

ONE PAGE SUMMARY OF MY CV

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Yaovi Atohoun has more than 20 years work experience in Information and Communication Technology (ICT). He is able to coordinative IT teams and projects as well as to administer servers and computers network systems. Yaovi Atohoun is fluent in French and English.

He is currently working as an independent IT consultant. Prior to that role he was the senior IT Officer for the Association of African Universities (AAU) in Accra (Ghana) from January 2008 to April 2012. He was in charge of overall ICT (Information and Communication Technology) infrastructure. He was providing IT technical advices to the various projects officers at AAU.

Yaovi Atohoun is an electrical engineer with a long working experience in ICT. He has attended many training programs on Telecommunication and Internet infrastructures. His professional career started in Lome (Togo) by setting up and managing a computer local area network in the National News Agency from 1991 to 1992. From 1992 to 1997, he traveled to more than 12 countries in West Africa for the West African News Agency Development project (WANAD/UNESCO) to computerize the National News Agencies. During the same period he conducted many training sessions on how to use computer, communication devices and the Internet in Benin Republic and other African countries.

Yaovi Atohoun was the USAID/Leland Initiative (an Internet Development in Africa Project) Coordinator in Benin from 1997 to 2004. He traveled to Chad, Rwanda and many West African countries to conduct training sessions, technical equipment installation and policy discussions related to Information Technology for the Leland Initiative. He has assisted in setting up the West African Telecommunication Regulators Association (www.watra.org). In May 2004, he was in the Mano River Union countries for an assessment on ICT development among the NGOs working on conflict prevention and mitigation. As a consultant, he has also worked for many other projects involving the use of ICT.

He was in the meeting for the creation of AfriNIC in 1998 in Cotonou (Benin). He has attended many AfriNIC meetings in Africa. He was the chair of the AfriNIC Nomination committee in 2005 and 2007. He is member of the AfriNIC bylaws review team. He has also attended many AFNOG events.

Yaovi Atohoun is a founding member of ISOC-Benin in 1999. He participated in the Internet Society annual events (INET) in Geneva (1998), San Jose (1999), Yokohama (2000) and Sweden (2001). In 2002 he attended an ISOC-Francophonie meeting in Canada. He took part in the ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers) meetings in Lisbon (2007), Mexico City (2009), Seoul (2009), Brussels (2010), Cartagena (2010), San Francisco (2011), Singapore (2011), Dakar (2011), Costa Rica (2012), Prague (2012) and Toronto (2012). He attended the IGF in Rio de Janeiro (November 2007) and in Baku, Azerbaidjan) in November 2012.

Yaovi Atohoun was a member of ICANN Nomination Committee in 2010 and 2011. He is currently member of the ICANN Atlarge (ALAC) Advisory Committee.

Yaovi Atohoun has been a choirmaster and brass band teacher for many years.

CURRICUMUM VITAE

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EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATION

1985-1990 Engineering (Ingénieur genie électrique)- Specializing in computer science, electronics, Telecommunication; obtained from "Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Ingénieurs " (ENSI), Lome, Togo
 1983-1985 Mathematics at the Faculty of Science, Université du Benin, DEUG1 in Mathematics, Lome, Togo
 1975- 1983 Secondary School, Lome. Bac, C

TRAINING COURSES AND CERTIFICATES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Course, Institution, Venue</i>
May 2010	Scalable Network Infrastructures; by AFNOG in Kigali (Rwanda)
February 2010	Oracle Database Administration, Cape Town, South Africa
Sept 2009	Cyber security training, Tunis, Tunisia organized by UNCTAD
May 2009	Scalable Internet Service (DNS, WEB, MAIL, ...), AFNOG, Cairo- Egypt
November 2008	Linux Redhat advanced course, 2Ko International, Cap Town, South, Africa
May 2008	Unix System Administration, AFNOG, Rabat , Morocco

October 2007	Implementation of the Internet Protocol IPv6, ISOC, AfriNIC, Benin
October 2007	Incubation Manager Training, InfoDEv Mauritius
Sept 2006	Satellites: Communication; Technology; Projects Regulation policy; United States of America
October 2006	Key trends in the Evolution of the public Network ; United States of America
January 2005	Wireless communication, Wi-Fi by APC in Dakar, Senegal
September 2004	Wireless Communication by CTIA, QUALCOMM, CINGULAR, TELEMOBILE and USTTI in the US (United States Telecommunication Training Institute)
July 2003	Telecommunication competition policy (organized in Accra, Ghana by the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organization)
July 2000	Managing IP Networks (organized by in Yokohama, Japan by the Internet Society)
1999	Managing an Internet gateway (DNS, Web and Mail servers,) (Organized in Cotonou, Benin by Morocco Trade and Development Services)
July 1998	Managing an Enterprise IP network, Internet Society (Geneva)

KNOWLEDGE OF MAJOR COMPUTER OPERATING SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARES

Windows, Mac OS, Linux, Novell Netware, OS/2, VMS

Programming and Development language: PHP, HTML, Postnuke, Cold Fusion,

CMS and LMS: Postnuke, Drupal, Moodle

Database: MySQL, SQL Server, Oracle

Linux Administration: Apache, Exim, DNS, Squirrelmail, Mailman

Other: MS Office; Open office, Web browsers, e-mail softwares

KEY COMPETENCES

- Experience in planning and facilitating meetings, conferences, round-tables
- Ability to work effectively with diverse groups of people, including national and local government officials, computer technologists, civil society organizations, international donors and contractors.
- Ability to develop and manage ICT strategy and projects
- Ability to manage technical IT team in an organization
- Ability to work with any software based on the systems listed in the previous paragraph
- Ability to design and implement computer networks
- Ability to design and implement wireless and other telecommunication network
- Ability to train people on the effective use of the Internet to improve communication and services
- Early user of personal computers and the Internet in West Africa with more than 20 years of experience teaching people to use information and communication technology

LANGUAGES PROFICIENCY

	Reading	Speaking	Understanding
French	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
English	Good	Good	Good
EWE	Good	Good	Good
Mina	Good	Good	Good

DETAILED WORK EXPERIENCE

May 2012 to Present	<i>Independent IT Consultant</i>
February 2008 to April 2012	<p><i>Senior IT Officer, Association of African Universities (AAU), Accra - Ghana</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall supervision of the IT infrastructure of AAU • Servers and Network administration • Website server maintenance • Supervision of the IT Team • Contact with the suppliers

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Support to project officers in IT related matters</i>
September 2004 to January 2008	<p><i>Independent ICT Consultant</i></p> <p><i>Some Keys activities:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT assessment in Guinea, Liberia for Computer-Frontiers Inc • Technical assistance to NGOs in these countries; Selection of ISP to provide Internet connection to the NGOs • Assistance in setting up a call center in Lome (Togo) for Computer-Frontiers Inc • Instructor during workshops on Internet Exchange Point and ISP association creation in Togo, Ivory Coast and Cameroon for AFRISPA
July 2005 to June 2006	<p><i>Consultant for IFDC/MISTOWA</i> project funded by USAID</p> <p>MISTOWA Market information System and Traders' Organization in West Africa. Training for Traders and farmers on the use of a web platform.</p>
July 1997 to September 2004	<p><i>Leland Initiative coordinator and International Consultancy</i></p> <p>International consultancy for USAID (www.usaid.gov) funded projects with RTI (www.rti.org) International, AED (now FHI360) and CFI Inc. (www.computer-frontiers.com)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leland Initiative (Internet project in 20 African countries) country coordinator in Benin with RTI; 1997-2001 - Leland Initiative coordinator in Benin with CFI, Inc, 2002 to 2004. <p>As the LELAND coordinator, I was liaising with USAID and the Official from Benin. I have organized the arrival of the Internet gateway equipment in the country and also for the technical staff for the installations. My activities have included the selection of some private companies as Internet Providers. I have worked also on the negotiations with the Telecommunication company (OPT) to reduce prices for the Internet services. In the second phase of the project, I have worked with the Ministry in charge of Telecommunication toward the creation of a Telecommunication Regulation Authority. I further have conducted many Internet installations and training for end users. I have worked also with EDDI/ADEA connectivity project with the Ministry of Education</p> <p>I have been working as an advisor for the USAID Benin Mission on other projects involving the use of Information and Communication Technology.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Web based Decentralization Dialogue regional coordinator; RTI; July 1997- Nov 2001. My responsibilities includes the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the new participants to the web platform.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the web platform • Ensure that the participants understand the various sections of the platform. • Ensure that they receive in their mailbox messages sent to the participant's list • Give appropriate answer to technical questions raised by the dialogue members <p>- Technical assistance to the Execnet project (a network of people in the executive offices in some African countries)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Train the participants during the launching workshop</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Assist the web platform developer</p> <p>- Technical assistance to the AJN project (African Judiciary Network)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the participants to the various sections of the web platform • Assist the platform developer <p>- Technical assistance to the Central Region Network project in Ghana. This project has installed LAN and WAN linking the Central Region Districts in Ghana to allow data sharing, file exchange, web publication</p> <p>- Assistance in forming an Association of West African telecommunications regulator (WATRA);</p> <p>I was involved in the process of having member countries comment and adopt the status of the West African Telecommunication Regulators Association (WATRA). I organized a study tour for the West African Telecommunication Regulators to Morocco in 2002. The objective was to share experience and to learn about the best regulatory practices and also the experience of Telecommunication companies in that Country.</p> <p>- ICT assessment for NGOs working on Conflict Prevention and Mitigation in the Mano River Union countries (Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia, May 2004)</p> <p>- Responsible for the Computerization Component of an USAID Mali support project to the Association of Municipalities of Mali (Sept 2002-June 2003)</p> <p>- Technical assistance to the RTI Decentralization support program in Benin (July 2002-Jan 2003)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arranging office leasing for the staff
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wire cabling of Ethernet LAN • Internet connection installation • Financial account managing and monthly expenses report <p>Instructor in many workshops for Internet Users (Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Rwanda); for Academy for Educational Development (AED)</p>
July 1995 to July 1997	<p><i>Computer scientist at WANAD Center</i>, the successor institution of the UNESCO/WANAD project.</p> <p>The project, financed by the Federal Republic of Germany was Managed by UNESCO, lasted from 1984 to 1995. It's aim was to promote the development of news agencies in West Africa by providing training to technical staff, and editorial techniques for journalists in the agencies. In its last phase the project concentrated on the provision of viable computer and communication equipment to the agencies. Moreover, the project provided computer training for staff of the agencies.</p> <p>Duties:</p> <p>Management of the computer system in countries using the Eland software installed in more than ten (10) West African countries.</p> <p>Installation and maintenance of computer equipment in member institutions and agencies of WANAD Centre (WANAD consist of 15 west African national news agencies, private news media organizations and newspapers)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assisting in the research, installation of a server at WANAD Centre for connection to the Global Internet before the National Internet Gateway. • Training for the staff of member agencies and institutions of WANAD Centre on the use of assorted software and the Internet. <p>Maintenance of computer equipment at the headquarters of WANAD Centre</p>
Dec 1992 to June 1995	<p><i>Consultant (computer scientist) at UNESCO/WANAD Project (West African News Agencies Development Project)</i> based in Cotonou, Benin and covering 15 West African countries.</p> <p>Duties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management of the Computer systems using Eland software. This software runs on Netware Novell for Network option and OS/2 for the standalone system. It was installed in more than ten (10) West African countries. • Design suitable computer and telecommunication network for the news agencies and order the appropriate equipments. These networks include the

	<p>local area network at the headquarters, the remotes offices in the country regions and also the clients' offices who are connected to the central office by lease line or modems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistance in the installation and maintenance of Computer equipment for member-agencies and institutions of the WANAD project which resulted in several missions within West Africa. <p>List of missions to West African News Agencies with a minimum period of 15 days per mission:</p> <p>Feb – March 1995: Gambia; May – June 1994:Niger ; Jan 1995: Niger ;Jan – Feb 1995: Guinea Bissau; September 1995: Guinea; Feb – March 1994: Guinea; December 1994: Guinea; November 1994: Cape Verde ; October 1994: Mauritania; September 1994: Senegal, Sierra Leone January 1994: Mali; July 1993: Burkina Faso, Nov – Dec 1993: Burkina Faso; August 1992: Niger</p> <p>Main Duties during Missions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception of equipment for setting up computer systems • Electrical cabling, installation of UPS and other equipment • Installation of Local area network • Installation of Word processing and Eland software • Training of journalists on the use of PCs and OS, Eland software, word processing • Training of technicians on the management of the LAN installation, OS/2 installation. Simulation of breakdowns and repair
<p>Jan 1991 to Dec 1992</p>	<p>Manager of the Computer system at the News Agency of Togo (ATOP)</p> <p>The computer system at the News Agency of Togo consists of twelve (12) Personal computers installed in a Novell network. WordPerfect, Xywrite and Symphony software were on this network. Software (Eland) dedicated to news agencies was also installed for data reception into the network from telegraphic lines, satellite dishes or modem. It also permits the processing of data and has a data base option. This network contains a file server, communication server and a database server.</p> <p>Duties at ATOP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance and supervision of the computer network • Training of staff on the use of personal computers

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of the technical staff in maintenance |
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ATTENDANCE OF MAIN INTERNATIONAL IT RELATED CONFERENCES

November 2012:	Internet Governance Forum (IGF) BAKU, Azerbaidjan
October 2012:	ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers) meeting in Toronto
June 2012:	ICANN meeting in Prague, Czech Republic
March 2012:	ICANN meeting in San Jose, Costa Rica
October 2011:	ICANN meeting in Dakar Senegal
June 2011:	ICANN meeting in Singapore
March 2011:	ICANN meeting in San Francisco, CA, USA
Dec 2010:	ICANN meeting in Cartagena de Indias, Columbia
June 2010:	ICANN meeting in Brussels (Belgium) as NOMCOM member
October 2009:	ICANN meeting in Seoul (South Korea)
June 2008:	ICANN meeting in Mexico
November 2007:	Internet Governance Forum in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
March 2007:	ICANN meeting in Lisbon (Portugal)
Dec 2003	World Summit on the Information Society in Geneva
June 2001	ISOC (Internet Society) - INET conference in Sweden: speaker during the Developing Countries Networking Symposium
June 2000	ISOC-INET Conference in Yokohama (Japan)
1999	ISOC-INET meeting in San Jose (California, USA)

SHORT LIST OF TRIPS FOR THE LELAND INITIATIVE AND OTHER PROJECTS

March 2006	ICT assessment in Liberia
May- June 2004	Sierra Leone, Liberia, Guinea, Ghana
June 2003	Johannesburg, South Africa; Assistance in a conference as instructor and co-webmaster

July 2003	Maputo Mozambique; assistance in the Execnet (Network of people from countries executive bodies) conference; instructor and co-webmaster
Nov 2003	Bamako, Mali; ICT strategy Workshop for USAID/LELAND Mali to computerize the Regional office of Malian Municipalities association
Feb – Sep 2001	Missions to Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Mali, Senegal, Burkina Faso, Guinea to introduce people to the Internet and participation in the Dialogue on Democratic Decentralization sponsored by the U.S. EDDI (Education for Democracy and Development Initiative)
May-June 2001	Setup and management of Internet Café for Partners Conference of the U.S. Education for Development and Democracy Initiative (EDDI) in Benin
May 2000	Participation in project planning for the Dialogue for Democratic Decentralization, RTI/North Carolina and Washington, DC
Nov 1999	User training sessions in Rwanda (Kigali and Butare)
August 1999	Mali, Guinea and Ghana: regional trips under my activities of the Leland funded project called Regional Dialogue on Decentralization
June 1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arlington, Virginia: Participation in the AFCOM'99 • Conference Washington DC: Participation in the Leland Coordinator's conference • North Carolina (Research Triangle Institute): Course on Cold Fusion • San Jose: Participation in the Internet Society Annual Conference
April 1999	Chad (N'djamena). Computer systems installation for Internet Access in some education centers. User's training
September 1999	Training of 100 persons on the use of Internet at Winrock Center in Abidjan.
March – April 1998	Ivory Coast, Guinea, and Mali: Computers, UPS, modem installation. Client software installation and configuration for Internet access; User's training
October 1997	Ivory Coast: Training of 40 people on the use of Internet

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OTHER

- Current member of the ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers) At-Large Advisory Committee
- Member of the 2010-2011 Nominating Committee of ICANN
- Board member of the Benin Republic chapter of the Internet Society (ISOC-BENIN)

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