

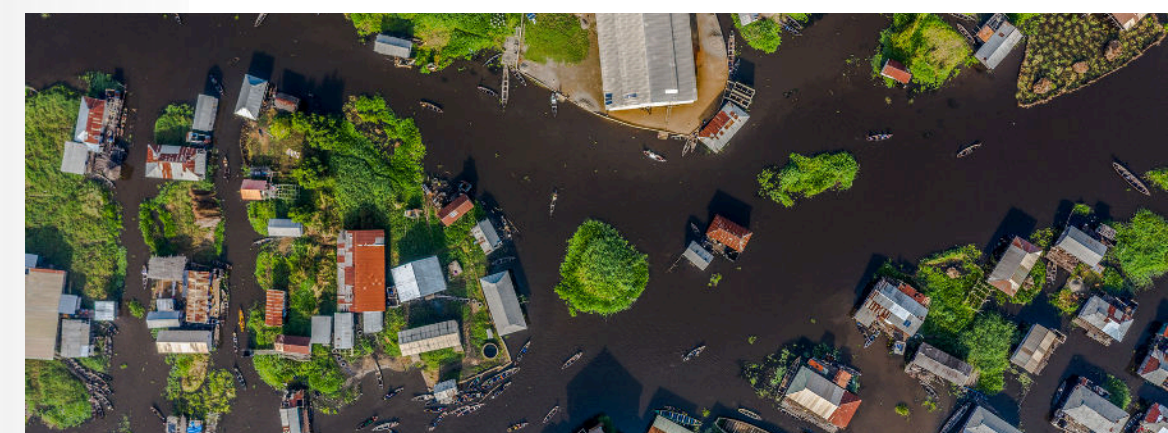
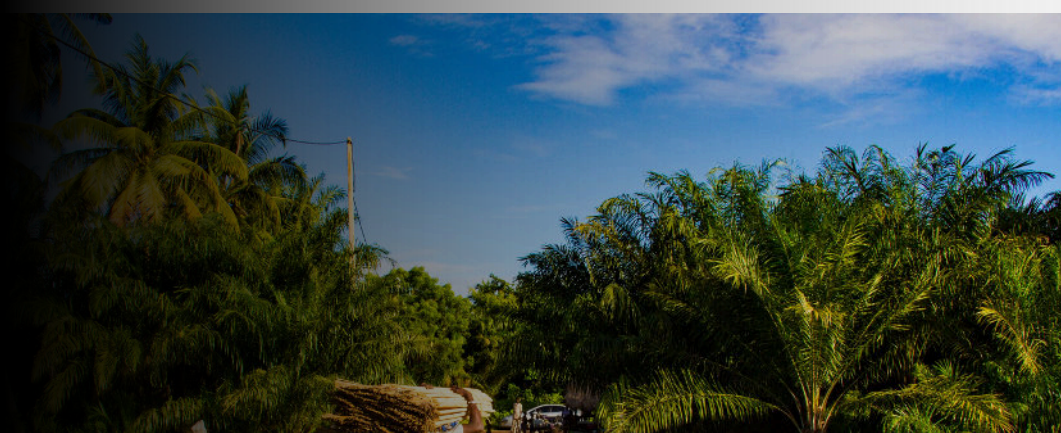
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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Senior Journalist, with nearly 24 years of career, I have capitalized on broad national, regional and international experience. Rigor, hard-work, and results are the key words that serve as benchmarks for me. Awarded-winning journalist-reporter for the Voxafrica TV-sponsored “Akon Lighting Africa” Prize in a fair and open process in Pahou, a town and arrondissement in the Atlantique Department of Southern Benin after successfully producing a 3-minute video on the United Nations at 70. Akon Lighting Africa aims at providing electricity by solar energy in Africa.

EDUCATION

MBA in Management des médias, CAFPJ (Bénin), 2017

B.A. in Journalism

- Institut des Sciences et Techniques de l'Information et de la Communication (ISTIC) formerly known as Centre de formation professionnelle de l'information (CFPI), Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, 2006

Baccalauréat, Série A1 2003 :

- Certificate in Marketing & Communication, Field : Business Communication and advertisement, 2000

SKILLS

- Newswriting
- Photojournalism
- Investigating
- Story pitching
- AP editing knowledge
- Communication
- Organization
- Time management



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EXPERIENCE

Nouvelle Aube (Yeni Safak) — Correspondent

Since June 2023

- Conduct extensive research on relevant stories and political events
- Refine storytelling techniques for well-structured, engaging articles
- Compile, analyze, and organize data for publication
- Cover high-level political meetings and produce short stories and video clips
- Edit footage and publish multimedia content for Nouvelle Aube's platforms

Associated Press (AP) — Video Correspondent

Since March 2021

- Research and develop impactful news stories and video content
- Pitch and structure articles with engaging narratives
- Produce short videos and written coverage of political events
- Edit and publish video reports for AP platforms

Key Skills:

- Newswriting, Investigating, Photojournalism, Story Pitching
- AP Editing Knowledge, Communication, Organization, Time Management

Darich Media, Cotonou-Benin — Senior Reporter Consultant

Since January 2017

- Research and write investigative articles
- Report live via social media on news and features
- Analyze competing media content to maintain superior output

Africanews (Benin) — Correspondent

Since 2016

- Write, edit, and produce 5+ stories per week for digital and online channels
- Cover emergencies and breaking news with urgency and accuracy
- Build and maintain source relationships, securing exclusives

Vox Africa TV Benin — Director's Office

2011 – 2019

- Pitched story ideas and verified content before publication
- Led promotional campaigns to enhance Vox Africa TV's visibility in Benin

Office de Radiodiffusion et Télévision du Bénin (ORTB) — Journalist-Reporter

2007 – 2012

- Wrote and coordinated news content for web and broadcast
- Delivered live field reports and conducted interviews
- Researched, developed, and presented on-site news coverage

L'Informateur Newspaper (Benin) — Journalist-Reporter

2001 – 2004

- Specialized in political and investigative reporting
- Produced audio documentaries and published 300+ articles
- Delivered exclusive coverage of government activities

EXPERIENCE

Multimedia L’@raignee, Cotonou-Benin — Journalist-Reporter

2001 – 2006

- Created articles for one of Benin’s leading newspapers
- Managed multiple deadlines and nationwide reporting assignments
- Built a wide network of journalistic contacts

L’Aurore Newspaper, Cotonou-Benin — Journalist-Reporter

2000 – 2001

- Covered fast-growing sectors in Benin, increasing readership by 20%
- Wrote 15+ monthly articles, including 5 front-page stories

Teaching Activities in Television Techniques – Cotonou, Benin

- Lecturer, Institute of Higher Learning “Les Cours Sonou” — Since Feb 2023
- Lecturer, ENSTIC, University of Abomey-Calavi — Since Feb 2019
- Lecturer, Ecole Supérieure de Journalisme – ESA — Since Sep 2018

Award-Winning Documentaries

- 2015 — UN at 70 (3-min video), Winner of “Akon Lighting Africa” Prize by Vox Africa TV
- 2011 — Accountability in Promoting Good Governance (24-min), 1st Prize (TV), National Water Partnership (NWP)
- 2010 — And Life Goes On (13-min), 3rd Prize (TV), National TB Programme
- 2009 — The Good Companions (13-min), 1st Prize (TV), UNFPA Media & Development
- 2006 — Campos, Martyr of Foot (26-min), 1st Place Nationwide, CFPI/ORTB

Selected Work:

- [UN at 70 – YouTube](#)
- [Les sentinelles de l’Afrique – YouTube](#)
- [Agroecology in Benin – YouTube](#)

Participation in Audio-Visual Productions

- 2021 — Restitution of Stolen Cultural Property, 52-min documentary, Bo Travail & Canal+ Afrique
- 2021 — Rendez-vous, culinary TV show, Bo Travail & Canal+ Afrique
- 2019 — African Foods in America, documentary, ONE STORY UP PRODUCTION (USA)
- 2018 — Agroecology in Benin, 52-min report, Upside Télévision & Canal+ Afrique
- 2018 — Les Sentinelles de l’Afrique, 52-min cultural documentary, Bo Travail & Voyage TV
- 2017 — Peuples des mers, 26-min feature on Ganvié life, Découpage & Arte