Rafal has been an Accredited Partnership Broker since 2006. He has experience in building the brokering capacities and capabilities of individuals and organisations in the business, government and civil society sectors through all phases of the partnering cycle. He has mentored, as part of PBA Accreditation program, over 50 individuals from across multiple continents and sectors. Rafal’s approach is to share, challenge and refer to his own practical experience in using partnering approaches to empower local or grass roots partnerships to achieve scale and impact, especially in relation to local food systems and rural livelihoods. His work in Canada, Poland and East and Central Europe since the 1980s has provided him with a wealth of practical experience, along with a conviction that partnering approaches can be deployed successfully to transform economies and societies everywhere into more sustainable and democratic forms. Rafal is currently curating PBA’s Partnering with Funders initiative, which is researching more effective ways to resource partnering. He is also actively involved in PBA’s initiative for better partnership brokering practices in Africa. Rafal is fluent in English and is a native speaker of Polish.