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# AFRICA EMERGING MARKETS FORUM

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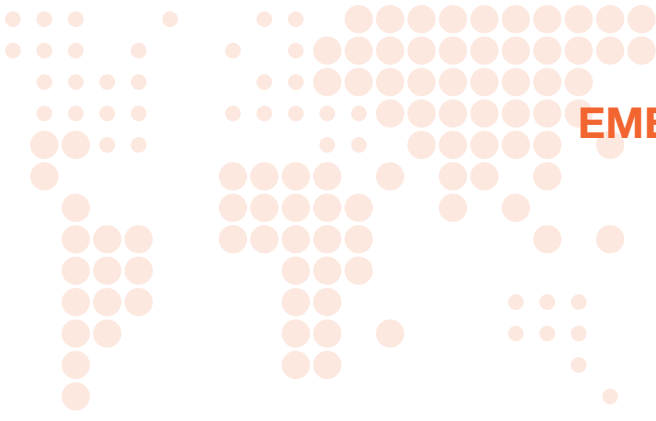
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**Participants' Profiles**





**Patrick Achi**  
**Minister of Economic Infrastructures**  
*Côte d'Ivoire*



#### CURSUS

Après une Maîtrise de Physique à l'Université de Côte d'Ivoire en 1979 suivi d'un Diplôme d'Ingénieur de l'Ecole Supérieure d'Electricité de Paris en 1981, il obtient son Certificat d'Etudes Economiques et Juridiques de l'Université de Paris 1, Sorbonne cette même année.

En 1983, il a un masters M.S Management, à l'Université de Stanford, Californie, aux Etats-Unis. De 1983 à 1991 il suit une formation Professionnelle régulière en Conseil en Management au Centre de formation international du Cabinet Arthur Andersen à Chicago, Illinois, Etats-Unis

#### EXPERIENCE

En 1983 Patrick Achi rejoint le célèbre cabinet Arthur Andersen à Paris où il passe quatre années au sein de la Division Conseil. De 1988 à 1991, il travaille dans le même cabinet cette fois-ci en tant que chef de mission avec pour base Abidjan la capitale économique de la Côte d'Ivoire.

En 1988, il est nommé Directeur technique couvrant les divisions Conseil des bureaux de Douala, Dakar, Lomé et Abidjan.

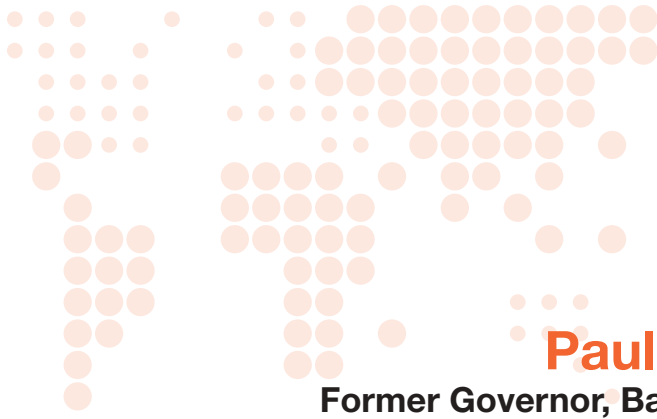
Il a la formidable idée de créer un cabinet qu'il met sur pieds en 1992 qui se nomme Stratégie & Management Consultant en abrégé SMC. Il en est le Fondateur.

De 1997 à 1999, il est nommé comme Commissaire du Gouvernement auprès de la CIE (Compagnie Ivoirienne d'Electricité) agissant également comme conseiller auprès du ministre de l'Energie. Il préside en 1999 le Conseil d'Administration de la Société d'Opération Ivoirienne d'Electricité (SOPIE).

Il est nommé ministre d'état, ministre des infrastructures économiques de Côte d'Ivoire le ...octobre 2000. Il y demeure jusqu'en février 2010. Poste qu'il retrouvera plus tard dans l

#### DISTINCTIONS HONORIFIQUES

Il est fait Chevalier de l'Ordre du Mérite Ivoirien



**Paul Acquah**  
Former Governor, Bank of Ghana  
Ghana



Dr. Paul A. Acquah was appointed Governor of the Bank of Ghana in October 2001. He served two four-year terms and was Chairman of the Bank's Monetary Policy Committee. He was also Chairman of the Committee of Governors of Central Banks of ECOWAS Member States from 2005 to 2008. During his tenure at the Bank, Dr. Acquah was repeatedly recognized as African Central Bank Governor of the Year by a number of institutions and leading publications including the *Emerging Market* magazine and *The Banker* magazine. Before joining the Bank of Ghana, Dr. Acquah was Deputy Director in the African Department of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) where he had a long and distinguished career after joining as an economist. As Deputy Director in the African Department of the IMF, he exercised responsibility for and general oversight of the operational work on African countries, including policy advice, program design, and relations with international institutions, donors and creditors. He also led Fund negotiating and other missions to a variety of countries. Currently, Dr. Acquah serves in a policy advisory role to a number of financial institutions and to ACET (African Centre for Economic Transformation), a multinational African think tank. Dr. Acquah holds a B.Sc. (Hon) in Economics from the University of Ghana, a Master's Degree in Economics from Yale University and a PhD in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania. He is a Member of the Order of the Star of Ghana, a national honor conferred on him in 2007. He was awarded, in 2008, Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*, by the University of Ghana.

**Laurent Ogowa Agossa**  
**Head, Monetary Policy and International  
Economic Relations, Commission of West  
African Economic and Monetary Union  
(UEMOA); Representative of the President of  
the Commission, Regional Council of Public  
Saving and Financial Markets (CREMPF)  
Burkina Faso**



Né en 1954 au Bénin, marié, père de quatre (04) enfants, et économiste de formation.

Etudes primaire, secondaire et universitaire (premier et deuxième cycles) faites au Bénin. Après une maîtrise en sciences économiques, Ecole d'Administration dénommée « Centre d'Etudes, de Formation Administrative et de Perfectionnement (CEFAP) », faite dans la spécialité « Planification et Aménagement du Territoire » et sorti en tant qu'Administrateur Civil.

Carrière débutée au Ministère du Développement Rural et de l'Action Coopérative de la République du Bénin en 1980 sur le poste « Analyse et gestion des projets de développement agricole ».

A rejoint ensuite l'Université pour l'enseignement supérieur comme Assistant.

A poursuivi ses études doctorales en « monnaie, banque et finance » à l'Université d'Orléans en France et une partie du cours de finance à HEC Jouy-en-Josas en programmation dynamique.

Après doctorat, carrière d'enseignant à l'Université d'Abomey-Calavi (UAC) au Bénin. A développé une connaissance et une expérience requises en économie politique de l'environnement.

A participé comme Consultant, en 1991 et 92 à l'élaboration du Plan d'Action Environnementale (PAE) du Bénin, en tant qu'Economiste Principal en planification et analyse économique de l'environnement.

Domaines d'enseignement à l'Université ont porté sur la microéconomie en première année et sur la macroéconomie approfondie au deuxième cycle de l'Institut National d'Economie (INE) du Bénin dont il a été ensuite l'un des Directeurs.

Pilotage, de janvier 1998 à fin septembre 2000, des « Etudes Prospectives du Bénin à l'horizon 2025 », en tant que Coordonnateur. A construit, à cet effet, la « vision 2025 ALAFIA du Bénin », en tant que vision partagée de développement à long terme de ce pays avec une équipe pluridisciplinaire de trente-six (36) personnes-ressources dans une approche participative.

Depuis février 2001, il est au Département des Politiques Economiques et de la Fiscalité Intérieure de la Commission de l'UEMOA, respectivement comme chargé des Etudes et Analyses Economiques, puis comme Chef de Division du Suivi de la Politique Monétaire et des Relations Economiques Internationales, en termes de politiques macroéconomiques.

Il est Membre-Conseiller au sein du Conseil Régional de l'Epargne Publique et des Marchés Financiers (CREPMF), Autorité Publique du marché financier régional de l'UEMOA, comme Représentant le Président de la Commission de l'UEMOA.

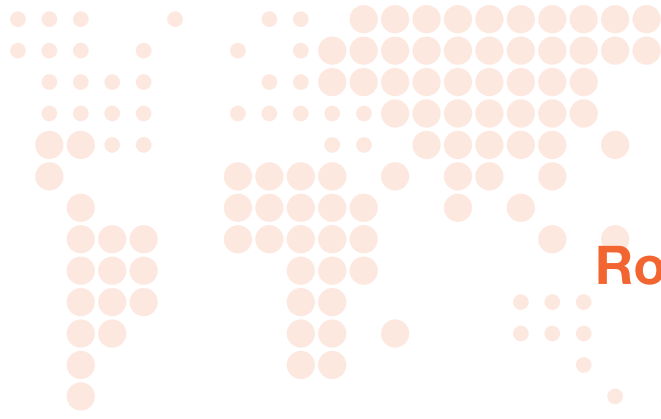


**Theodore Ahlers**  
Senior Associate,  
Centennial Group  
*United States*



Theodore Ahlers is an economist with extensive experience in Europe & Central Asia, the Middle East & North Africa, and sub-Saharan Africa. Over the last 25 years, he held numerous economist and senior management positions at the World Bank, including Strategy and Operations Director for Europe & Central Asia (2007-12), Maghreb Department Director (2002-07), and Strategy and Operations Director for Africa (2000-02). He holds a PhD in Development Economics from Tufts University, Fletcher School.





**Roland Avi**  
President,  
Reve  
Côte d'Ivoire



Expert du dispositif national ivoirien de financement de la formation professionnelle continue et l'apprentissage.  
Expert des approches formatives des secteurs non structurés.  
Analyste des stratégies contributives au développement local et au développement des collectivités décentralisées.

#### ACTIVITE PROFESSIONNELLE PERMANENTE ACTUELLE

Coordonnateur du réseau des antennes régionales du Fonds de Développement de la Formation Professionnelle (FDFP)

Mission principale : Assurer la mise en cohérence de l'ensemble des activités d'accompagnement du développement local, portées par les antennes régionales du FDFP (Appui-Conseils ; Elaboration de projets ; Pilotage de projets ; Financement ; Développement de l'offre locale de formation )

#### MISSIONS DE CONSULTANCE :

Consultant formateur dans le cadre de la professionnalisation des acteurs de la PFS Côte d'Ivoire  
Consultant formateur des Conseillers en Formation du RAFPRO (Réseau africain des institutions et fonds de formation professionnelle)

#### RESPONSABILITES EXTRA-PROFESSIONNELLES :

Président du Réseau pour la Valorisation de l'Elite de Côte d'Ivoire (REVE-CI), de 2009 à ce jour.

Les objectifs du REVE-CI

Créer une chaîne de solidarité durable et efficace entre les membres.

Contribuer à la création de richesses et d'emplois

Constituer un cercle d'influence crédible

Intégrer valablement les cadres de décisions

Participer au développement communautaire

Commissaire aux comptes de la Fondation Ariel Glaser de lutte contre le Sida pédiatrique, et membre du Conseil d'Administration.

## Jaloul Ayed

**Former Minister of Finance of Tunisia;  
Former Board Member and Chairman  
of the Management Committee,  
BMCE Group  
Tunisia**



Mr. Ayed joined Citibank in 1980 where he spent 18 years. During his career with Citibank, he held various country management positions in the emerging countries of North Africa and the Middle East, and served as Senior Banker with the Capital Markets Group at Citicorp International plc in London (1996-1998).

During his various assignments at Citibank, Mr. Ayed has formulated and implemented business strategies in the countries under his supervision and made significant contributions to developing Citibank franchises in the MENA region.

Mr. Ayed joined the BMCE Group in 1998 as Head of the Investment Banking Division. He is the founder of BMCE Capital, the investment banking arm of BMCE, a leading investment bank in Morocco and in the region. He also initiated the activities of BMCE Capital in Central and West Africa through the creation of a subsidiary of BMCE Capital in Senegal and Cameroon. In 2006, BMCE Capital launched its subsidiary AXIS Capital in Tunis. Mr. Ayed also supervised the creation by BMCE Bank of MediCapital Bank, an FSA authorized wholesale bank in London.

Mr. Ayed chaired the Management Committee of the BMCE Group during the last 10 years, as well as the boards of several fully owned subsidiaries of BMCE Bank Group and FinanceCom. He also founded Argan Invest, the largest private equity platform in Morocco.

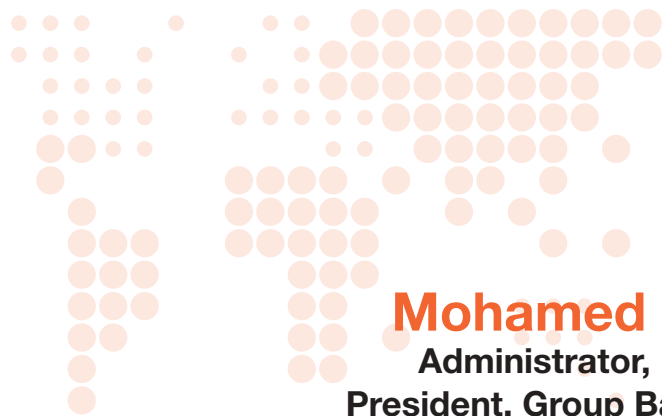
Mr. Ayed held several other senior positions in the FinanceCom Group including, but not limited to, Vice-Chairman of the Supervisory Board of RMA Watanya, the largest insurance company in Morocco, Director of Bank of Africa and Chairman of the Board of Axis Capital, Tunis.

He was also a Director at Proparco, the French development agency, and Vice Chairman and co-founder of Euromed Capital Forum.

Mr. Ayed was appointed Minister of Finance of Tunisia in January 2011 and served in the two interim governments that were formed following the Tunisian revolution.

Mr. Ayed obtained a Master's degree in Economics at the University of Maryland in 1979 where he was elected as a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

He is a renowned composer of classical music. His works include piano concertos (*Touches of Life* and *Mogador*), a violin concerto (the *Jasmine Concerto*) and a symphony (*Hannibal Barca*).



**Mohamed Bennani**  
**Administrator, BMCE Bank;**  
**President, Group Bank of Africa**  
*Morocco*



**Board Member:**

- BOA Group, BOA West Africa, AFH Océan Indien, AFH Services, BOA BENIN, BOA BURKINA FASO, BOA COTE D'IVOIRE, BOA GHANA, BOA KENYA, BOA MADAGASCAR, BOA MER ROUGE, BOA MALI, BOA NIGER, BOA SENEGAL, BOA TANZANIA, BOA UGANDA, BANQUE DE CREDIT DE BUJUMBURA (Vice-Chairman), BANQUE DE L'HABITAT DU BENIN, BOA FRANCE, ACTIBOURSE, AGORA HOLDING
- BMCE BANK

**Chairman:** BOA DCR, BOA ASSET MANAGEMENT, AGORA MALI

2010 - 2011 Board Member BANK OF AFRICA GROUP

2002 - 2009 Board Member & General Manager of BMCE Bank in charge of Retail Banking-Domestic and International

**Board Member:**

BMCE BANK, RMA WATANYA (the major insurance company in Morocco), BMCE INTERNATIONAL Madrid (the Spanish subsidiary of BMCE Bank), Maghrebail (the leasing subsidiary), SALAFIN (the consumer credit subsidiary), BMCE Capital (the investment subsidiary), BMCE Capital Gestion (the private banking subsidiary), Banque de Développement du Mali, la Congolaise de Banque, BOA Group, BOA MADAGASCAR

1997 - 2002 General Manager of BMCE Bank in charge of large corporates, international finance and international network (Paris, Madrid, London, Frankfurt, Milan, Emirates and Beijing)

1992 - 1997 Founder and General Manager of BMCE International (Madrid), the Spanish subsidiary of BMCE Bank

1989 - 1992 General Manager of Banque de Développement du Mali in charge of the restructuring of this bank, the 4th largest bank in West Africa

1976 - 1989 Senior Officer of the International Department of BMCE Bank in charge of the Middle East and the Arabian Gulf

1974 - 1976 Head of BMCE Representative Office in Beyrouth, in charge of the Middle East and the Arabian Gulf

1972 - 1974 Officer at the International Department of BMCE Bank, in charge of Europe

**EDUCATION:** Master in Economics, University of Casablanca

**MEDALS OF MERIT:**

Ouissam Achchoughl Addahabi, Royaume du Maroc

Chevalier de l'Ordre National, République du Mali

Ordre du mérite congolais grade d'Officier, République du Congo

**Roger Boa Johnson**  
President, Association of Insurance  
Companies;  
Managing Director, AXA Insurance  
*Côte d'Ivoire*



Roger Boa Johnson has worked as the Managing Director of AXA Côte d'Ivoire since 2010. He also served as the president of the Association of Insurance Companies of Côte d'Ivoire from April 2012 to May 2013. Earlier in his career, Johnson worked for AXA Côte d'Ivoire in several other managerial roles, and for several other insurance companies in Abidjan. He holds a degree from the University of Abidjan's legal school and a professional degree from the International Insurance Institute in Yaoundé, Cameroon.

**Michel Camdessus**  
**Co-Chairman, Emerging Markets  
 Forum; Governor Emeritus, Banque  
 de France; Former Managing Director,  
 International Monetary Fund (IMF)**  
*France*



Former Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, Mr. Camdessus is Honorary Governor of the Bank of France.

He is a member of the Africa Progress Panel, chaired by Mr. Kofi Annan. He was a member of the Commission for Africa, chaired by the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair. Mr. Camdessus was the Chairman of the World Panel on Financing Water Infrastructure (report: “Financing Water for All”—Kyoto—March 2003). He has been appointed as the Chairman of the French government working group in charge of preparing economic, social and structural reforms, which has produced a key report “Le Sursaut—Vers une Nouvelle Croissance pour la France” (La Documentation France, Paris—2004).

Mr. Camdessus was born in Bayonne, France on May 1, 1933. A French national, he is married to Brigitte d’Arcy; they have six children.

Mr. Camdessus was educated at the University of Paris and earned postgraduate degrees in economics at the Institute of Political Studies of Paris (Institut d’Etudes Politiques de Paris) and the National School of Administration (ENA).

Following his appointment as Administrateur Civil in the French Civil Service, Mr. Camdessus joined the Treasury in the Ministry of Finance in 1960. After serving as Financial Attaché to the French delegation at the European Economic Community in Brussels from 1966 to 1968, he returned to the Treasury and went on to become Assistant Director in 1971, Deputy Director in 1974, and Director in February 1982. During the period 1978-84, Mr. Camdessus also served as Chairman of the Paris Club and was Chairman of the Monetary Committee of the European Economic Community from December 1982 to December 1984. In August 1984, Mr. Camdessus was appointed Deputy Governor of the Bank of France and was appointed Governor of the Bank of France in November 1984. He served in this capacity until his election as Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Mr. Camdessus was elected as Managing Director and Chairman of the Executive Board of IMF on January 16, 1987. On May 22, 1996, the Executive Board of the IMF unanimously selected Mr. Camdessus to serve a third five-year term as Managing Director, beginning January 16, 1997. He was the seventh Managing Director of the IMF. Mr. Camdessus retired from the IMF on February 14, 2000.

He is the author of several books:

- *Notre foi dans ce siècle* (Michel Albert, Jean Boissonnat et Michel Camdessus—Editions Arléa—2002)
- *Eau* (Bertrand Badré, Michel Camdessus, Ivan Chéret, Pierre-Frédéric Ténrière-Buchot—Editions Robert Laffont—2004)
- *Le sursaut—Vers une nouvelle croissance pour la France* (Editions La Documentation Française—2004)
- *Lettre ouverte aux candidats à l’élection présidentielle* (Editions Bayard—2006)



**Tièna Coulibaly**  
**Minister of Economy and Finance**  
*Mali*



Né vers 1952 à Boré, dans le cercle de Douentza, Tièna Coulibaly fait ses études primaires de 1959 à 1964 dans son village natal, avant de poursuivre celles de second cycle primaire dans le chef-lieu de cercle. Il gagne Bamako et le lycée Prosper Kamara de 1969 à 1971. Avec son baccalauréat, il s'envole pour le Canada, où il étudie à l'Université Laval de Québec de 1971 à 1977. Avec un diplôme en sciences appliquées - spécialité agro-économie-, Tièna Coulibaly va aux Etats-Unis, à l'université Purdue dans l'État d'Indiana, où il décroche un Master of Sciences en agro-économie de 1977 à 1978. De 1981 à 1987, Tièna Coulibaly est conseiller technique au ministère de l'Elevage. De ce poste, il est sollicité pour occuper le poste de directeur général adjoint de la Société libyo-malienne de développement de l'élevage de 1987 à 1988. Il gravit les échelons et, de 1988 à 1991, occupe le poste de ministre des Finances et du Commerce.

Arrêté à la suite de la révolution de mars 91, il est acquitté à l'issue du procès « Crimes de sang » en 1993. En 2001, Tièna Coulibaly revient au devant de la scène pour occuper le poste de conseiller technique à la Mission de restructuration du secteur coton (MSRC). Depuis novembre 2008, il est le président directeur général de la Compagnie malienne de développement des textiles du Mali (CMDT) et s'emploie à sortir la filière cotonnière de l'ornière. C'est de ce poste qu'il vient revenir au ministère en charge de l'Economie, des Finances et du Budget.



**Johann Djedje**  
Director-General,  
Denenergy  
Côte d'Ivoire



Education:

Master of Science in International Transport and Global Logistics: Port Management and Oil Logistics  
Ecole de Management de Normandie, Le Havre, FRANCE

MBA CREPUQ PROGRAM: International Affairs  
Laval University of Québec, CANADA

Diplôme d'Ingénieur Commercial : International Trade  
ISEC Paris, FRANCE

Experience:

\*DIRECTEUR GENERAL, DENENERGY (ABIDJAN, COTE D'IVOIRE)

\*ANALYST TRADING - SHIPPING, TOTAL SA (Headquarters, PARIS LA DEFENSE, FRANCE)

\*COST CONTROLLER, MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING COMPAGNY (MSC) (Headquarters, GENEVE, SUISSE)

\*SPECIAL ASSISTANT Energy & Transport Infrastructure, de l'Administrateur Afrique (23 pays africains) BANQUE MONDIALE (Headquarters, WASHINGTON, DC, USA)

\*TRADER ANALYST, TOTAL SA (Headquarters, PARIS LA DEFENSE, FRANCE)

\*ACHETEUR, DNA MINING (JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA)



**Marco Ferroni**  
Executive Director,  
Syngenta Foundation for Sustainable  
Agriculture  
Switzerland



Marco Ferroni is Executive Director of the Syngenta Foundation for Sustainable Agriculture. The Foundation's mission is to modernize agriculture and small-scale farming by route of sustainable intensification, diversification and links to markets. Scalable solutions for farmers is the motto in six work thrusts: R&D, market-led extension, seed systems incubation, risk management, policy development and outreach. Before joining the Foundation in 2008, Dr. Ferroni held executive and advisory positions at the Inter-American Development Bank and the World Bank in Washington, DC. Earlier in his career, he worked as a finance and trade diplomat in his native Switzerland. Mr. Ferroni holds a doctoral degree in agricultural economics from Cornell University.

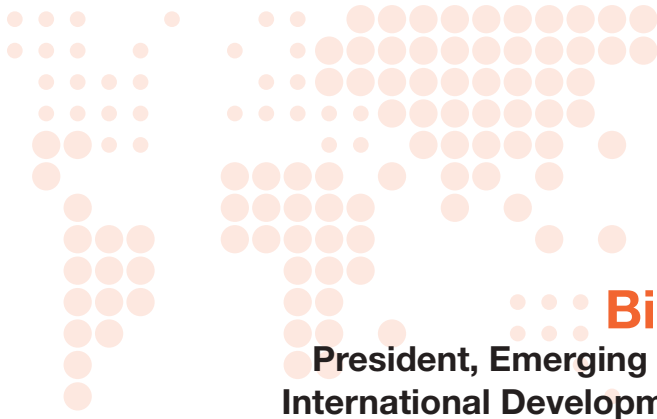




**Dominic Fritz**  
Advisor, Post-2015 Agenda, German  
Development Agency (GIZ)  
*Germany*



Dominic Fritz is advisor to former German president Horst Koehler and supports the president's work in the UN Secretary-General's High Level Panel on the Post-2015 Agenda. Dominic Fritz joined the German development agency GIZ in 2009 and has been working mainly on human development issues and social policy. His previous work experience includes the Liberia mission of Save the Children and Caritas Romania. Having completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Konstanz and Sciences Po Paris, Dominic earned his Master's Degree at the Post-War Recovery and Development Unit at the University of York, UK. Besides his day job, he is also an active choral conductor in Germany and Romania.



**Biliang Hu**  
President, Emerging Markets and  
International Development Institute  
China



Biliang Hu is the President of the Emerging Markets and International Development Institute in China. Previously he was a Professor of Economics at Beijing Normal University and the Dean of School of Economics and Resource Management of the University in China. Before his professorship, he co-founded a Delaware-based IT offshore outsourcing company – DoubleBridge Technologies Inc.; before that, he was the chief China economist of SG Securities Asia, as well as the chief representative of the company in Beijing for four years. Before his investment bank experience, he worked with the World Bank Beijing Office as an economist for three years. He also taught Economics of Development in the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences for some years.

His latest publications include *Informal Institutions and Rural Development in China* (London and New York: Routledge, 2007) and *A Village Economy in Central Thailand: Testing Chayanov's Model* (Bangkok: Thai Watana Panich Press, 2007). His works twice won the Sun Yefang Economic Prize which is the highest economics research award in China. He also won Zhang Peigang Development Economics Award in 2009.

He received his Doctorate of Economics from the School of Economics and Management, Witten/Herdecke University in Germany, and he conducted a two and half year post-doc research program at Harvard Kennedy School. His main academic interests are development economics, institutional economics and Chinese macroeconomic analysis.



## **Abdoulie Janneh**

**President, African Governance Institute;  
Executive Director, Mo Ibrahim Foundation;  
Former Executive Secretary, UN  
Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)  
Gambia**



Mr. Abdoulie Janneh is Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA). ECA is the regional arm of the United Nations in Africa. Since Mr. Janneh joined ECA, he has taken steps to strategically re-position the organization to better support Africa's development agenda. He has also overseen the articulation of the ECA Business Plan 2007–2009 to operationalize the new strategic vision. Before joining ECA, Mr. Janneh served as Assistant Secretary-General and UNDP Regional Director for Africa from June 2000 to October 2005. In that capacity, he managed UNDP's largest Regional Bureau, covering 45 countries in sub-Saharan Africa with a complement of over 1,500 staff. Prior to that, he held a number of senior positions in UNDP and its affiliated funds, including Resident Coordinator and Resident Representative in Ghana (1996–1999) and Niger (1993–1996), as well as Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Capital Development Fund (1990–1993). As a senior UN manager, Mr. Janneh has been a strong advocate for development efforts that respond effectively to Africa's national and regional priorities. Under his leadership, ECA has taken significant steps to support African countries in the area of regional integration, poverty eradication, trade, financing for development, ICTs, governance, climate change, the fight against HIV/AIDS and natural resources management. Mr. Janneh remains particularly interested in the institutional transformation of the African Union and the successful implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), including the Africa Peer Review Mechanism (APRM), as critical initiatives for achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Mr. Janneh has been striving to enhance partnership-building for Africa, as a necessary vehicle to mobilize support and build inclusiveness for shared development objectives. In this regard, he has been able to cultivate strong partnerships at the highest levels between the ECA and governments, the private sector, civil society, and national, regional and international organizations. He also serves on the advisory panels of a number of organizations involved in Africa's development and has delivered over the years a number of keynote addresses, policy statements and written articles on issues germane to Africa's development.

## Gautam Kaji

**Chairman of the Advisory Board,  
Emerging Markets Forum;  
Chairman, Centennial Group; Former  
Managing Director, World Bank**  
*United States*

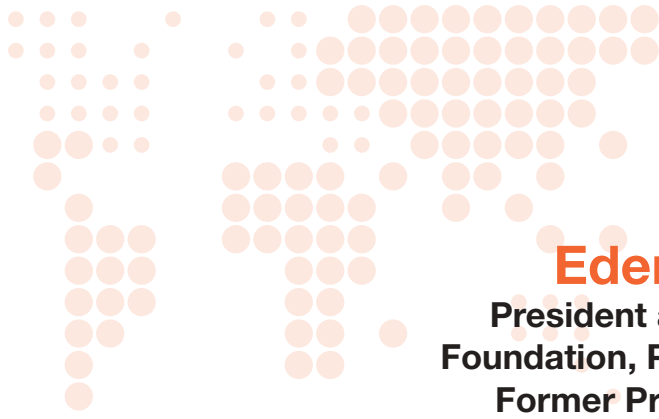


Mr. Kaji is the Chairman of the Centennial Group, a strategic advisory firm created by internationally recognized figures from the public and private sectors. The firm provides high-level policy and strategic advice to top business executives and senior public officials on how to derive maximum benefits while minimizing risks from opportunities in today's global economy.

Mr. Kaji currently serves on the Board of Directors of listed and privately held companies including: The Cabot Corp., Boston MA; The Infrastructure Development Finance Co. Ltd., India; HCL Perot Systems, Inc., Netherlands; Synergy Power Co. Ltd., Hong Kong; and Washington Asset Management, Inc., Washington, DC. In addition, he has provided services to a number of private institutions, such as J.P. Morgan, since leaving the World Bank. In a career spanning almost 30 years in economic and development policy formulation and implementation with the World Bank, Mr. Kaji played a key role in helping the institution meet the development needs of its more than 180 member nations. In the process, he earned a worldwide reputation as a leading expert on global economic and financial issues.

When he retired from the World Bank in November 1997, Mr. Kaji was Managing Director for Operations, with specific responsibility for the institution's programs in Asia and Africa. He also chaired the Operations Committee, which reviews all projects put forward for Bank support and served as co-chair of the Private Sector Development Group, which encompasses the work of the Bank's private-sector affiliates, IFC and MIGA, as well as the IBRD itself. In addition, he was a member of the Bank's Executive Committee, the core senior management team guiding the strategic direction of the institution. Earlier, Mr. Kaji served in various operational positions with the Bank—including in Africa, Europe and the Middle East, and as Director for Human Resources.

Prior to his appointment as Managing Director in 1994, he was the Bank's Vice President for operations in East Asia and the Pacific—a region with which he was closely involved for well over a decade. This involvement allowed him to develop a keen insight into the social, institutional and political considerations that influence practical policy formulation and implementation throughout Asia. He continues to maintain close personal contact with the senior policy makers and business leaders within and outside the region. Before joining the World Bank, Mr. Kaji worked for a number of years in the commercial banking sector in India, Hong Kong, the United Kingdom and the United States. He has an MBA from the Wharton School of Finance.



## **Edem Kodjo**

**President and Founder  
Foundation, Pax Africana;  
Former Prime Minister  
*Togo***



De nationalité togolaise, M. Kodjo a exercé les fonctions de Secrétaire général de l'Organisation de l'Unité Africaine (OUA), remplacée en 2002 par l'Union Africaine (UA), de juillet 1978 à juin 1983. Il a précédemment occupé les postes de Gouverneur au Fonds monétaire international (FMI), de 1967 à 1973; puis de Gouverneur de la Banque africaine de développement (BAD), de 1973 à 1976. Il a également fait carrière au sein du gouvernement togolais en tant que Chef de la diplomatie togolaise à partir de 1976, et Premier ministre de 2005 à 2006.

**Horst Koehler**  
**Former President of Germany; Former**  
**Managing Director, International**  
**Monetary Fund (IMF); Co-Chair,**  
**Emerging Markets Forum**  
*Germany*



Horst Koehler was born in Skierbieszów, Poland, on 22 February 1943. His parents, German farmers from Bessarabia in Romania, had been forcibly resettled to Poland, which was in turn occupied by the Wehrmacht. Horst Koehler is the seventh of eight children.

During the war in 1944, the family fled from the advancing Soviet troops and settled in Markkleeberg-Zöbiger near Leipzig. Here his parents built a new livelihood for themselves on a small farm. Soon, his mother in particular wanted to improve her family's opportunities. In 1953, before the uprising on 17 June, the Koehlers managed to flee to the Federal Republic of Germany via West Berlin. For four years they lived in various refugee camps before finally finding a new home in the Swabian city of Ludwigsburg in 1957.

Koehler sat his university entrance examination at Ludwigsburg's Mörke Grammar School in 1963. He did his military service, signed up for two years in the armoured infantry and became second lieutenant of the reserve. He financed his economics studies through part-time jobs. In 1969 he completed his studies at the University of Tübingen and became an academic assistant at the Institute for Applied Economic Research. That same year, he married Eva Luise Bohnet, a teacher from Ludwigsburg.

In 1977, Koehler obtained his doctorate from the University of Tübingen. His dissertation looked at the effect of technical advances on labor.

In 1976, Koehler joined the Policy Principles Directorate-General of the Federal Ministry of Economics in Bonn under Minister Otto Graf Lambsdorff.

In 1981, he left Bonn for Kiel and became Advisor to Gerhard Stoltenberg, then Minister-President of Land Schleswig-Holstein, in the State Chancellery. When Stoltenberg became Federal Finance Minister with the change of government in 1982, Koehler left Kiel to return to Bonn, where he joined the leading officials in the Finance Ministry, becoming Head of the Minister's Office.

Later he took over the Policy Principles Directorate-General and the Finance and Credit Directorate-General, which was responsible for international financial and monetary policy.

In 1990, Federal Finance Minister Theo Waigel appointed Horst Koehler State Secretary. Koehler negotiated the German-German monetary union with the GDR leadership. In Moscow, he negotiated the agreement on the withdrawal of Soviet troops from the GDR. He was chief negotiator for the Maastricht Treaty on European Monetary Union, as well as the Personal Representative (Sherpa) of Federal Chancellor Helmut Kohl for the World Economic Summits of the then G7. Koehler organized the World Economic Summit in Munich where Germany hosted the G7 in 1992.

In 1993 Horst Koehler left the Federal Government and becomes President of the German Savings Bank Association. He worked to create a modern image of the organization and recognized the particular responsibility of the savings banks for small- and medium-sized enterprises and for the social climate in the municipalities. In 1998, Helmut Kohl asked him to become President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in London. The Bank's task was to build up the market economy and democracy in the former Eastern bloc states. Koehler changed the bank's policy to give greater support to small and medium-sized enterprises. Market economy structures were to be built from the bottom up.

In 2000, Federal Chancellor Gerhard Schröder proposed Koehler as the new Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington, DC. Koehler set himself the goal of making the IMF's work transparent and more geared to crisis prevention. So he stepped up IMF cooperation with the World Bank under James D. Wolfensohn. Koehler was convinced that more has to be done to alleviate poverty if peace and stability were to be secured in the long term. To this end, he instigated far-reaching reforms in the IMF.

In 2003 he was awarded an honorary professorship by the University of Tübingen.

On 4 July 2004, Horst Koehler was sworn in as the ninth President of the Federal Republic of Germany. In the domestic arena, the Federal President was concerned above all with preserving and creating new sustainable jobs. In his opinion, Germany also needed a better education system and a creative approach to demographic change in order to regenerate itself. We now have an opportunity, Horst Koehler believed, to forge closer bonds between young and old in a more inclusive society. He also considered Germany to be a "land of ideas" with the confidence and unity required to shape its own future, a country that was shouldering its responsibility to be a force for good in the world and especially in the European Union. In the field of foreign policy, he advocated a human dimension to globalization with clearly defined rules. He was therefore a staunch campaigner for poverty eradication and the African continent.

On 23 May 2009, Federal President Koehler was re-elected for a second term of five years by an absolute majority of 613 votes in the Federal Convention in the first round of voting.

On 31 May 2010, Horst Koehler resigned from his office of Federal President.



**Harinder Kohli**  
**Chief Executive, Emerging Markets  
Forum; President and Chief Executive  
Officer, Centennial Group  
*United States***



Born in 1945, Harinder Kohli studied Mechanical Engineering at the Punjab University (India) and graduated with high distinction from Harvard University in 1972, with a Masters in Business Administration.

Mr. Kohli started his career as a production engineer at Prestolite, an automobile components manufacturer before joining Union Carbide India where he worked in its chemicals and metals division between 1967–1970. In 1970, he came to the U.S. to study management and finance.

After graduating from Harvard, he joined the World Bank at its Washington DC headquarters as a Young Professional. During his 26-year career at the Bank, he held a series of senior managerial positions involving technical, strategic and country relations responsibilities and worked in over 50 countries in all continents of the world. These positions included leading: the Division responsible for the Bank's worldwide operations in the chemicals, fertilizers, refining and petrochemicals industries; the Group responsible for formulating and overseeing the Bank's policy and strategy on Industrial and Financial Sectors Development; and the Information, Technology and Facilities Department—as one of the Bank's youngest directors.

While Mr. Kohli was in this latter position, the Bank created one of the first global corporate communications networks, pioneered the concept of universal access to personal computers for all staff, became the largest corporate user of electronic mail amongst non-technology companies and built an award winning new headquarters building. In 1990, he went on to become the Director of the Technical Department that housed senior technical experts who advised all Bank borrowers in Europe and the Middle East. In 1993, he became the Director responsible for country strategy and all lending decisions for Maghreb countries and Iran. Between 1994 and 1998, he was Senior Advisor, East Asia and Pacific, when he led the Bank's work in private participation in infrastructure. Mr. Kohli started the Centennial Group in 1998, a strategic advisory company based in Washington, D.C., specializing in emerging markets.

He has been a major shareholder, President and CEO of the parent company since its inception. The group now consists of five companies, including subsidiaries in Asia and Latin America. Its work is focused on: Economic and Political Research; Corporate Strategy for Emerging Markets; Financial Sector, Energy, Infrastructure and Urban Development; and Procurement Systems and Governance Reforms. Its clients include major international corporations, governments, and multilateral and bilateral development institutions. Mr. Kohli is a Founding Director and the Chief Executive of the Emerging Markets Forum.

**Lacina Kouakou Kouame**  
**Deputy Director of the Cabinet of**  
**Ministry of Planning and Development**  
**Côte d'Ivoire**



FONCTION

Ingénieur de Génie Civil (Option Hydraulique & Environnement); Docteur en Sciences de Conception (Option : Economie d'Énergie et de Matières Premières);

DESS en Finances, Audit et Contrôle de Gestion;

Manager de Projet de Développement International, Expert en Gestion/Suivi-Evaluation des Projets de développement international;

03 janvier 2011 à ce jour : Directeur de Cabinet Adjoint – Ministère d'Etat, Ministère du Plan et Développement

POSTITIONS ACTUELLES

Directeur de Cabinet Adjoint– Ministère d'Etat, Ministère du Plan et du Développement ;

Directeur National des Projets PARP/OMD, Appui à la Relance de la Prospective et du Programme de Renforcement des Capacités et de Modernisation des Administrations Economiques, Financières et du Plan (PRCMAEFP) du Programme de Coopération CI-PNUD ;

Président du Secrétariat Technique ayant élaboré le Plan National de Développement (PND) 2012-2015 ;

Administrateur de Société Institut de Technologie Tropicale (I2T) de 2011 à ce jour;

Vice-Président du Comité National de la Dette Publique (CNDP) ;

Président du Comité de Pilotage du Programme Appui Ciblé/BAD depuis janvier 2011

Vice-Président du Comité de Pilotage du Projet RENFCAP/BAD (PURSSAB) depuis Septembre 2012.

Membre du Comité National de Pilotage du Programme de Restructuration et de Mise à Niveau de l'Industrie en Côte d'Ivoire PRMN (UEMOA/ONUDI) de 2009 jusqu'à Avril 2013 ;

Membre du Comité de Gestion de l'Ex-Fonds de Développement Ivoirien Belge de 2011 à ce jour;

Membre du Conseil de gestion de l'Agence Nationale de Réinsertion et de Reconstruction (ANARREC) 2011-juin 2012;

Consultant Principal Coordonnateur de l'Equipe de formulation du Cadre de Programmation Pays 2012-2015 de la Fao en Côte d'Ivoire – Juillet 2012

Membre du Conseil d'Administration du BNETD depuis Août 2012.

EXPERIENCE PROFESSIONNELLE RECENTE

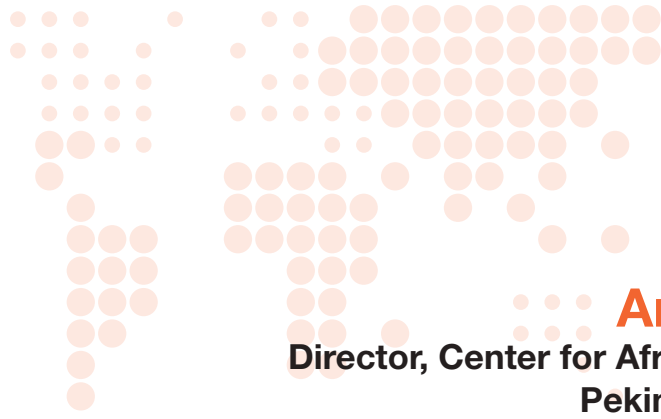
2008 à Mai 2011 :

Consultant sectoriel Plan National d'Investissement Agricole (PNIA), Expert chargé de la Planification axée sur les Résultats, Consultant PNUD, Membre du Comité National de Suivi de la Mise en Œuvre, Membre du Comité Interministériel, Membre de l'Equipe-Projet, Consultant Formateur recruté par la FAO, Consultant pour la FAO, Personne Ressource/Formateur en Gestion Axée sur les Résultats (GAR), Personne Ressource/formateur pour l'Alliance des Maires contre le VIH/SIDA

Février 2002 à Mai 2011 :

Directeur de la Coordination, du Contrôle et de l'Evaluation, Matrice d'Actions Gouvernementales- MAG -Personne Ressource pour le Service Civique National et Facilitateur à l'Atelier





**Anshan Li**  
**Director, Center for African Studies**  
**Peking University**  
**China**



#### Related Experiences (2000-2010)

May 2010: Leader of a delegation to visit Cameroon, Tanzania and Kenya in a mission to assess follow-up action of FOCAC

February 2010: Keynote speaker at China-Japan-Korea International Seminar “East Asia and Africa in the 21st Century” organized by JETRO-JICA, Tokyo, Japan

January 2009: Present China leader of CHINA-DAC Study Group on Development and Poverty Reduction IPRCC-DAC(OECD) joint project

December 2008: Member of a delegation of Ministry of Health to the Sudan, Tanzania and Botswana

April 2008: Keynote speaker at Nairobi Club, Kenya

May 2007: Keynote speaker at FT Executive Breakfast Forum, “China-Africa Partnership: The Role of the Banking Sector”, Financial Times and African Ecobank, Shanghai

November 2006: Invited guest to Beijing Summit of the Forum on China-African Cooperation

November 2005: Invited guest to Sino-African Education Ministers Forum, Beijing, China

October 2000: Invited guest to China-Africa Cooperation Forum--Beijing 2000 Ministerial Conference

July-August 2000: Member of the Delegation of the Ministry of Education of China to visit Madagascar, Uganda, Zambia and Mozambique

Publication and Speciality: FOCAC Twelve Years Later-Achievements, Challenges and the Way Forward (Uppsala, 2012), A History of Overseas Chinese in Africa to 1911 (New York, 2012), Chinese Medical Cooperation in Africa: With a Special Emphasis on Chinese Medical Team and Anti-Malaria Campaign (Uppsala, 2011), British Rule and Rural Protest in Southern Ghana (New York, 2002) and various publication about African history in Chinese. His interests cover African history under colonialism, African foreign relations, and Chinese overseas and development studies. He visited many African countries and was invited as distinguished guest at FOCAC-Beijing Ministerial Conference (2000), Sino-African Education Ministers Forum (2005) and FOCAC-Beijing Summit (2006). In 2010, he led a delegation to Cameroon, Kenya and Tanzania with a mission to evaluate the follow-up action of FOCAC.



**Albert Toikeusse Mabri**  
**Minister of Planning and Development**  
*Côte d'Ivoire*



#### DIPLÔMES

- Docteur d'État en Médecine (Université d'Abidjan)
- Master en santé publique (Washington University, USA)
- Plusieurs certificats dans les domaines de Santé et Environnement, de Prévention et de Gestion de crise aux USA (FBI), au Japon (Kumamoto University) et au Mali (Centre de Recherche sur l'Énergie solaire)

#### DOMAINES DE COMPÉTENCES

- Santé au travail
- Santé et Environnement
- Santé communautaire
- Organisation communautaire
- Études d'impact Environnemental
- Prévention et Gestion des catastrophes
- Communication pour le changement de comportement (Promotion de la Santé et Prévention des Maladies)

#### INSTITUTIONS

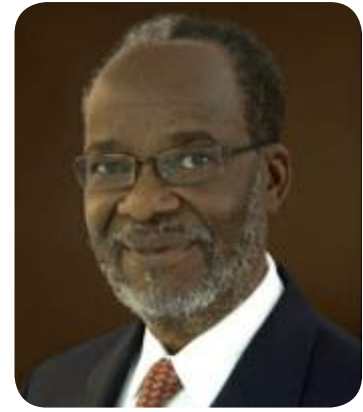
- Ministre d'État, Ministre du Plan et du Développement du 13 mars 2012 à ce jour
- Ministre d'État, Ministre du Plan et du Développement du 1er juin 2011 au 08 mars 2012
- Ministre du Plan du 7 décembre 2010 au 31 mai 2011
- Ministre du transport du 7 avril 2007 au 12 février 2010
- Ministre de l'intégration du 28 décembre 2005 au 7 avril 2007
- Ministre d'État, Ministre de la Santé et de la Population dans le Gouvernement de Réconciliation Nationale du 13 mars 2003 au 28 décembre 2005
- Député à l'Assemblée Nationale (Circonscription de Zouan-Hounien) depuis le 10 décembre 2000
- Président de la Commission de l'Environnement de l'Assemblée Nationale jusqu'au 13 mars 2003

#### DIVERS

- Membre fondateur du Réseau des Parlementaires Africains Pour L'Environnement (PAE)
- Membre du Réseau des Parlementaires pour l'Action Mondiale (PGA)
- Membre de l'Association Américaine de Santé Publique (APHA)
- Membre de l'Association Internationale de Santé Rurale et Agricole basée au Japon
- Membre de plusieurs Assemblées Mondiales de la Santé et des Organisations Régionales de Santé
- Participant au sommet Mondial sur le Développement durable en 2002 à Johannesburg
- Membre Fondateur de l'Association Ivoirienne de Santé Rurale
- Membre des Conseils des Ministres de la CEDEAO, de l'UEMOA, de l'Union Africaine et de la CENSAD
- Gouverneur pour la Côte d'Ivoire à la Banque Africaine de Développement (BAD), à la Banque Islamique de Développement (BID), et à la Banque d'Investissement et de Développement de la CEDEAO (BIDC)
- Gouverneur suppléant à la Banque mondiale
- Président de la conférence des ministres africains des finances, de la planification et du développement économique depuis le 25 mars 2013



**Callisto Madavo**  
**Visiting Professor, African Studies**  
**Program, School of Foreign Service,**  
**Georgetown University; Former Regional**  
**Vice President (Africa), World Bank**  
*Zimbabwe*



Callisto Madavo is Founding Director and Chairman of the Management Committee of Centennial Group Africa. Mr. Madavo served at the World Bank for 35 years where he held several senior-level positions, including Vice President for the Africa Region and Country Director for East Asia and East Africa. Earlier he worked on urban projects in Africa and Latin America. Mr. Madavo has extensive experience in development work focusing on issues of economic growth, urbanization, poverty reduction, good governance, private sector development, post-conflict programs and social development. As Vice President for Africa at the World Bank, he championed a number of initiatives on HIV/AIDS, capacity building, and infrastructure. Currently, he is a visiting professor in the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University, where he teaches courses on the development of African economies and the new and growing role of emerging economies of the South (China, India, Brazil) and Africa. He has consulted for a number of international organizations such as the Global Fund, UNAIDS and the African Development Bank, and served on several working groups with particular reference to development issues in Africa. He is on the Board of several international NGOs active in Africa, such as the International Alliance for HIV/AIDS and AFRICARE. A native of Zimbabwe, Professor Madavo earned his PhD in economics from the University of Notre Dame.

**Mamoudou Meite**  
**Secrétaire Général, Fédération**  
**Internationale de la Filière Cajou**  
**(FILCAJOU)**  
*Côte d'Ivoire*



**EXPERIENCE PROFESSIONNELLE DANS LA FILIERE CAJOU**

Janv. 2013 Président du comité scientifique pour la fixation du prix du cajou 2013 en Côte d'ivoire

Fév. 2013 Président du comité de réflexion, de veille et de suivi de la campagne de cajou 2013 en Côte d'ivoire

2009 Président du COSYNAPACI (Collectif des Organisations et des Associations des Producteurs d'anacardes en Côte d'Ivoire)

2007 Secrétaire Général de la FILCAJOU (Fédération Internationale pour la Filière du Cajou).

2006 Représentant de l'Etat de Côte d'Ivoire envoyé par le Ministère de la Reconstruction et de la Réhabilitation au sémi naire de formation avec Angélique International Limited à GOA (INDE)

Thème : Impact de l'Industrialisation de la filière cajou sur la reconstruction et la réinsertion des jeunes en Cote D'ivoire.

2004 Directeur Général propriétaire de GI-N'GS (Groupe International N'ghonon Services), société de courtage et commerce international

2000 Conseiller technique de la coopérative agricole Lemissa

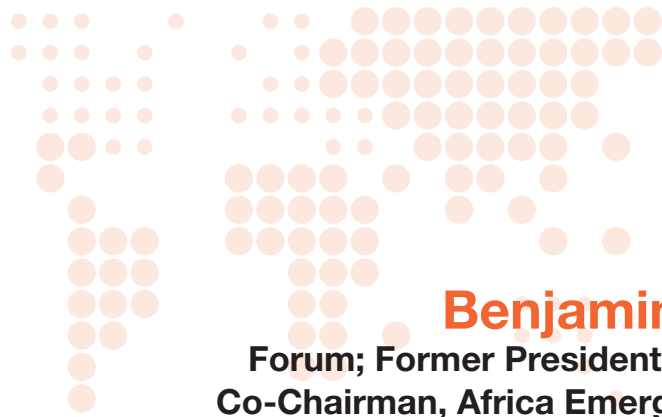
**EXPERIENCE PROFESSIONNELLE DANS LA SOCIETE CIVILE**

2003 Distingué Ambassadeur de paix par la Fédération Interreligieuse internationale pour la paix mondiale au colloque international de 2003 en Côte d'ivoire

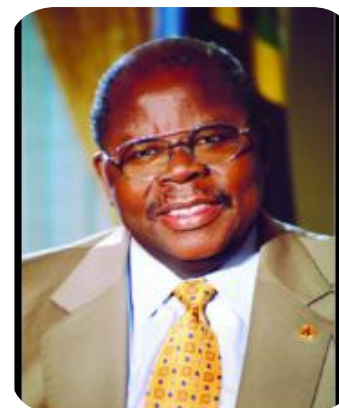
2004 Président Fondateur de « l'ONG j'aime la cité »

2005 Secrétaire Général Adjoint de la Fédération Interreligieuse internationale pour la paix mondiale (section Côte d'Ivoire)

2005 Président du comité scientifique chargé de l'introduction du patrimoine Islamique au Musée des Civilisations de Côte d'Ivoire



**Benjamin Mkapa**  
**Forum; Former President of Tanzania;**  
**Co-Chairman, Africa Emerging Markets**  
*Tanzania*



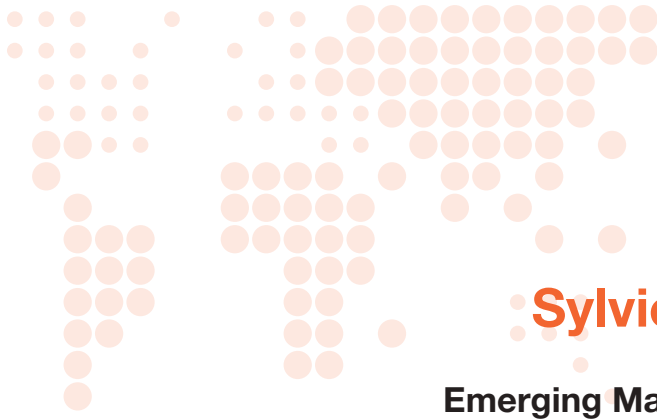
Benjamin W. Mkapa, a seasoned journalist, diplomat and politician, was elected President of Tanzania in November 1995. He is the third President of the United Republic of Tanzania since independence in 1961. President Mkapa was born in 1938 in Masasi, in the Mtwara region of the country. He received his primary and secondary education in Tanzania, and continued his studies at Makerere University College in Uganda, obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in English (with honours) in 1962.

President Mkapa's career began in local administration in Dodoma where he was appointed District Officer in 1962. He became a Foreign Service Officer later that year. In 1966 Mr. Mkapa embarked upon a long career in journalism. During the 1960s and 70s he served as Managing Editor of Tanzania's leading newspapers, The Nationalist, Uhuru, The Daily News, and The Sunday News.

His experience in the news media led to his being appointed, in 1974, as Press Secretary to the then President of Tanzania, Mwalimu Julius Kambarage Nyerere, whom he served for two years. In 1976, Mr. Mkapa became the Founding Editor of the Tanzania News Agency (SHIHATA). He also became Minister for Information and Culture in 1980-82; and again Minister for Information and Broadcasting in 1990-92.

President Mkapa's equally long diplomatic career included a number of high postings, including High Commissioner to Nigeria (in 1976) and Minister for Foreign Affairs (from 1977 to 1980). In 1982, he served as High Commissioner to Canada and between 1983 and 1984 as Ambassador to the United States of America. He returned home in 1984 where he was again appointed Member of Parliament and Minister for Foreign Affairs. In 1992, he served as Minister for Science, Technology and Higher Education, prior to being elected President in 1995, and Chairman of his Party, Chama Cha Mapinduzi, in 1996. He was reelected President in 2000 for another 5 year term. Throughout his political career, President Mkapa has worked to strengthen Tanzanian democracy, entrench civil rights and fight poverty, while increasing the country's exposure to international trade and investment. He is active in conflict prevention, management and resolution in the Great Lakes Region of Africa, and is an active player in regional economic co-operation within the East African Community, and the Southern African Development Community of which he was Chairperson for 2003/2004. In January 2002, President Mkapa was appointed, together with the President of Finland, Co-Chair of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalisation. In March 2004, he was appointed to serve as a Commissioner in the Commission for Africa established by British Prime Minister, Tony Blair. In 21st December 2005, President Mkapa relinquishes powers voluntarily after the end of his two terms in office as a president of United Republic of Tanzania. He will continue to be the Chairman of the ruling party CCM until June 2006, when he will handle the chairmanship to his successor, President Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete. President Mkapa continues to serve in a number of international engagements, among them, he is Co-Chair of the Investment Climate Facility for Africa, an initiative supported by British Government, European Union, World Bank and Multinationals corporations. He is the current Chairman (2006-....) of the South Centre, an intergovernmental organization which fights for the issue of paramount importance for developing countries, including China and the Chairperson for the Emerging Markets Forum (African Region). He was a member of Panel of Eminent Persons appointed by the UNCTAD Secretary General (2005) to review and enhance the role of UNCTAD within the United Nations reforms. He was also a member of the panel appointed by United Nations General Secretary in 2006, to review the United Nations Reforms on the system wide coherence in environment, humanitarian assistance and development. Currently, he is serving in a board of trustees for African wildlife foundation, and High Level Panel of legal empowerment of the Poor. President Mkapa holds four honorary doctorate degrees from Soka University in Japan (1998), Morehouse College, Atlanta, USA (1999), the Open University of Tanzania (2003) and the National University of Lesotho (2005)., University of Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania (2006) and Newcastle University, United Kingdom (2007).

His first book in the series, *Uwazi na Ukweli: Rais wa Watu Azungumza na Wananchi (Truth and Transparency: The People's President Talks to the People)* was published by Mkuki na Nyota Publishers, Dar es Salaam in 2003. The second book in the series was published by the same publisher in 2005. He is married to the former Anna Joseph Maro, and they have two sons and one grandson. His main hobby is reading.



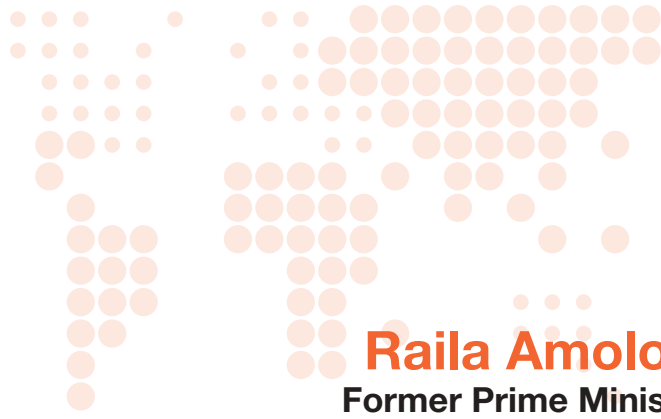
**Sylvie Naville**  
Director,  
Emerging Markets Forum  
*France*



Specialized in strategic communication and project management, Sylvie Naville joined the Emerging Markets Forum in February 2007 to lead the management of the Forum's activities. Former Associate Director for Latin America at the World Economic Forum, she was responsible for strategy, activities and community-building in the region. She worked for more than 15 years with this international organization, involved in the Mercosur Economic Summit and other business activity in Latin America.

From 2001, in addition to the involvement of business, academia, media and political leaders, she took the initiative of enlarging the participation of civil society in the Latin America Summits. Before that, she was in charge of institutional relations in Spain and Southern/Eastern Europe, and responsible for the engineering and construction industries.

She graduated in Philosophy and Literature and has a Master's Degree in Foreign Languages Applied to Business and Commerce from the University Jean Moulin Lyon III, together with Diplomas from the Spanish Chamber of Commerce and the Italian Chamber of Commerce in Paris. She is certified in English by Cambridge University.



**Raila Amolo Odinga**  
Former Prime Minister of Kenya  
Kenya



The Rt Hon. Raila Amolo Odinga was, until March 2013, the Prime Minister of the Republic of Kenya and Member of Parliament for Langata Constituency within the city of Nairobi, Kenya since 1992. Mr. Odinga became Prime Minister following the signing of the National Accord and Reconciliation Act 2008 which created the office to facilitate power-sharing between the main protagonists of the controversial 2007 elections in Kenya. The hallmark of Mr. Odinga's life and career has been his role in the struggle for freedom and democracy in Kenya since the 1970s, for which he was three times detained without trial. During the 1990s, he worked closely with the International Republican Institute to promote peace and conflict resolution in the then war-torn countries of Mozambique and Burundi and offered similar support to peaceful electoral processes in Nigeria and Zimbabwe. Mr. Odinga has received honors and recognition for his various roles, including recently, an honorary Doctor of Letters degree from the University of Nairobi for his role in restoring peace to Kenya following the controversial 2007 elections. In February 2011, he was appointed Special Peace Envoy of the African Union following the post-election crisis in Côte d'Ivoire. Mr. Odinga strongly recommended that Mr. Laurent Gbagbo surrender power to the winner, current President Alassane Ouattara.

Besides his career in politics, Mr. Odinga is also a successful businessman and entrepreneur, having founded the flagship family business, East Africa Spectre, a manufacturer of gas cylinders for Kenya and the East African region. Subsequently, he founded Spectre International. Because of his father Jaramogi Oginga Odinga's opposition politics and the resulting backlash against him and his family, Mr. Odinga completed his secondary school education at the Herder-Institut, Leipzig, Germany, before proceeding to the Magdeburg College of Advanced Technology, completing a Master of Science Degree (Mechanical Engineering) in 1969. He then returned to Kenya and taught at the University of Nairobi's Department of Mechanical Engineering between 1970 and 1974. He resigned from the university and was appointed to the Kenya Bureau of Standards, which he was instrumental in establishing. He continued running the family business while also devoting himself to the struggle for democracy in Kenya, for which he was detained without trial for most of the years 1983-1991. He became a founding member of the Forum for the Restoration of Democracy (FORD, later FORD-Kenya) in 1991, the National Democratic Party in 1996, the Liberal Democratic Party in 1997, and in 2005 his present political vehicle, the Orange Democratic Party of Kenya, of which he was elected party leader and presidential candidate in 2007.



## **Kunio Okamura**

**Senior Special Advisor, Japanese  
International Cooperation Agency  
(JICA)**  
*Japan*



Mr. Okamura is the Senior Special Advisor for development partnerships with bilateral and multi-lateral institutions and loan assistance at the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). Before this current position, he led Operations Strategy Department as Director-General at JICA from 2005 to 2012. During the merger of the Overseas Economic Operation of Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) with JICA, he had supervised overall strategy and operations of JICA. In his early career, he was involved with Japanese ODA loans mainly to Africa, including several years as Chief Representative in France.





**Alassane Ouattara**  
Président de la République  
Côte d'Ivoire



Alassane Ouattara est né le 1er Janvier 1942, à Dimbokro, de feu Dramane Ouattara et de Hadja Nabintou Ouattara née Cissé. Il est marié et père de quatre (4) enfants.

Il fait ses études primaires en Côte d'Ivoire, et secondaires en Haute Volta, actuel Burkina Faso. Il y obtient brillamment, en 1962, son Baccalauréat, série Mathématiques Elémentaires, et bénéficie d'une bourse Américaine pour poursuivre ses études aux Etats-Unis. Inscrit successivement à l'Institut de Technologie de Drexel, puis à l'Université de Pennsylvanie à Philadelphie, il obtient en 1967 un Master in Economics.

Muni de ce parchemin, il entre au Fonds Monétaire International (FMI), en avril 1968, comme Economiste. Avidé de connaissances, Alassane Ouattara poursuit ses études pour obtenir, en mai 1972, un Doctorat d'Etat en Sciences Economiques (Ph.D. in Economics). En 1973, il intègre la Banque Centrale des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (BCEAO) alors à Paris. En 1982, il en devient Vice-gouverneur. Il est alors âgé de 40 ans.

En novembre 1984, il retourne au FMI pour occuper les fonctions de Directeur Afrique. En octobre 1988, il succède à Abdoulaye Fadiga à la tête de la BCEAO.

En avril 1990, alors que la Côte d'Ivoire est secouée par une crise sans précédent, le Président Félix Houphouët-Boigny l'appelle à ses côtés, d'abord en qualité de Président du Comité Interministériel de Coordination du Programme de Stabilisation et de Relance Economique, puis de Premier Ministre, Chef du Gouvernement, le 7 Novembre 1990. Au décès du Président Houphouët-Boigny, le 7 décembre 1993, Alassane Ouattara retourne au FMI où il est nommé Directeur Général Adjoint en juillet 1994.

En juillet 1999, il met fin à son engagement auprès du FMI et rentre en Côte d'Ivoire. Il est élu Président du Rassemblement des Républicains (RDR), lors d'un congrès extraordinaire.

Candidat à l'élection présidentielle de 2010, Alassane Ouattara élu Président de la République avec 54,10 % des voix et est investi le 21 mai 2011 à Yamoussoukro.

#### DISTINCTIONS HONORIFIQUES

- Grand-Croix de l'Ordre National de Côte d'Ivoire
- Grand-Croix de la Légion d'Honneur française
- Grand-Croix de l'Ordre National du Bénin
- Grade Extraordinaire de l'Ordre National du Mérite Libanais
- Wissam Al Mohammadi du Royaume du Maroc
- Commandeur de l'Ordre du LION du Sénégal
- Commandeur de l'Ordre du MONO du Togo
- Commandeur de l'Ordre National du Niger
- Gouverneur honoraire de la BCEAO

**Dominique Ouattara**  
**First Lady; Chairwoman and Founder,**  
**Children of Africa Foundation**  
*Côte d'Ivoire*



Mrs. Claudine Dominique Ouattara, was born Nouvian on December 16th, 1953 in Constantine. After graduating in A-Levels in Economics in 1972 at the Academy of Strasbourg, she turned to languages and received a degree in languages in 1975 at the Paris X University. These studies were followed by a degree of property manager in 1987 and a diploma in Real Estate Expertise obtained in Paris in 1989.

Since her husband's accession to the Presidency, Mrs. Dominique Ouattara gave up all her activities as an entrepreneur to be at the service of her fellow citizens. However, she has to her credit a strong experience in the world of business. Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the company AICI, which became Group AICI International the same year, she opened an AICI agency in Yamoussoukro and offices in Bouaké, San Pedro and Jacqueville.

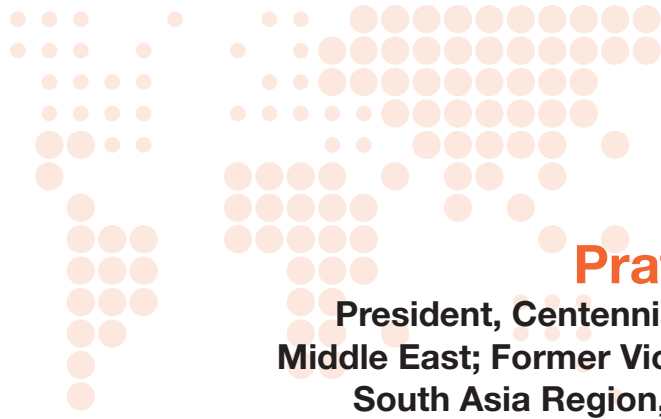
In 1989, Dominique Ouattara created an AICI agency in Paris, in the 16th arrondissement. That agency, located on avenue Victor Hugo, quickly became the showcase of the Group AICI in Europe. During the same year, her peers elected her as Honorary Chairwoman of the Employer's Union of Real Estate Agents of Côte d'Ivoire (CSDAIM). In 1991, followed the creation of an agency in Cannes which is today one of the most successful in the region, and in 1993, and the creation of a realtor's agent managing office of joint ownership, Malesherbes Gestion, in Paris which manages more than 200 Parisian buildings. In 2001, an AICI new agency was opened in Gabon, Libreville, a leading country of Central Africa. In February 2006, AICI International opened an office in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, a country where expansion demand is becoming higher and higher.

In addition to continuing her real estate business, Mrs. Ouattara became CEO of EJD inc., the company that manages the Jacques Dessange Institute, located in Washington. This institute has become today one of the most visited places of the American capital. In 1998, Mrs. Ouattara acquired Jacques Dessange franchise agreement in the USA. She therefore became the Chief Executive Officer of the company "French Beauty Services" in Washington DC, including all of Jacques Dessange's franchises in the country: hairdressing salons, beauty parlors, beauty schools, and distribution of Jacques Dessange products.

Mrs. Ouattara began her activities as philanthropist in 1980. At that time, she conducted humanitarian missions in Côte d'Ivoire, to bring aid and comfort to underprivileged populations. Concerned by the obvious needs of the population, she decided to formalize her actions by creating Children of Africa Foundation for African children in 1998. Since then she has built a real multinational organization, which includes dozens of volunteers to help the poorest children on the African continent.

She asked her friend, Princess Ira von Fürstenberg, to be the patron of the Foundation, and help her mobilize goodwill to raise money during charity evenings. Every year, the Children of Africa Foundation helps thousands of disadvantaged children and women in Africa and especially in Côte d'Ivoire.

Mrs. Ouattara campaigns on all fronts against child labor. Confident of this commitment, the President of the Republic appointed her, on November 03, 2011, President of the National Monitoring Committee of Actions in the Fight Against Child Trafficking, Exploitation and Labor. Her mission is to monitor and evaluate the actions of the Government in the fight against child exploitation. The activities of her committee and her partners led to the adoption, on March 23, 2012 of a National Action Plan 2012-2014, to significantly reduce the worst forms of child labor by 2014. In June 2012, the U.S. State Department report on the fight against trafficking in persons had reclassified Côte d'Ivoire in Tier 2, a sign of the progress made in the fight against child labor.

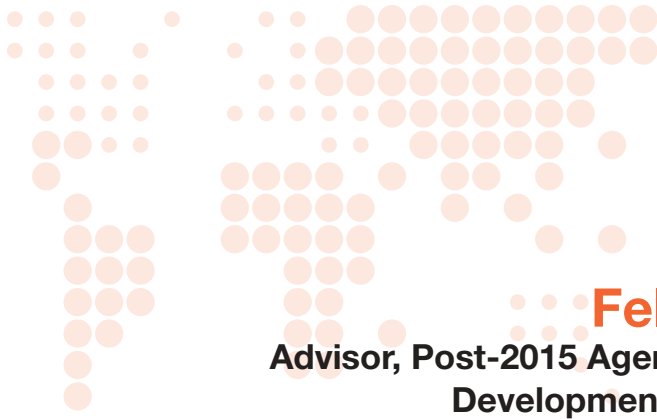


**Praful Patel**  
**President, Centennial Africa and  
Middle East; Former Vice President,  
South Asia Region, World Bank**  
*Uganda*



A Ugandan national, Praful Patel is one of the senior corporate leaders of the World Bank. He is currently the Regional Vice President of South Asia. Praful joined the World Bank in 1974 through the Young Professional Program, after completing his higher education from the University of Nairobi in Kenya and, later, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the USA.

In a career spanning 35 years, Praful has provided strategic leadership in managerial and corporate positions in various parts of the Bank taking forward the institution's mission of poverty alleviation in regions as varied as Africa, East Asia, Latin America and Northern Africa and the Middle East. In the process, Praful has covered different sectors including urban, infrastructure, private sector, financial sector and macroeconomic management. Praful's management skills and experience have also been called upon to support the Bank's institutional agenda. He has effectively led the organization's Appeals Committee, supported the development of country teams, and played a primary role representing the Bank in developing and implementing the Africa Capacity Building Program. He has also taken on senior management oversight of complex Bank-supported initiatives in countries confronting major macroeconomic shocks, post-conflict countries and countries involving international cross-boundary undertakings; and has piloted—in Southern Africa—the Bank's increasing shift to country dialogue based on knowledge management and support of local capacity. Praful retired from the World Bank in 2008 and has taken over as President of Centennial Africa & Middle East.



**Felix Povel**  
Advisor, Post-2015 Agenda, German  
Development Bank (KfW)  
*Germany*



Felix Povel works as an economist at the German Development Bank (KfW) and advises President Horst Koehler in the Post-2015 Agenda negotiations. He holds a PhD in development economics from the University of Goettingen, Germany. Before joining KfW he was a post-doc at the University of California, Berkeley.

**Tania Roediger-Vorwerk**  
**Director, Beyond 2015 Sherpa, Federal**  
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Present position

Deputy Director General Post 2015 Sherpa

Duties include

- Sherpa for the Eminent Person of the Secretary-Generals Panel on the Post-2015 Development Planning Prof. Dr. Horst Köhler
- Overarching sectoral, bilateral and multilateral policy development for Germany's development cooperation on the Post 2015 agenda
- Policy and strategic coherence dialogue with private (f.ex. Gates Foundation) and public international development actors on the Post 2015 agenda

Major achievements

Coordination of BMZ conceptual and strategic response on international development challenges (Development Concept: Minds for Change – Enhancing opportunities; White Book for Development, International Future Conference 2011 in Berlin on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the BMZ, Development Concept Plus , annual thematic approach for German development agencies and BMZ; Global Leadership Academy, German Concept concerning Fragile States (cooperation of BMZ; Fed. Foreign office and Ministry of Defense)

Positions and Responsibilities

- Deputy Director General Policy Planning and Strategy
- Head of the Policy Planning Staff, BMZ
- Head Division InWent; Higher Education, Cultural and Scientific Institutions, BMZ
- Head of the Team of General Personnel Matters and Personnel Development, BMZ
- Deputy Head of the South Asia Department (India, Nepal, Sri Lanka (Tsunami)), BMZ
- Deputy Head of the Department of International Affairs and Protocol
- Special advisor for the repositioning of the City of Bonn after the reunification of Germany and speech writer for the mayor of Bonn Bärbel Dieckmann
- Lead preparation International Strategy of the City Alliance Member Bonn
- Lead preparation of the International Conference of Mayors on Desertification, Bonn
- Member preparation Team of the Conference of Freshwater, 2001
- Development and Launch of the German UN City Concept
- Corporate Lawyer, Legal Department, City of Bonn
- Senior Consultant, International Management Consultancy Kienbaum, Düsseldorf
- Research Fellow at the Chair of Public Law Prof. Dr. Josef Isensee, Faculty of Law, University of Bonn
- International Law Firm Redeker, Sellner, Dahs und Widmaier
- UNESCO Staff member for a global UNESCO Educational Program, Munich (Germany) and Seoul (South Korea)

Education

- Ph.D. in European Environmental Law (Erich Schmidt Verlag, Berlin)
- Studies of Law at the University of Freiburg, Gießen and Law Degree in Munich
- Studies of Northern Languages, University of Freiburg and Munich
- School examination in Denmark
- Several awarded foundation scholarships



**Anil Sood**  
**Senior Advisor, Emerging Markets  
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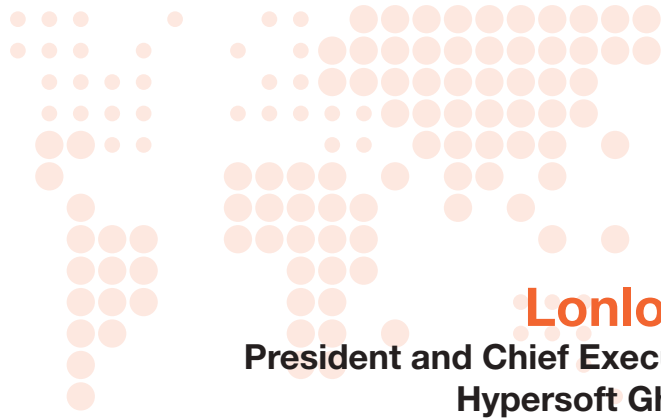


Mr. Sood is a principal of Centennial Group International as well as Senior Advisor, Emerging Markets Forum. Over the past four years, he has served also as Advisor to the Heads and Senior Management of the African Development Bank, the Islamic Development Bank Group, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, and the United Nations Development Programme on issues of strategy and development priorities, business planning and resource mobilization, and all aspects of development and organizational effectiveness.

Prior to his current role, Mr. Sood was Vice President, Strategy and Resource Management at the World Bank with responsibility for carrying forward the implementation of Bank-wide strategy, the allocation of resources across its world-wide operations, and support to the Bank's renewal program to enhance its development effectiveness. In his 30 year career at the World Bank, he occupied many senior positions concerned with the management of its operations across different sectors in Europe, Central Asia, the Middle East and North Africa.

Anil Sood is co-editor of the recently published book, *India 2039: An affluent society in one generation*. He is currently working also on the long-term development prospects of the emerging markets in Eurasia and Latin America.

Mr. Sood graduated from Harvard Business School (MBA, Finance/International Business, 1975), Cornell University (MS, Mechanical Engineering, 1973), and the Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi (BS, Mechanical Engineering, 1971).



**Lonlon Tekpa**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer,**  
**Hypersoft Ghana Limited**  
*Ghana*



Lonlon Deeds Tekpa was born November 12, 1978. He is an entrepreneur, a senior development consultant and a multiple award-winning innovator. With an equated post-graduate competency in deep Information Communications Technology (ICT), Innovations, Development Studies and Project Management Profession, Mr. Tekpa presently serves as the President, Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Architect of Hypersoft Ghana Limited – a total & expert ICT solutions provider in Africa. Hypersoft is also a leader in project management professional services provision in Africa: i.e. project management, program management, project portfolio management (PPM), project management offices (PMOs) setup and organizational project management maturity model (OPM3) consulting. Mr. Tekpa is fluent in English and French languages. He has deep passions for innovations and developments – and deeper concerns about the growth of Africa. Mr. Tekpa is also the Head Pastor and the Anointed Servant of God (in the Ministry of God, he is Pastor Deeds) with THE DEEDS Ministries International, a Christ Follower Church which he is currently working on in Ghana as he executes a long Call of the Lord God Almighty upon his life.

Expertise domains: Deep Information Communication Technology (ICT), Innovations and Project Management Professional competencies. Strong passions for developments and excellent problems solving and/or prevention abilities. Solid public speaking, presentation and leadership skill-sets. Over a decade of senior management work experience. Expert at jobs creation and entrepreneurship.

Mr. Tekpa served as a senior consultant and an advisor to Ghana's former Honorable Minister of Finance and Economic Planning on development issues as he assisted with the challenges of donor funds disbursements into projects in Ghana and delivered appropriate recommendations on aid effectiveness for the country going forward. Mr. Tekpa also served as the head of Information Communications Technology (ICT) for CARE International Gulf of Guinea (Ghana-Togo-Benin), a US-based international non-governmental, human-centered and developmental organization, for 2 years and 7 months. Prior to joining CARE International Gulf of Guinea, Mr. Tekpa served in the same capacity with The Eagle Group Limited for 3 years.

In 2010, Mr. Tekpa was selected as a winner of the G20/Ashoka ChangeMakers Challenge in Innovations. In 2011, Mr. Tekpa was selected as a winner of the World Bank/infoDev Global Top 50 Competition in Innovations and Technology Entrepreneurship held in Helsinki, Finland during the 4th Global Forum. Mr. Tekpa is a Special Advisor in waiting to Ghana's Honorable Minister of Environment, Science, Technology and Innovations (MESTI) on Innovations.

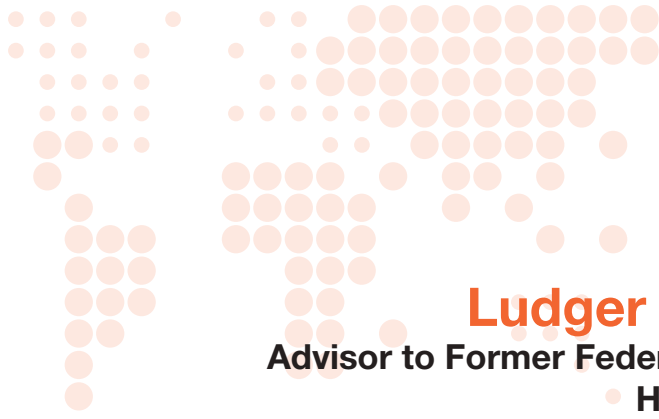


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Ippei Tsuruga is Research Officer at the JICA Research Institute. Prior to his current position, he was Country Officer in charge of Kenya, Nigeria, Somalia, Eritrea and an emergency response for the Horn of Africa Crisis in 2011. He also has a working experience with International Labour Organisation and NGOs. His current interests include such issues as poverty, vulnerability, social protection, and inclusive growth. He obtained MA in Poverty and Development from Institute of Development Studies based at University of Sussex and BA in Law from Kagawa University.





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- 2012 Director of the Office of former Federal President Horst Koehler
- 2012 Joined Federal Ministry of Finance
- 2010 - 2012 Principal Private Secretary to the President of the Federal Republic of Germany
- 2008 - 2010 Member of the Personal Staff, Office of the President of the Federal Republic of Germany
- 1997 - 2010 Officer, Federal Armed Forces, reconnaissance branch



## Eiro Yonezaki

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Eiro Yonezaki was the Resident Representative of the Japanese International Cooperation Agency in the Republic of Congo. He also served as the former director of JICA's West and Central Africa Division, and as JICA's Resident Representative in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Now he is the Chief Representative in Côte d'Ivoire.



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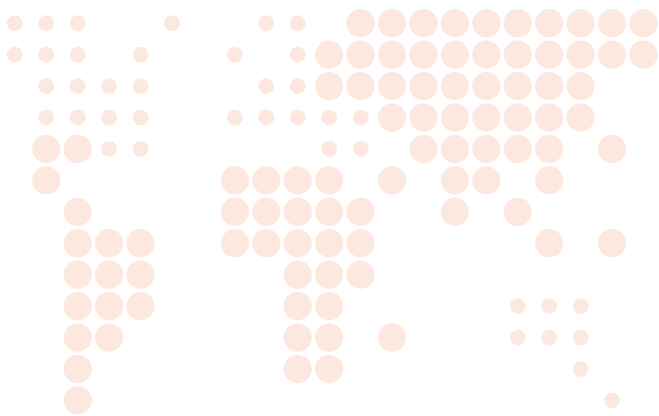
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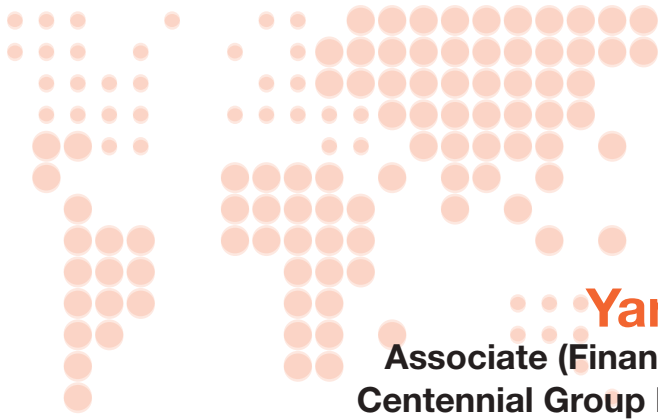
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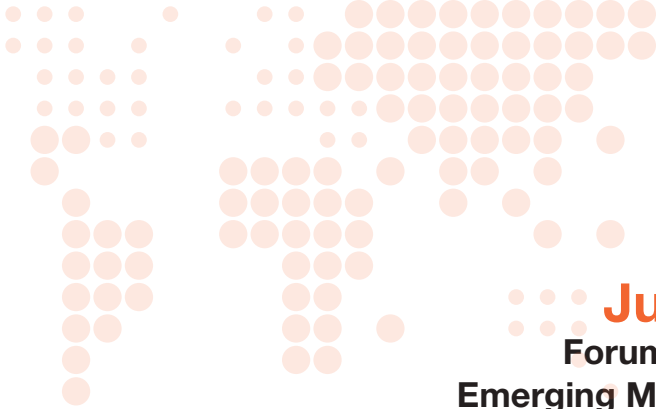
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§ Maintain & develop sponsorship portfolio: organize high-level meetings and forums: prepare yearly donor structure, manage sponsor database, travel to different countries to meet high-level government officials/central bank governors/CEOs of private sectors to plan the overall set-up of each Forum & host events

§ Manage the overall operations of Emerging Markets Institute (Forum's joint venture with Beijing Normal University)

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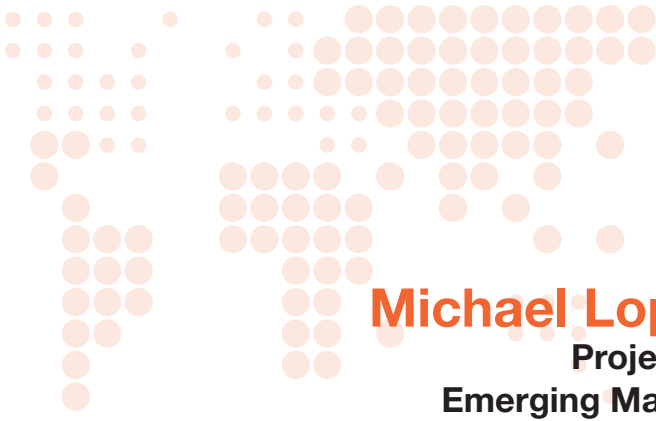
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