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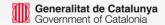
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Youssifou Aguorigoh is an expert in international trade policy and trade law, specializing in sustainable development within trade. He is an officer at the Togolese Revenue Authority (OTR) and focus his research on the implementation of RTAs and AfCFTA agreement. His research focuses on African economic integration, investment, and intra-African trade. Using empirical methods such as the gravity model, he has analyzed the untapped trade potential within ECOWAS and opportunities for export diversification. He is also exploring the intersection of trade and investment and the resilience of untapped trade potential to environmental shocks, political instability and food security. At the HAQAA conference on the AfCFTA, he examined the role of innovation and addressed the question of whether education through innovation is necessary for the effective implementation of the agreement. With expertise in fiscal and customs policies, he also studies strategies to optimize regional trade flows and improve trade facilitation mechanisms. Committed to fostering inclusive and sustainable African integration, he advocates for policies that leverage innovation and capacity building to enhance Africa's global competitiveness and economic resilience.

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Dr. Yusuf Suleiman is a distinguished academic and expert in educational management with an impressive academic background. He obtained his B.Ed and M.Ed in Educational Management from the University of Ilorin, Nigeria, before earning his PhD in Education from Universiti Utara Malaysia. Further enhancing his expertise, he secured a Master's in Policy and Strategic Studies with distinction from Kwara State University Business School. Currently, Dr. Suleiman serves as a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Educational Management and Counselling at Al-Hikmah University, Nigeria. He also holds the pivotal role of Director at the Centre for Research, Industrial Linkage, and International Cooperation within the same institution. His scholarly influence extends globally, having presented research papers at international conferences across the USA, Rwanda, South Africa, Gambia, Liberia, Ghana, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore, South Korea, and Azerbaijan. A highly decorated professional, Dr. Suleiman is a Fellow of the Institute of Policy Management and Leadership Development (FIPMLD) and the Institute of Management Consultants (FIMC), as well as a Certified Management Consultant (CMC). He is also an active member of several prestigious organizations, including the Malaysian Institute of Management (MIM), the Nigerian Institute of Management (NIM), the Nigerian Association of Educational Administration and Planning (NAEAP), and the Commonwealth Educational Administration and Management (CCEAM). Additionally, he belongs to the Global Association for Humanities and Social Science Research (GAHSSR), the Association for Development of Teaching, Education and Learning (ADTEL), and the Teachers' Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN). Beyond his academic and professional affiliations, Dr. Suleiman is the founder and CEO of Yusa'ad Educational Services Limited, reflecting his dedication to advancing education and leadership development. His outstanding contributions to education, policy, and strategic studies continue to inspire both in Nigeria and on the global stage.

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Pierre Sauvé is a Senior Trade Specialist in the Geneva office of the World Bank's Global Trade team, where he leads the Bank's work on trade governance and represents the World Bank Group in G20 trade-related work. Previously, he served as Director of Studies and faculty member at the University of Bern's World Trade Institute (WTI). His previous teaching engagements include the London School of Economics and Political Science, the Harvard Kennedy School, the College of Europe, the University of Barcelona and Sciences-Po Paris. He was previously a staff member of the Bank for International Settlements, the GATT and the OECD and a member of Canada's negotiating team under the North American Free Trade Agreement. His principal research interests lie in the areas of trade in services, the regulation of foreign direct investment, comparative regional integration and the political economy of the multilateral trading system, issues on which he has published extensively. His latest book, co-authored with Martin Roy and entitled Trade in Services for Development: Fostering sustainable growth and economic diversification, was published by the World Bank and the World Trade Organization in July 2023.

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Denis Nfor Yuni holds a BSc, Msc and PhD in Economics. He has a rich blend of research and teaching experience amounting to about 14 years cognate experience. He has presented papers in over 30 conferences and has over 50 publications to his credit. Some of his journal articles are indexed in prestigious Scopus indexing bodies such as: Energy Policy, Emerging Markets Review, International Journal of Housing Markets and Analysis, International Migration, Economics Bulletin, Environmental Hazards, etc. He has consulted for local and international organisations such as: TetFund, Civil Resource Development and Documentation Centre; Nigerian Communications Commission; African Economic Research Consortium; Climate analytics GMBH Berlin Germany; the United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA), World Bank Sub National Doing Business, UNDP, the European Union and UNIDO, etc. He is well trained and skilled in the use of SPSS, E-views, STATA, R, Gretl, and Python software for econometric analysis. He has facilitated trainings on econometrics, and development economic related research in numerous fora. He was the research pillar coordinator of the National University of Lesotho - WTO research chair. He is currently an associate Professor of Economics in the Department of Economics, University of Namibia.

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Giuseppe Renzo D'Aronco, ingénieur en informatique, possède une riche expérience dans les technologies de l'information et de la communication (TIC). Il commence sa carrière en 1984 chez Digital Equipment comme ingénieur réseau avant de devenir directeur technique chez Olivetti, où il supervise une équipe d'une trentaine de personnes. En 2001, il entame une carrière internationale sous l'égide du Ministère des Affaires Étrangères français, occupant des postes variés, notamment conseiller technique à Abidian et chef du service communication à Athènes. En 2009, il rejoint les Nations Unies comme économiste spécialisé dans les TIC pour accompagner les États d'Afrique centrale dans leurs politiques numériques. Il contribue à des initiatives majeures telles que la mise en œuvre de lois types sur la cybercriminalité et la convention africaine sur la protection des données personnelles. Passionné par l'économie numérique, il conseille plusieurs pays d'Afrique centrale sur leurs stratégies numériques pour diversifier leur économie. En 2024, il publie « L'Intelligence Artificielle en Afrique : Potentiel de Développement Économique et Défis à Relever », explorant les opportunités et défis de l'IA en Afrique. Pour lui, la transformation numérique est essentielle au développement du continent grâce à son potentiel économique et sa jeunesse adaptable.

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Apart from his undergraduate degrees in Philosophy and Theology got from University of Ibadan, Nigeria and Pontifical Urban University, Rome, Italy, respectively, Dr. Somadina Ibe-Ojiludu has an LLB in Law from City University, London. He has a Master of Laws (LLM) on Human Rights, Conflict and Justice from SOAS, University of London. His LLM dissertation, which was on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in both the Common Law System and the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights, was awarded a distinction. His PhD research was in the field of Law and Development, using the humanrights based approach to development. Dr. Somadina Ibe-Ojiludu was among the competitively-selected fellows for the 2024 Global Scholars Academy of Harvard Law School's Institute for Global Law and Policy. He is called to the Nigerian Bar and is currently affiliated with the Faculty of Law of Godfrey Okoye University, Enugu, Nigeria. His research interests include International and Municipal Protection of Human Rights, Third World Approaches to International Law, Law and Development, Conflict, Justice (including Transitional Justice), the Common Law System, among others. He has published some peer-reviewed articles in some journals some of which are indexed in reputable platforms like Scopus and Thompson-Reuters.

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