



## Curriculum Vitae Personal information

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**Hernaude Vinougnon Kpèssou Agossou**  
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## Occupational fields

**Date**  
Occupation  
  
Name and address of institution  
  
Type of sector  
  
**Date**  
Positions held  
  
Main activities and responsibilities  
  
Name and address of employer  
  
Type of sector

## Water resources management

**August 2013 →**

### PhD Student

Thesis title: "*Improvement of irrigation water productivity in rural and peri-urban West-Africa: testing and optimization of an innovative bamboo-drip system for vegetable crops*".

Department of Ecology and Natural Resources Management  
Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn.  
Walter-Flex-Str.3, D 53113 Bonn, Germany.  
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Development research.

**August 2012, July 2013**

**Specialized technician in plants cropping,**

**Focal point of cotton marketing,**

**Acting responsible for agriculture promotion.**

- Theoretical and practical training of extension agents in plant cropping;
- Monitoring, support and advice in relation to the conduct of demonstration units and visits of experience exchange;
- Monitoring of large farms throughout diagnostic and advisory support;
- Coordination of cotton marketing activities;
- Coordination of agriculture promotion.

Regional Agricultural Center for Rural Development of Ouémé and Plateau Departments; Ministry of Agriculture, Breeding and Fishing, Benin.  
01 P.O. Box 81, Porto-Novo, Benin; Tel.: +229 20246652 / 20246899; Fax: +229 20246245; E-mail: Cerpaou@yahoo.fr.

Benin public Institution.

**October 22 - 26, 2012**

### Participation in 2012 International Science Days of Lomé

- Oral presentation: *Agossou H. V. K. et Akponikpè P. B. I. (2012) Integrated water and nutrients management using SAWAH rice cropping system in the inland-valley of Bamey, Zagnanado District in Benin. Journées Scientifiques Internationales de Lomé XV<sup>ème</sup> EDITION (JSIL 2012), 22-26 Oct. 2012; Lomé, Togo;*
- Participation in a plenary conference on the theme "*Seeking solutions to the impacts of environment and natural resources waste*";
- Participation in a round table on the theme "*Engaging national research systems in reducing the impacts of climate change in Africa: Experience of some*

Name and address of institution	<i>African countries".</i> University of Lomé. P.O. Box: 1515, Lomé, Togo; Tel.: +228 22254076; Fax: +228 22218595; E-mail: dr_ul@yahoo.fr
Type of sector	Scientific research.
<b>Date</b>	<b>May 2012 - July 2012</b>
Position held	<b>Cartographer</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Mapping in support of the General Population and Housing Census of Benin, 4 <sup>th</sup> Edition.
Name and address of employer	National Institute of Statistics and Economic Analysis; Ministry of Development, Economic Analysis and Forecasting. 01 P.O. Box 323, Cotonou, Benin; Tel.: +229 21308244 / 21308245; E-mail: insae@insae-bj.org; Website: www.insae-bj.org.
Type of sector	Benin public Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>July 2011 - April 2012</b>
Position held	<b>Technical assistant, irrigation and rural engineering</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identification, characterization and mapping of inland-valleys, small irrigation areas and anti-erosion sites;</li> <li>- Enhancement of ecosystems intensification and diversification of agricultural production to increase farmers' income;</li> <li>- Design of irrigation systems (drip, sprinkler and gravity);</li> <li>- Development of management plans for inland-valleys and irrigated areas.</li> </ul>
Name and address of employer	Inland-valleys Management Office, Irrigation and Rural Engineering Direction, Ministry of Agriculture, Breeding and Fishing, Benin. P.O. Box: 268, Porto-Novo; Tel.: +229 20211405.
Type of sector	Benin public Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>November 19, 2011</b>
Occupation	<b>Participation in the training of smallholder vegetable producers on drip irrigation, District of Kpomassè.</b>
Main activity	Design and maintenance of drip systems.
Name and address of employer	Inland-valleys Management Office, Irrigation and Rural Engineering Direction, Ministry of Agriculture, Breeding and Fishing, Benin. P.O. Box: 268 Porto-Novo; Tel.: +229 20211405.
Type of sector	Benin public Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>November - December 2011</b>
Occupation	<b>Independent consultant</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Design of a drip system for 3000 m<sup>2</sup> tomato production in Abomey-Calavi District;</li> <li>- System installation and farmers formation on maintenance operations.</li> </ul>
Name and address of employer	OVER-GREEN NGO. Tel.: +229 96345566
Type of sector	Non Governmental Organization.
<b>Date</b>	<b>August 2010 - January 2011</b>
Position held	<b>Trainee</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Responsible for the management of the inland-valley of Bamey for rice cultivation;</li> <li>- Test of Sawah rice cropping system regarding water and fertilizer management.</li> </ul>
Name and address of employer	Africa Rice Center (AfricaRice). 01 P.O. Box 2031, Cotonou, Bénin. Tel.: +229 64181313 / 64181414 / 64181515 / 64181616 / 21350188;

Type of sector	Fax +229 64227809 / 21350556 International Research-Development Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>May - June 2009</b>
Position held	<b>Trainee</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	- Rural activities on hygiene and sanitation; - Awareness of populations on hand pumps maintenance.
Name and address of employer	Departmental Direction of Mines, Energy and Water, Ouémé-Plateau, Benin. Jean Paul II Avenue 04 P.O. Box 1412, Cotonou, Republic of Benin. Tel.: +229 21312907 / 21312924 / 21312938
Type of sector	Benin public Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>August - September 2008</b>
Position held	<b>Worker</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	- Head of stand (RAL 2008); - Manager of stocks and human resources; - Conduct of marketing and business actions.
Name and address of employer	DAPHI-Distribution Company, Benin. P.O. Box 919 Cotonou-Littoral. Tel.: +229 21324108
Type of sector	Private company.
<b>Education and training</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>June 26 – 30, 2015</b>
Training	<b>Leadership development</b>
Areas covered	Leadership and Organizational Development, Motivation and team building, Change Management, Communication and Conflict Management, You as a leader.
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	ZEF Bonn (University of Bonn) and Food Security Center (University of Hohenheim). International Research-Development Institutions.
<b>Date</b>	<b>January – November, 2015</b>
Training	<b>Global Postharvest E-learning program</b>
Areas covered	Postharvest loss assessments, quality evaluation, Commodity systems assessment, small-scale postharvest handling practices, cost/benefit analysis.
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	The Postharvest Education Foundation PO Box 38, La Pine, Oregon 97739 USA Website homepage: <a href="http://www.postharvest.org">www.postharvest.org</a>
<b>Date</b>	<b>Winter term 2013 / 2014</b>
Disciplinary Course	<b>Ecology and Natural Resources Management</b>
Overall grade	80.8% (15 credits in ECTS)
Areas covered	Fundamentals in ecology; Social-ecological systems; Biodiversity; Biological invasions; Agroforestry; Ecosystem services; Ecological restoration; Global climate change; Renewable energy; Hydrology; Introduction to geo-statistics; Methods in land evaluation; Bioenergy; Land use and geo-resource soils; Remote sensing; Exercises in geographic information systems and modelling; Statistics.
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn. Walter-Flex-Str.3, D 53113 Bonn, Germany. <a href="http://www.zef.de">www.zef.de</a> International Research-Development Institution.

<p><b>Date</b></p> <p>Interdisciplinary Course Interdisciplinary term paper</p> <p>Overall grades</p> <p>Name and type of organisation providing education and training</p>	<p><b>Winter term 2013 / 2014</b></p> <p><b>Concepts and Theories of Development</b></p> <p>Can agricultural yield growth keep track with the worldwide population growth? – A global assessment of supply and demand side drivers affecting food security including a case study for wheat yields in India. Respectively 63% and 86% (15 credits in ECTS).</p> <p>Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn. Walter-Flex-Str.3, D 53113 Bonn, Germany. www.zef.de International Research-Development Institution.</p>
<p><b>Date</b></p> <p>Workshop</p> <p>Areas covered</p> <p>Name and type of organisations providing education and training</p>	<p><b>April 8 – 11, 2014</b></p> <p><b>Ethics and Food Security and Development Research and Action</b></p> <p>Ethics; Ethics in science; Research and ethics methods; Introduction to ZEF ethical clearance form for field research; Right to adequate food and nutrition; Ethics and gender relations; “The Ethical Matrix” – a tool for ethical deliberation; Excursion to ethical cases; memorial and education sites (prosecution of the Jewish minority during the National Socialism in Mainz). ZEF Bonn (University of Bonn) and Food Security Center (University of Hohenheim). International Research-Development Institutions.</p>
<p><b>Date</b></p> <p>Workshop</p> <p>Areas covered</p> <p>Name and type of organisations providing education and training</p>	<p><b>March 3 - 8, 2014</b></p> <p><b>Working Within Political Contexts</b></p> <p>Understanding how politics work; Working with political, public and civil-society stakeholders; Strategies and tools for political communication, cooperation and participation; Political implications of own work; Pitching my research to relevant stakeholders; Discussions with directors, referees and lobbyists at German Parliament, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the political foundation KAS, Lufthansa AG and a communication agency. ZEF Bonn (University of Bonn) and Food Security Center (University of Hohenheim). International Research-Development Institutions.</p>
<p><b>Date</b></p> <p>Workshop</p> <p>Areas covered</p> <p>Worth of workshop</p> <p>Name and type of organisations providing education and training</p>	<p><b>December 6 – 8, 2013</b></p> <p><b>Learning Intercultural Competence</b></p> <p>Personal intercultural experiences and conflicts while living in Germany as a Doctoral student from abroad; Stages of intercultural learning processes; Concept of culture as basis of intercultural communication; Conflicts in intercultural contexts. 0.8 credit (ECTS).</p> <p>Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn. Walter-Flex-Str.3, D 53113 Bonn, Germany. www.zef.de International Research-Development Institution.</p>
<p><b>Date</b></p> <p>Title of qualification awarded</p> <p>Overall grade</p> <p>Name and type of organisations providing education and training</p>	<p><b>October 4, 2013</b></p> <p><b>Completion of A1.2 German level</b></p> <p>1 (very good)</p> <p>University of Bonn, D-53012 Bonn; Tel.: +49-(0)228-73-0. Higher education Institution.</p>
<p><b>Date</b></p> <p>Title of qualification awarded</p>	<p><b>August 30, 2013</b></p> <p><b>Completion of A1.1 German level</b></p>

Overall grade	A+ (very good)
Name and type of organisations providing education and training	University of Bonn, D-53012 Bonn; Tel.: +49-(0)228-73-0. Higher education Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>July 25, 2013</b>
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Completion of online A1.1 German Course</b>
Name and type of organisations providing education and training	Deutsch-Uni-Online (DUO). Online German learning Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>March 8, 2013</b>
Title of qualification awarded	<b>TOEFL-IBT</b>
Score	81 (Reading 23; Listening 16; Speaking 20; Writing 22).
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Educational Testing Service (ETS). International Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>2009 - 2010</b>
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Degree of Agronomist Engineer</b> (with honours), Option "Natural Resources Management". Thesis title: " <i>Integrated water and nutrients management using Sawah rice cropping system in the inland-valley of Bamey, Zagnanado District</i> ", research done with the Africa Rice Center (AfricaRice).
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Faculty of Agronomy, University of Parakou. Benin higher education Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>2005 - 2009</b>
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Degree of General Agronomy</b>
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Faculty of Agronomy, University of Parakou. Benin higher education Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>2005</b>
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Baccalaureate D</b> (with honors)
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. Benin higher education Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>2004</b>
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Baccalaureate C</b> (Mention Fair).
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. Benin higher education Institution.
<b>Date</b>	<b>2001</b>
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Middle School completion Certificate</b> , Modern Short Option.
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Ministry of National Education and Scientific Research. Benin education Institution.
<b>Scientific article</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Agossou H. V. K. et Akponikpè P. B. I. (2012); Integrated water and nutrients management using SAWAH rice cropping system in the inland-valley of Bamey, Zagnanado District in Benin. Journées Scientifiques Internationales de Lomé XVème EDITION (JSIL 2012), 22-26 Oct. 2012; Lomé, Togo.
<b>Personal skills and competences</b>	

Mother tongue French  
 Other languages English ; German  
 Self-assessment

Understanding		Speaking		Writing
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
C2; B1	C2; B1	C2; B1	C2; B1	C2; B1

European level (\*)

(\*) Common European Framework of Reference (CEF) level

Social skills and competences Team work: I have worked in various types of teams from research to religion. For four years, I have coached the Sahaja Yoga team of Parakou University.

Computer skills and competences Competent with most Microsoft Office programmes (Word, Excel, Power Point, Access), statistical analysis softwares (STATA 13., R, SPSS, Minitab), ArcGIS, HYDRUS 2.04.0580, SPAW, AQUACROP.

Artistic skills and competences Creative, competent in design and optimization.

Additional information PERSONAL INTERESTS.  
 Creating pieces of Art and visiting Modern Art galleries. Enjoy Sahaj meditation and all sports, particularly swimming. Love to travel and experience different cultures.

I certify accurate the information mentioned above.

**Hernaude V. K. Agossou**