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# BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

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JUDGE AFANDE

## Judge Koffi Kumelio A. AFANDE

*(Member of the Tribunal since 18 November 2013)*

Togolese Republic

**Born:** 7 December 1962 in Lome, Togo

**Education:**

1996 PhD in Criminal Law and Criminal Sciences  
Université des Sciences Sociales, France

2010 Master 2 Degree in International and European Law on Fundamental Rights  
Université de Nantes, France

**Professional and Academic Experience:**

- 1992 - 1996 Individual Researcher then Legal Adviser at the Sub-Saharan African Criminal Law Department at the Max-Planck-Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Germany
- 1996 - 2000 Head of Sub-Saharan African Criminal Law Department at the Max-Planck-Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Germany
- 1997 PhD thesis published in the field of juvenile delinquency
- 2000 - 2004 Trial level Legal Officer in the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR) in Arusha/Tanzania
- 2004 - 2012 Appeals level Legal Officer in the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR) in The Netherlands
- 2012 - 2013 Minister Counsellor, Senior Legal Advisor, Chief of the Legal Advisory Unit and Deputy Political Coordinator at the Permanent Mission of Togo to the United Nations, especially in the Team sitting in the Security Council of the United Nations  
In charge of the issues before the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 6th Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations  
Dealt with issues before the 6th Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations  
Facilitated the adoption of the resolution on Universal Jurisdiction by the 68th General Assembly
- Present Guest Lecturer at various Universities and Research Centres  
Concluded several research works and publications, mainly dealing with comparative/international law as well as in legal and normative pluralism  
Deals with topics, such as juvenile delinquency, penal punishments, States crimes and good governance, international criminal investigations, absolute prohibition of torture, international criminal justice

**Awards, Honorific Appointments and Professional Memberships:**

- 1998 - 2003 Awarded the five-year Denis Carroll Award of the “Société Internationale de Criminologie” for having challenged and shook up conventional thinking with his PhD thesis published in 1997  
Awarded the Honourable mention of the two-year “Médaille Fernand Boulan” from the “Association des Criminologues de Langue Française” for the same 1997 PhD thesis

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Judge Afande is fluent in English, French, German and few West-African languages.

Judge Afande's expertise is internationally recognized in the fields of Rule of Law and Law Reforms encompassing among others International Human Rights Law, International Humanitarian Law, Public International Law, International Criminal Justice, Criminology, Sociology and Anthropology.