka

An award-winning Tea Company that won the medium-scale value-added award in 2012 and 2014. Ambassador Tea was instrumental in setting up the \$25 million "state of the art" Alokozay Tea plant in Jebel Ali, UAE in 2003.

For the free & Independent Churches National Coordinator

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2016 - 2019 (3 years)

Sri Lanka

National Coordinator, For the free and independent churches of Sri Lanka, Appointed by the directive of the Hon. Prime Minister of Sri Lanka to the Ministry of Christian Affairs

Ministry of Special Projects Executive Advisor 2015 - 2016 (1 year) Sri Lanka

Appointed with the concurrence of the Nat. Cabinet of Ministers - Sri Lanka

National Volunteering Secretariat Working Director 2013 - 2015 (2 years) Sri Lanka

Envisioned and established necessary processes to establish the National Volunteering secretariat, in partnership with the Ministry of Social Services and United Nations Volunteers. The main tasks of the National Volunteering Secretariat are to coordinate, facilitate and promote volunteerism in Sri Lanka.

IYV+10 National V-Awards Committee Co-Chair 2013 - 2015 (2 years) Sri Lanka

V-Awards saw the unifying of the Ministry of Social Services, United Nations Volunteers, and Channel One MTV, to recognize volunteers around the Island and promote volunteerism in the country. It was the first event of its kind on the island and drew large audiences. to the silver screen.

National Persons of Disabilities Board Member 2010 - 2015 (5 years) Sri Lanka

Appointed with the concurrence of His Excellency the President of Sri Lanka

Ceyfruits (Pvt) Ltd Director 2009 - 2015 (6 years) Sri Lanka

Printology (Pvt) Ltd Director 2011 - 2014 (3 years) Sri Lanka

Ministry of social Services Executive Advisor 2012 - 2013 (1 year)

National Council of Elders Council Member 2010 - 2012 (2 years) Sri Lanka

Appointed with the concurrence of His Excellency the President of Sri Lanka

National Aquaculture Development Authority Member Board of Directors 2006 - 2010 (4 years) Appointed by the National Cabinet Paper

Ministry of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development 4 years

Acting Private Secretary To the Cabinet minister 2006 - 2010 (4 years)
Sri Lanka

Executive Advisor 2006 - 2010 (4 years) Sri Lanka

Appointed with the concurrence of the Nat. Cabinet of Ministers

FAO Aquaculture Project
National Coordinator| Project Director
2007 - 2008 (1 year)
Sri Lanka

Responsible for directing the FAO-Government partnership to develop a sustainable alternative species, Sea Bass (Lates CalCarifur) to increase the national protein intake and food supply. Worked closely with the FAO and played a crucial role in obtaining funds for the aquaculture industry projects.

# Education

King's College London

Master of Science - MS, Neuroscience · (2022 - 2025)

University of Pennsylvania
Advanced Certificate , Positive Psychology · (2022 - 2023)

INA Theological Open University, India Bachelor's degree, Divinity (2018)

INA Theological Open University, India (DD Hon.), Doctorate of Divinity · (2015)

INA Bible Seminary, India
Diploma , Theology/Theological Studies · (2015)