CODESRIA NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2023-2026

Lyn Ossome is Associate Professor and Director of Makerere Institute of Social Research (MISR), Makerere University, and has also taught at Wits University and Yale University as a Visiting Presidential Professor. She holds a doctorate in Political Studies from Wits University, with specializations in the fields of feminist political economy and feminist political theory and research interest in gendered labour, land and agrarian questions, the modern state, and the political economy of gendered violence. Her books include Gender, Ethnicity and Violence in Kenya’s Transitions to Democracy: States of Violence (2018) and the co-edited volume Labour Questions in the Global South (2021). She serves on numerous boards, is editor of Feminist Africa, co-editor of the Journal for Contemporary African Studies and editorial board member of Agrarian South: Journal of Political Economy, and is affiliated with many feminist and agrarian organisations and movements in Africa.

Brahim El Morchid Professor of Political Economy in the Department of Economics at Cadi Ayyad University, Marrakech. He holds a PhD in Economics, a PhD in the same discipline and university degree in Quantitative Techniques. He is an expert evaluator for the CNRST (Centre National de Recherche Scientifique et Technique) and a member of the scientific committee of the Marrakech Law Faculty. He is also a member of the scientific committee of the journal Istichraf, published by the Centre Arabe de Recherche et d’Etudes Politiques in Doha, Qatar, and of the journal des mutations en Afrique, published by the Economic Commission for Africa. El Morchid’s teaching and research focus on institutional economics, development economics and public policy. A significant part of his research work is devoted to the economies of Africa and the Arab world. Author and co-author of numerous texts published in scientific journals and collective works, he has also contributed to several international research projects focusing on reforms and the use of social science research. He recently co-edited a book with Elhoucine Chougrani entitled "Migration and human rights: economic costs, security policy issues and the closing of borders".

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Isaac Olawale Albert is a Professor of African History, Peace and Conflict Studies at the Institute for Peace and Strategic Studies, University of Ibadan (Nigeria). He is a specialist in security analysis, early warning system, peace process planning, peace education, monitoring and evaluation. He won the CODESRIA’s thesis writing awards in 1992 and 1994 respectively for his MA and doctoral studies at the University of Ibadan. He joined UI’s Institute of African Studies (IAS) in 1993 and became a full Professor in 2006; served as Director of African Studies from 2010 to 2013; the pioneer Director of the Institute for Peace and Strategic Studies (IPSS) from 2015 to 2018, and the pioneer Dean, Faculty of Multidisciplinary Studies 2018 to 2023. He has published extensively on issues relating to peace and security in Africa and currently serves as the Editor-in-Chief of the *African Journal on Terrorism* based at the African Union’s Centre for the Study and Research on Terrorism (Algiers, Algeria).

Therese F. Azeng is native of Cameroon. She works as Head of the Research and Publications Division at the University of Bertoua (Cameroon). She also lectures in the Department of Economic Analysis and Policy of the University of Yaoundé 2 (Cameroon). She holds a PhD in Public Economics. Her research focuses on Peace and security, Democratic governance, and Development Economics with a particular blend on the economic analysis of armed conflict. She authored papers on the role of youth unemployment in political instability, the causes of violent extremism and the macroeconomic effects of armed violence. Her current interest is on the climate change, environmental crime and armed conflict nexus in the Basin of Congo and the Lake Chad Basin. She is a member of CODESRIA since 2007; and numerous other think tanks worldwide. From 2019 to 2021, she was the coordinator of the Scientific Network of Academic Women in Management and Economics (RéSFUGE). She combined 17 years of policy-oriented research and fieldwork practice experiences within Africa.

S. Mshai Mwangola, is an oraturist / performance scholar who uses the lens of culture in her work as an academic, artist and activist. She holds a doctorate in Performance Studies from Northwestern University (USA), a Masters of Creative Arts from the University of Melbourne (Australia) and a Bachelor of Education from Kenyatta University (Kenya). Her intellectual work is characterised by her practice of performance, and in particular indigenous and contemporary traditions of story-telling for the purpose of research, pedagogy and advocacy. She is affiliated to the African Leadership Centre, Nairobi (adjunct faculty), and to the intellectual platforms *The Elephant* and *The Orature Collective* as a founding member. Mwangola is Vice President of the Transitional Council of the Society of International Development (SID), and Chair of the Board of Trustees of Uraia Trust. She sits on the Advisory Board of Macondo Literary Festival, and on the Board of Management of the P.J. Mwangola Secondary School.
Jacques Tshibwabwa Kuditshini holds a Ph.D in political science with a thesis on “Elections and Gendered Democracy in the DRC.” He is currently a full Professor at the University of Kinshasa’s Department of Political Sciences where he teaches a qualitative methodology seminar at the doctoral level. In addition to this, he teaches courses on territorial planning and theories of gender and social inequalities at the Master’s level. He is also a Visiting Researcher at the University Paris 8 Vincennes Saint-Denis. A member of various academic societies, Jacques has undertaken multiple study and research visits internationally, including at the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Royal Museum for Central Africa in Tervuren (Brussels). He has been recognized as a fellow (Resident researcher) at the Center of Excellence, in the Institut d’Etudes Avancées in Nantes (France) during the 2010-2011 session. As an author and co-author of books and book chapters, he has published articles in CODESRIA journals and other peer-reviewed scholarly publications. He has actively participated in several international scientific conferences. His areas of interest include gender studies, the epistemology of political science, issues related to democratic governance, and the study of territorial dynamics in states grappling with armed conflicts, particularly those involving illegal exploitation of natural resources.

Ramola Ramtohul is an Associate Professor in Gender Studies and Sociology at the University of Mauritius. She has a PhD in Gender Studies from the African Gender Institute at the University of Cape Town. She has published widely on women, gender and politics in Mauritius, intersectionality, diversity and citizenship. She has received research fellowships from the University of Cape Town, American Association of University Women, University of Cambridge and University of Pretoria. She is co-editor of Journal of Contemporary African Studies and Island Studies Journal and a member of the editorial board of the Journal Small States & Territories.

Khedija Mokeddem is Algerian. She is currently Research Director at the Centre National de Recherche en Anthropologie Sociale et Culturelle (CRASC) in Oran, Algeria. She was also an associate researcher at the Laboratoire Méditerranéen de Sociologie (LAMES) at the University of Aix-Marseille in France from 2016 to 2023. She obtained her PhD in Clinical Psychology at the University of Oran in Algeria, and subsequently obtained a habilitation to supervise research in Clinical Psychology in June 2016. In the course of her career, she has accumulated a wealth of experience as a consulting psychologist, head of the observation and education service in an open environment, and teacher in psycho-education. She has a particular interest in marginalized youth, young people’s life projects, social reintegration, couples, families, family conflicts and socialization institutions. In addition to her involvement in research projects, she has published numerous articles on the psychological and sociological dimensions of the personality of the delinquent teenager and other topics related to youth, health.
Ayemi A. Lawani is an Assistant Professor at the University of Kara in Togo. He previously held various positions in the non-profit and public sectors in the United States and Canada. He received a PhD in Sociology of development from the University of Montreal (Canada), a Master in Public Administration and public policy from the University of Delaware (USA), and a Bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Lome (Togo). His research is in the field of development studies, with a focus on local non-state actors in both civil society and entrepreneurship. His previous publications have focused on the emergence of civil societies in Africa, and the career paths of civil society activists. His most recent publications focus on youth and women's entrepreneurship, and public policy in the field of entrepreneurship. Alongside his research and teaching at the university, he is also involved in various public initiatives in the field of youth entrepreneurship and Togo's ongoing decentralization process. He has worked with several municipalities in Togo to draw up their development plans, focusing on endogenous resources.

Theresa Moyo is a retired Professor. Her last employment was with the University of Limpopo (UL) where she served as a Full Professor in the Master of Development (MDEV) Programme at the Turfloop Graduate School of Leadership (TGSL) in Polokwane City, South Africa. She was with the institution from 2005 to 2022. She holds a BSc Hons (Economics) and M Phil (Economics) degrees from the University of Zimbabwe and MA (Economics) and PhD (Economics) degrees from University of Dalhousie in Canada. One of her major achievements is that she has supervised close to 60 Students who have since graduated with the Master of Development in Planning and Management degree (University of Limpopo) and also co-supervised some PhD students in Uganda. Although she has retired, she is still actively involved in research and publishing particularly on issues of Africa's development such as, but not limited to industrialization, climate change and gender equality and empowerment of women. She is currently affiliated with Africa Insight, a journal of the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC) in South Africa. She is the Deputy Editor.