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PERSONAL PROFILE

Mr. Ouko is the **Auditor-General of the Republic of Kenya**. He was appointed the Auditor-General on 27 August, 2011. He is a Fellow Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales (FCA), Member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (CPA) and holds a B.Com Degree (Hons) in Finance and Accounting from the University of Nairobi.

Before his appointment, Mr. Ouko was the **Auditor General at the African Development Bank** where he directed the audit function and was also in charge of the anti-corruption and fraud function upto June 2010. Mr. Ouko was with the African Development Bank (AfDB) for over 24 years in various capacities.

Mr. Ouko has over 25 years experience in matters of auditing, accounting and investigations. At the African Development Bank, he directed and supervised audits, anti-corruption and fraud investigation functions for over 12 years cumulatively. Prior to joining the Bank in 1987, he worked in London and Nairobi for Deloitte, Haskins and Sells, one of the Big Six accounting firms in the world then, as a staff accountant and later Audit Manager.

Mr. Ouko sits in an advisory capacity in a number of UN agencies and International Institutions. He chairs the Audit Committee of **Food and Agricultural Organization** (FAO). He is also a member of the Audit and Risk Committee of the **African Capacity Building Foundation** (ACBF). He is a member of the Advisory Board of the Vienna-based **International Anti Corruption Academy** (IACA). The academy, set up by the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNDOC), the European Union Anti Fraud Office (OLAF) and signatory countries, to serve as a centre of excellence for anti corruption research, degree-based learning and the development of policies and procedures to prevent and combat corruption. He served as an external member of the Audit Committee of **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for the Palestinian Refugees** (UNRWA) until May 2011.

Mr. Ouko has been involved in close networking with Multi-lateral Development Banks (MDBs) and UN agencies for over 12 years on matters of investigations and audit. He

was a working group member of the MDBs and the UN Heads of Internal Audit on revising the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) standard for a new definition of Internal Auditing. In 2003, he was a contributor in drawing up the first Standards of Investigation for the UN, MDBs and OLAF.

In 2005, he was a member of the **International Financial Institutions Anti Corruption Task Force** set up by the leaders of the African Development Bank Group, Asian Development Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, European Investment Bank Group, International Monetary Fund, Inter-American Development Bank Group and the World Bank to work towards a consistent and harmonized approach to combat corruption in the activities and operations of the member institutions. On February 18, 2006, in Singapore, the leaders adopted **Uniform Framework for Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption** by the Task Force that harmonized strategy to combat corruption in the activities and operations of the member institutions. The Task Force further worked on a Joint Sanctions Accord to cross-debar firms found to have engaged in fraud and corruption. On April 9, 2010, the participating institutions signed the Accord for mutual recognition of sanctions to deter and prevent corrupt practices.

Mr. Ouko has participated in many seminars and workshops on Auditing, Accounting, Management, Fraud and Corruption. He has been a regular key note speaker and a panelist at the **Annual Audit, Risk and Governance Africa Conferences**.