

# CURRICULUM VITAE

**Surname : OUEDRAOGO**

**Christian Names : Kadré Désiré**

**Date of Birth : 31-12-1953**

**Place of Birth : Boussouma, Sanmatenga Province  
(BURKINA FASO)**

**Marital Status : Married, 4 children**

## CURRENT FUNCTIONS:

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President of the ECOWAS Commission (Economic Community of West African States)

## EDUCATION:

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- Diploma of the “Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales” (HEC-Paris) – Option: International Affairs- 1977 Class
- General University Studies Degree, University of Paris 1 (Pantheon – Sorbonne)
- Bachelor’s Degree in Economic Sciences, University of Paris I (Pantheon – Sorbonne) – Major: “Public Economy and Economic Policy”.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

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**2001 – 2011:** Ambassador Extraordinary and plenipotentiary of Burkina Faso to the Kingdom of Belgium, The Kingdom of the Netherlands, Ireland and The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Permanent Representative of Burkina Faso to the European Union (EU), the Organisation for the prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and the World Customs Organisation (WCO).

**1996 - 2000:** Prime Minister, Head of the Government of Burkina Faso

**1996 -1997:** Minister of Economy and Finance of Burkina Faso  
(Simultaneously with the functions of Prime Minister)

**1993 -1996:** Deputy Governor of Central Bank of the West African States (BCEAO), DAKAR (Sénégal)

**1985 - 1993:** Deputy Executive Secretary of ECOWAS (Economic Community of West African States) in charge of Economic Affairs, LAGOS (Nigeria)

**1983 - 1985:** Financial Advisor to the Secretary General of the West African Community (WAEC, OUAGADOUGOU)

**1981 - 1983:** Heads of the Financial Department of FOSIDEC (WAEC, OUAGADOUGOU)

**1980– 1981:** Executive Officer in the Financial Department of FOSIDEC (WAEC, OUAGADOUGOU)

**1977- 1980:** Counselor for Economic Affairs, Ministry of Trade and Industrial Development, OUAGADOUGOU (Burkina Faso).

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES:**

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- Teaching Analytical Accounting and Management Planning for 4 years at the University of Ouagadougou (University Institute of Technology)
- Elected member of Parliament, National Assembly of Burkina Faso, May 1997

## **HONORARY TITLES:**

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- Promoted to the dignity of Grand Officer in the National Order of Burkina Faso, 11 December, 1996.
- Commander in the Order of Merit of the International Military Sports Council (CISM), 22 February, 2000

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS:**

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- French: Read, write and speak fluently
- English: Read, write and speak fluently
- Spanish: Read fluently

## **OTHER DUTIES PERFORMED WHILE IN BRUSSELS:**

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- Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization (WTO)
- Chairman of the ACP (Africa, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States) Committee of Ambassadors in Brussels.
- Chairman of the Group of African Ambassadors in Brussels
- Coordinator of the Group of West African Ambassadors in Brussels
- Chairman of the ACP Committee of Ambassadors' Working Group on Cotton, Brussels.
- Chairman of the ACP Working Group the Future of the ACP Group, Brussels
- Chairman of the ACP Working Group on the Implementation of Decisions 1 and 8 of the 86<sup>th</sup> session of the ACP Council of Ministers on the Strategic Reform of the ACP Secretariat and the Future of the ACP Group, Brussels

## **HOBBIES:**

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- Sports
- Reading
- Music
- Photography