

Scott Allen

(December 2, 1953 – October 30, 2023)



It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Scott Allen on October 30, 2023. A loving husband, devoted father, and accomplished professional, Scott leaves behind a legacy of passion, dedication, and expertise that touched the lives of many. Scott was born in Coronado, California, in 1953, but his formative years were spent in Idaho. He embarked on his academic journey at Idaho University and furthered his education at Ohio University, the University of Massachusetts, and the University of Oxford. In pursuit of knowledge and excellence, he graduated with a Master's in Economics and International Affairs.

Scott's professional journey was marked by a wealth of experience and a commitment to making a positive impact. As a Partner at Allen Consulting Ltd. since July 2014, he played a pivotal role in shaping the company's success. In his role as Deputy CEO of TradeMark East Africa from April 2010 to July 2014, Scott significantly contributed to the organization's mission of facilitating regional economic integration and promoting trade in the East African Community. His tenure at TradeMark East Africa was emblematic of his dedication to meaningful and sustainable development.

Scott's commitment to international development was evident throughout his career. As a Trade Advisor for USAID/East Africa from October 2009 to April 2010, he provided technical assistance and advice to USAID's regional program in East and Central Africa. His role as Team Leader for DFID in September 2009 involved designing the TradeMark East Africa trade and regional integration program for Burundi. He further served as an AGOA Advisor for Segura IP3, coordinating the annual high-level Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) Forum in Nairobi, Kenya, from May 2009 to August 2009. Scott's dedication extended to various roles, including International Development Consultant at Management Systems International, where he provided advisory services to USAID/Sudan Economic Growth teams.

Scott's impactful leadership as Chief of Party for the USAID-funded Agriculture Marketing and Enterprise Development project in Juba, Sudan, from May 2007 to August 2008, demonstrated his ability to revitalize programs in challenging environments. His role as Chief of Party/Trade Policy Advisor for the East and Central Africa Global Competitiveness Hub in Nairobi, Kenya, from 2003 to 2007, showcased his commitment to building capacity for trade policy formulation and implementation. Throughout his career, Scott held diverse roles, from Senior Policy Advisor for USAID/Regional Center for Southern Africa from 1996 to 2003 to serving as an Economist for various organizations, including the U.S. Department of Energy and the Peace Corps in Liberia.

In addition to his professional achievements, Scott Allen was a loving husband of 20 years to his beloved wife, Wairimu, and a devoted father to three children, Ashley, Robert, and Sam. To honor Scott's memory and his contributions to international development, we include the logos of TradeMark East Africa, USAID, Management Systems International, and Winrock International. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

