

## **Abdel Haqq IBOURAIMA SAFIRI**

**Project Manager – Specialist in Rural Socioeconomics & Value Chains**

**Organizational Development Specialist**

**Senior Finance Manager – Specialist in EU, BMGF and SECO Co-Financing**

**Polyglot (French, English, German, Arabic, African local languages)**

**Professional Experience: 12 years in Development Cooperation**



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### **Professional Experience**

**GIZ, MOVE – ProCVA, Kofi Burkina Faso**

**08/2025 – Present**

**Project Manager** (Promotion of Value Chains – Rice and Maize)

- Responsible for the project and GIZ commitments towards donors.
- Accountable for the achievement of project indicators.
- Ensures effective and efficient management of resources.
- Oversees all tasks related to the role of AV.

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### **GIZ Ghana, ECOWAS & OACPS Countries**

**02/2023 – 07/2025 (2 years 5 months)**

**Senior Finance Manager – Head of Finance MOVE**

- Financial and administrative management of a portfolio of **€71.3M** (EU, BMGF, SECO).
- Supervised 14 national staff in Ghana and coordinated **60+ team members** (including 2 IMAs and 2 AMAs).
- Developed and monitored annual budgets, expenditure tracking and compliance with GIZ/EU procedures.
- Provided coaching and support to KOMP projects across ECOWAS and OACPS countries.
- Organized and oversaw audits and internal controls.

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### **GIZ Benin – Burkina Faso – Niger**

**01/2017 – 01/2023 (72 months)**

**Senior Finance Manager – Finance & Administration Coordinator**

**Project RBT-WAP | GIC-WAP (€32M)**

- Responsible for regional financial and administrative management.
- Prepared annual financial reports for the EU (PAGODA 2) and BMZ.
- Ensured compliance with GIZ and EU administrative and financial procedures.
- Organized and supported audit and internal control missions.

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### **GIZ Benin**

**01/2016 – 12/2016 (12 months)**

**Finance Manager – ProAgri-Pendjari Project**

- Supervised project administration and financial management.
- Ensured quality control of supporting documents and financial statements.

- Strengthened the capacity of the Admin-Finance team.
- Organized and monitored internal control missions.

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**Ministry of Agriculture – Benin**
**02/2015 – 07/2015 (5 months)**
**Deputy Director General – Agency for Agricultural Diversification**

- Oversaw agricultural diversification policies and strategies.
- Coordinated agency staff and monitored processes.
- Organized and participated in national meetings on diversification.
- Ensured technical and financial reporting to the Ministry of Agriculture.

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**GIZ Niger, Burkina Faso, Benin**
**2020 – 2022**

- Conducted several **internal control missions** within GIZ projects.

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**Education and Training**

- **Since 2024:** PhD in Rural Socio-Economics – University of Abomey-Calavi (Benin). Thesis: *Mobilizing Private Investment for Sustainable, Inclusive and Competitive Rice Value Chains in West Africa (ECOWAS)*.
- **2016:** Diploma of Advanced Studies (DEA) in Rural Economics and Sociology – UAC Benin.
- **2014:** Advanced Diploma in Accounting and Finance (DSCG) – INTEC Paris (France).
- **2012–2013:**
  - Master in Accounting, Control and Auditing – ISCAE Niamey (Niger).
  - Master in Financial and Accounting Management – ENCG Settat (Morocco).
- **2016 – 2020:** Professional training at GIZ: SAP Level 2, Prosoft, Winpaccs, digitalization, contract management, audits and internal controls, EU/AfDB co-financing management, etc.

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**Language Skills**

Language	Speaking	Writing	Reading	Comprehension
French	C2 (Excellent)	C2 (Excellent)	C2 (Excellent)	C2 (Excellent)
English	C1 (Very Good)	B2–C1	C1	C1
German	B2 (Good)	B2	B2+ (Very Good)	B2
Arabic	B1 (Intermediate)	B1	B1	B1
Dendi (Native)	C2	B1	B2	C2