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Professional Summary

Tidjani Salah is a consultant specializing in project preparation support with expertise in engineering, rural development, civil engineering, and water resources management. With over two decades of experience, he has worked on infrastructure development, water resource projects, and institutional capacity-building. His career spans consultancy, project execution, and leadership roles, supporting both public and private sector stakeholders in delivering sustainable engineering solutions, WASH initiatives, and civil infrastructure projects.

Professional Experience

World Bank Short-Term Consultant to support Regional Phase of the Accelerating access To WASH in East and Southern Africa program

Dates: From February to Jun 2025

I am mandated by the World Bank to assist in the formulation of the project as a Senior Infrastructure Expert for a period of three months.

Local Consultant to support the Coordination and stakeholders' mobilization Chad Infrastructure Forum

Dates: From February to April 2025

Consultant, served as the NEPAD focal point for the organization of the International Infrastructure Forum in Chad, scheduled for February 18-20, 2025.

In this role, I participated in developing the forum's terms of reference and was involved in the selection of bankable projects, providing support for their presentations.

Throughout the preparation phase, I organized meetings with key stakeholders, reformulated the forum's strategy, and contributed to drafting the event's agenda. I worked closely with the NEPAD team to plan follow-up meetings with all involved parties, ensuring effective coordination and stakeholder engagement.

In addition, I managed various aspects of the forum's execution, including identifying and selecting high-level panelists. I prepared and moderated a high-level panel involving ministers, providing logistical, administrative, and technical support to ensure the smooth running of the session.

Following the forum, I continued collaborating with the monitoring and evaluation team to analyze the forum's recommendations, working to ensure their implementation and maximize the event's impact.

Founder & CEO – Institut du Sahel pour les Technologies et le Leadership (ISTL)

Dates: Since 2024

As the founder and CEO of ISTL, I lead a consulting and training institute providing capacity-building programs, leadership development, and technical consultancy in engineering, infrastructure, and project management. The institute supports public and private organizations in project feasibility studies, investment planning, and technical advisory services for construction, water resource management, and rural development.

Founder & President – Chadia (Non-Profit Organization)

Dates: 2022 – 2024

Chadia is a non-profit organization I established to enhance access to water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH), improve education and healthcare, and promote sustainable entrepreneurship and environmental protection. The organization implements rural water supply projects, sanitation system development, and hygiene awareness programs while fostering local capacity-building.

Independent Consultant – AUDA-NEPAD (African Union Project)

Dates: 2022

I provided independent consultancy services for AUDA-NEPAD, supporting capacity-building initiatives for young entrepreneurs in Chad and Niger. My role involved designing and delivering training on business strategy, investment planning, project financing, and feasibility assessments.

Founder & Managing Director – Alhouda (Construction Equipment Rental & Engineering Services)

Dates: 2007 – 2023

Alhouda was established to provide heavy machinery rental services and engineering consultancy for infrastructure projects. The company supplied excavators, graders, and loaders for civil engineering projects, including road construction, water infrastructure development, and flood management projects.

Founder & Managing Director – Rainbow (Import-Export & Infrastructure Supply)

Dates: 2002 – 2022

Rainbow specialized in importing construction and engineering equipment from China to support infrastructure development in Chad. The company provided construction materials and machinery for projects related to water treatment plants, sanitation networks, and dam construction.

Founder & Managing Director – ECAT (Engineering & Infrastructure Consultancy)

Dates: 2002 – 2009

ECAT was an engineering consultancy firm providing technical and strategic advisory services for civil infrastructure and water resource projects. The firm specialized in rural road development, urban drainage planning, sanitation system design, and environmental impact assessments.

Project Manager – Swiss Cooperation in Chad (Rural Infrastructure & Water Resources)

Dates: 1997 – 2001

As a project manager for the Swiss Cooperation in Chad, I led rural infrastructure projects focused on road rehabilitation, erosion control, and water management. I supervised a team of engineers in designing and constructing rural roads, mini-dams, and sediment control structures to mitigate the impact of desertification and improve water retention for agricultural use.

Education & Qualifications

Master's Degree in Entrepreneurship, Business Creation, and Business Takeover

Institution: École Spéciale des Travaux Publics de Paris

Year: 2004

Distinction: Très Bien (Highest Honors)

Advanced Diploma in Strategy & Finance

Institution: Sorbonne (Paris) & CEFEB (Marseille)

Year: 2004

Distinction: Bien (Honors)

Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering

Institution: University of Moncton, Canada

Year: 1997

Distinction: Bien (Honors)

Specialized Training in Labor-Intensive Construction Methods

Institution: Kenya

Year: 2000

Distinction: Reference: Sabine Scenk, Zurich, Switzerland | +41 79 109 82 13

Project Management Training

Institution: Kribi, Cameroon

Year: 1999

Undergraduate Degree in Mathematics & Physics

Institution: University of Chad, Faculty of Exact Sciences

Year: 1991

Scientific Baccalaureate (Series C – Advanced Mathematics & Physics)

Institution: Chad

Year: 1989

Core Competencies

- Project Preparation & Feasibility Studies: Expertise in conducting technical, economic, and environmental assessments for large-scale projects.
- Water Resource Management & Infrastructure Development: Specialized in sanitation systems, flood management, irrigation projects, and water supply planning.
- Engineering & Civil Works Consultancy: Extensive experience in rural road construction, erosion control, and hydraulic infrastructure.
- Strategic Business Development & Investment Planning: Proficient in funding strategies, financial modeling, and risk assessment for infrastructure projects.
- Leadership & Capacity Building: Experienced in team management, institutional strengthening, and training initiatives for professionals and entrepreneurs.

Languages

- French: Fluent (Speaking & Writing)
- English: Intermediate (Speaking & Writing)
- Arabic: Good (Speaking), Basic (Writing)

References

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