CURRICULUM VITAE

NAME	Cheickna Yaranangoré
NATIONALITY	Burkinabè
LANGUAGES	French: Native, English: Fluent

EXPERTISE

Cheickna Yaranangoré is a political scientist and Country Director of the Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy in Burkina Faso. He has extensive experience in democratic governance, political dialogue, social cohesion, and public policy analysis in West Africa. He has led programmes supporting youth and women's political participation, coordinated complex evaluations, and advised on governance and decentralisation reform in fragile and post-conflict contexts. His research spans political economy, conflict dynamics, and community resilience, with recent focus countries including Mali, Ethiopia, the DRC, and South Sudan.

QUALIFICATIONS

• PhD Candidate in Political Science – Thomas Sankara University, Burkina Faso (Ongoing)

• Master's in Political Science (Research) – Thomas Sankara University, Burkina Faso

• Master 1 in Political Science – Thomas Sankara University, Burkina Faso

• CAPES (Certified Teacher of Philosophy) – ENS Koudougou, Burkina Faso

• Teacher Development Certificate – Zaim University, Istanbul

• Leadership Training Certificate – SkilledIn, Ouagadougou

• MA and BA in Philosophy (Political and Moral Philosophy) – University of Ouagadougou

CONSULTANCIES AND RESEARCH UNDERTAKEN

2021–Present - Country Director, Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD), Burkina Faso

Leads NIMD's country office in Burkina Faso, overseeing programme implementation, political dialogue initiatives, fundraising, and institutional partnerships. Responsible for technical and financial reporting, and building strategic networks among political actors, civil society, and international stakeholders.

2021- Programme Officer, Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD), Burkina Faso

Supported project implementation, budget planning, consultant coordination, and programme communication. Led development and submission of new project proposals and managed project website and external relations.

2023–2024 - Consultant, GRET (Project Trois Frontières), Burkina Faso

Led qualitative interviews and analysis for a study on social cohesion across five intervention sites. Responsibilities included methodology design, enumerator training, supervision, and report drafting.

2023–2024 - Consultant on Social Cohesion, Confédération Paysanne du Faso (CPF), Burkina Faso

Conducted a study on land conflicts and their impact on social cohesion in multiple regions, including Centre-Nord and Hauts-Bassins.

2022 - Lead Consultant, OXFAM Burkina Faso

Conducted strategic conflict analysis and assessment of community conflict resolution mechanisms in the Yatenga province.

2021–2022 - Consultant Team Leader, Initiative Conseil International / Fondation Hirondelle

Led evaluation of media programming and civic engagement activities by Fondation Hirondelle's Studio Yafa between 2019–2021.

2022 - Research Assistant, DCAF – Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance / ISSAT

Contributed to a case study on people-centred security sector reform in Burkina Faso, under the supervision of Prof. Abdoul Karim Saidou.

2020–2021 - Facilitator & Trainer, USIP / Balai Citoyen, OXFAM

Facilitated dialogue and civic education workshops on peace, security, and democratic engagement, targeting youth, religious groups, and local officials.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

• Heidi Bojsen, Yaranangoré Cheickna et al. (2017). 'Le Balai citoyen et « la base » : trajectoires et aspirations', in Acts of the International Conference on Social Movements and Political Change in Africa, Volume 2, University Press of Ouagadougou.

• Rémy, Julien and Yaranangoré, Cheickna (2018). 'Endogenous mechanisms for conflict prevention and democracy building in Burkina Faso', presented at the

International Symposium on Conflict Resolution Mechanisms in Africa, Abidjan, November 28 – December 1, 2018.