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**CANDIDATE INFORMATION FOR  
SEAT FOUR: CENTRAL AFRICA**

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*The nationality and country of residence of each candidate has also been published.*

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**Antoine Joseph Junior Tonye**

Nationality: Cameroonian

Country of residence: Cameroon



**Brief Motivation**

TONYE ANTOINE JOSEPH JUNIOR is the LIR Administrator of CAMEROON TELECOMMUNICATIONS (CAMTEL).

He is an IT Engineer in Information System. Since his appointment to CAMTEL at that position in the year 2000, he has participated with the staff of CAMTEL in bringing a number of significant technical changes within the Organization.

TONYE's long experience with AFRINIC's policies has helped CAMTEL to grow into a better governance of the internet by efficient management of IP addresses and routing. He is the author of the implementation of the ROA/RPKI in the CAMTEL's Network, and he leads the cooperation between CAMTEL and AFRINIC. His 25 years of experience in Information and Communications Technologies in CAMTEL has also helped him obtain a wide range of skills and capacity which are of benefit to Cameroon's Internet ecosystem, and can be of benefit to AFRINIC member community as a whole.

He intends to better provide support to the CEO and Staff of the Organization in fulfilling the mandate of the AFRINIC NEW LOOK and objectives of the Organization. His earnest wish



that he be allowed to serve the community in capacity as Board member from the Central African region (Seat 4).

AfriNIC & RIPE NC Meetings Participation:

2001: AFRINIC-1 ; ICANN, RIPE NCC meeting Accra GHANA

2001: RIPE NCC Meeting Zurich SUIZERLAND,

2002: RIPE NCC Meeting Rhodes Athènes GRECE ,

2006: AFRINIC- 4 Nairobi KENYA

2014 : AFRINIC -20 : Djibouti (he was candidate for seat 4)

2022 : NgPIF Lagos, Nigeria

2023 : AFPIF 2023 Accra GHANA ;

2023 AFNOG – AIS 2023: JOHANNESBOURG.

#### Professional Background

TONYE ANTOINE JOSEPH JUNIR has played a key role in CAMTEL over the past 25 years in the following positions:

2000 - 2005: IP Address and routing Manager ;

2005- 2009: Networks Manager ;

2009 - 2012: Network Audit Department;

2012 - 2014: ICT customer relationship;

2014 - 2021 : Technical Support;

2021 - 2022 : Technical Audit Department;

2022 - 2023 : IP Transit Department;

2023 - 2025 : Technical Operation Department.

## **Cedric Andre Yana**

Nationality: Cameroonian

Country of residence: Cameroon



### Brief Motivation

Cedric Andre Yana is a dynamic and results-driven technology sales professional with a passion for driving digital transformation across Central Africa. His extensive experience in ICT sales, relationship management, and business development positions him as a key advocate for advancing the region's digital infrastructure. Cedric excels in building strategic partnerships, delivering innovative solutions, and fostering capacity-building initiatives in internet governance and cybersecurity. Fluent in French and Business English, he thrives in multicultural environments, bridging gaps between technical and commercial domains. His commitment to empowering businesses through digital solutions and his proven track record in revenue growth make him an ideal candidate to contribute to AFRINIC's mission of fostering inclusive and sustainable digital development in Central Africa.

### Professional Background

Cedric Andre Yana is a seasoned business development and technology sales expert with extensive years of experience in ICT, fintech, and digital infrastructure projects. With his experience as a business development consultant, he leads B2B sales strategies, develops service offerings, and supervises sales teams to drive market expansion.

Previously, as Distribution Sales Engineer at Dahua Technology, Cedric provided technical support, trained customers, and executed demand-generation activities. His role as Senior Account Manager at YOOME MOBILE saw him successfully expand the mobile money merchant network through field operations and performance monitoring. At MTN Cameroon, he achieved a 72% revenue growth in digital services by managing a portfolio of 400+ 828 clients and promoting cloud solutions, web hosting, and Office 365 licenses.

Cedric's technical foundation was built during his tenure as Junior IT Officer at DANGOTE Cement and IT Assistant at ENEO Cameroon, where he provided user support and managed IT infrastructure. He holds a Master's in Strategic Marketing from ESSEC Douala and certifications in Inbound Marketing and Sales Techniques from HubSpot Academy.



Fluent in French and Business English, Cedric combines technical expertise with commercial acumen to deliver impactful results. His dedication to innovation and collaborative leadership makes him a valuable asset for advancing Central Africa's digital ecosystem.

**Laurent Ntumba**

Nationality: Congolese

Country of residence: Democratic Republic of Congo



Brief Motivation

I, Laurent Ntumba Kayemba, respectfully submit my candidacy to the AFRINIC Board of Directors to serve with integrity and wisdom during this defining period for Africa's internet governance.

AFRINIC is currently navigating a period of exceptional institutional challenge marked by coordination difficulties, ongoing legal pressures, concerns around the mismanagement of IP resources, and broader risks to Africa's digital sovereignty. I bring over 40 years of ICT leadership in Central Africa, having built one of the region's most resilient infrastructure networks and helped localize internet traffic through KINIX, LUBIX, and GOMIX.

As a former member of AFRINIC's Governance Committee and Policy Development Appeal Committee, I understand both the governance gaps and the community-driven processes needed to restore stability and trust. As Vice President of the Telecom Committee at the Federation of Enterprises of Congo (FEC) and President of ISPA-DRC, I engage regularly with stakeholders across the public, private, and civil society landscape.

I stand for an AFRINIC that is transparent, accountable, and sovereign. My mission within the limits of my function and in compliance with the AFRINIC Bylaws will be to protect Africa's remaining IPv4 resources, support collaborative policy development, and ensure AFRINIC remains a secure and strategic institution serving the continent.

I am committed to contributing experienced, principled leadership to help rebuild trust and ensure AFRINIC's continued service to the African internet community.

**Laurent Ntumba Kayemba**

*Managing Director - Microcom DRC*

*President - Internet Service Provider Association of the DRC (ISPA-DRC)*

*Former Member - AFRINIC Governance Committee*



## Professional Background

Laurent Ntumba Kayemba is a visionary ICT leader with over 30 years of experience advancing telecommunications, digital infrastructure, and internet policy reform in Central Africa. Based in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), he currently serves as Managing Director of Microcom DRC, a top-tier wireless ISP, and as President of the Internet Service Provider Association of the DRC (ISPA-DRC).

Under Laurent's leadership, Microcom evolved from a small electronics repair shop into a national ISP operating in 11 cities, serving government bodies, international organizations, and major private sector clients. He pioneered key innovations including a VSAT satellite backbone and early WiMAX deployment, dramatically expanding broadband access to underserved regions. His work earned Microcom the AfricaCom Award for Best Network Improvement and secured strategic partnerships with global satellite providers like Intelsat and Eutelsat.

As ISPA-DRC President, Laurent has been instrumental in shaping national internet policy, advocating for reduced telecom taxes, inclusion of ISP voices in digital strategies, and more transparent spectrum regulation. He is the founding architect of KINIX, the first Internet Exchange Point in the DRC, and led the launch of LUBIX and GOMIX, creating a national IXP ecosystem that significantly reduced latency and international transit costs. Through partnerships with the Internet Society, Google, and Facebook, he has made the DRC a continental model for local traffic exchange and digital sovereignty.

Laurent also serves as Vice-President of the Telecom Professional Committee within the Fédération des Entreprises du Congo (FEC), representing ICT industry interests in regulatory discussions. He is a regular contributor to continental forums such as AfPIF and has served in governance roles at AFRINIC, influencing regional internet development policy.

Beyond ICT, Laurent is a passionate humanitarian. As President of Operation Smile DRC, he has led campaigns delivering over 2,000 cleft surgeries and 100+ fistula repairs, improving access to care for vulnerable populations.

With a track record of visionary leadership, ecosystem building, and policy impact, Laurent Ntumba Kayemba is recognized as one of Central Africa's most influential ICT pioneers, committed to a more connected, inclusive, and resilient digital future.

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## **Paul Binam Bi Nemi Binam**

Nationality: Cameroonian

Country of residence: Cameroon



### Brief Motivation

Paul Binam is a dynamic and results-driven commercial leader with over a decade of experience in sales, team management, and strategic business development across Africa.

His career is fueled by a passion for building long-term client relationships, driving revenue growth, and optimizing operational efficiency in diverse industries from e-commerce and telecommunications to hospitality and technology. Paul thrives in challenging environments, leveraging his exceptional interpersonal skills and adaptability to deliver tailored solutions that exceed targets. Whether negotiating high-value partnerships or revitalizing operations as Director General of Groupe Wissbuy, he combines analytical rigor with a customer-centric approach. Eager to embrace new challenges, Paul seeks opportunities to apply his expertise in leadership, market expansion, and innovative sales strategies to create measurable impact.

### Professional Background

Paul Binam is an accomplished business leader with over 10 years of progressive experience in sales management, business development, and executive leadership across multiple industries in Africa. His previous leadership roles include serving as Director General of Groupe Wissbuy where he developed short and long-term business strategies while overseeing six departments in the e-commerce sector, and managing operations for restaurant chains like Chill Out and Dollcat where he implemented systems to maximize profits and improve customer experiences. Paul has also held key commercial positions with major corporations including Jumia as Head of Key Accounts where he strengthened supplier relationships, and telecommunications companies MTN Cameroon and Orange Cameroon where he led sales teams and expanded market share through innovative B2B strategies. His career demonstrates consistent success in revenue growth, team leadership, and operational optimization across diverse business environments. Paul holds a Masters degree in Marketing



and Sales from the University of Douala and brings strong competencies in strategic planning, client relations, and cross-cultural business development to any organization.