# David GUENDEHOU Certified translator

#### **PERSONAL / CONTACTS**

Birth Date: 21.12.1969 Birth Place: Porto-Novo (Benin) Nationality: Benin Marital status: Married, 03 children Languages: French, English, Spanish. 1 Rue de la Justice Brune 95000 Cergy, France +33 6 40 28 77 70 (France) +223 76 34 95 30 (Mali) +229 97 88 84 74 (Bénin) +221 77 203 02 85 (Sénégal) davidguendehou@gmail.com

## SKILLS

- Bilingual translation and interpretation (English <>French),
- Communication and specialized writing,
- Interpersonal and pedagogical skills,
- Ability to work as a team,
- Creativeness and sense of initiative,
- Good knowledge of Microsoft office and the internet.
- Good knowledge of translation softwares and tools such as Word Count, Acronym Finder, SDL Trados studio, Le Grand Dictionnaire Terminologique (GDT), The Canadian Style, Le Guide du Rédacteur, Termium Plus, etc.
- Knowledge of countries like Canada, France, Nigeria, Togo, Senegal, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Mali.

# **OBJECTIVES**

- Produce quality translations into English and French;
- Interpret consecutively and simultaneously at a consistently high level;
- Good organization skills to accomplish work goals by using excellent cross-cultural oral and written communication skills and being tactful and discreet;
- Carry out any administrative work assigned to me, etc.

# **EDUCATION**

#### 2015

**Translation School, Université de Saint-Boniface, Winnipeg (Manitoba), Canada** Certificate in Translation

#### 2012

**Faculty of Arts, University of Abomey-Calavi, Benin.** Diploma of Advanced Studies candidate (Dissertation being drafted)

#### 2007

# Ecole Supérieure d'Interprètes et de Traducteurs (ESIT),

#### Université Paris Dauphine, France

Participation to a training module entitled "Théorie de l'interprétation" (Interpreting theory).

#### 2002

Teacher Training College, University of Abomey-Calavi, Benin

Secondary school teaching certificate (CAPES) in English.

#### **2000 Faculty of arts, University of Abomey-Calavi, Benin.** Master's Degree in English studies.

#### 1996

Faculty of arts, University of Abomey-Calavi, Benin.

Bachelor's Degree in English studies.

#### 1992

#### Dantokpa Secondary School, Cotonou, Benin

Baccalauréat A2 (High school diploma in humanities).

## WORK HISTORY

| 2001 to date   | Freelance translator and interpreter.   |  |
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| 2014 to date   | Main coordinator of translation activities, Media Traduction Services based in Dakar (Senegal), Cotonou (Benin) and Bamako (Mali).                            |  |
| 2015-2017  | High School Principal, Allada, Benin  |  |
| 2012-2016  | <b>Part-time teacher of English applied to journalism, accountancy and business</b> at HECM and ISM Adonaï, Cotonou, Benin.                                   |  |
| July-Oct. 2003<br>June-Sept. 2002<br>June-Sept. 2001 | National Directorate for interpreting and translation (DNIT),<br>Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cotonou, Benin.<br>Internships in translation and interpreting. |  |
| 2001-2015  | Teacher of English, Cotonou, Benin  |  |
| 1997-2001  | Teacher of English and French, Cotonou, Benin   |  |

# INTERESTS

| • | Reading, | <ul> <li>Cooperation and internation</li> </ul> | al relations, |
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- Movies, Anglo-Saxon and African literatures, civilizations and languages,
- Footing,
  Theatre,
  School legislation,
  - Child and youth capacity building,
- Music,
  Trips,
  Etc.

# DISSERTATION

- The USA Millennium Challenge Account Program for Benin: Impacts and Perspectives. (Currently being drafted)
- Difficultés des élèves de l'enseignement secondaire face à l'épreuve de l'expression écrite en Anglais ; (2002)
- Sir Winston Churchill's Political Achievements: Impacts and Implications ; (2000)

#### REFEREES

Upon request