

I am Federica, originally from Italy, where I grew up and completed my studies. During high school, conferences organised at my school sparked my interest in the countries of the Global South and inspired me to imagine living and working there one day.

I went on to study International Relations in Milan. After graduating, I moved to Ireland, where I began working in the development and international cooperation sector, with a particular focus on education.

In 2014, I moved to Zambia and have been here ever since. Over the years, I have worked with different NGOs in the education sector, approaching the field from a variety of perspectives. Living and working in Zambia, in a context very different from the one in which I grew up, has given me the opportunity to develop valuable skills that continue to serve me in every area of life. Among these are flexibility, adaptability, and the ability to look at the world through different perspectives.

My professional experiences have deepened my understanding of the opportunities and challenges within the Zambian education system. They have also strengthened my ability to find creative solutions to complex problems and to approach challenges with determination and an open mind.

Education is my greatest passion, and, just like Jane, I strongly believe in Nelson Mandela's words: "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Wanting to gain a deeper understanding of how the education system works in practice, I decided to move from development and cooperation into teaching.

I have found teaching to be an enriching and fulfilling career. I truly enjoy spending time with students and contributing to the development of their minds, their confidence, and their ability to understand the world around them.

It is with this enthusiasm and commitment that I am joining the Chance4All team. I hope to contribute to creating better opportunities and a brighter future for Zambia's young people.