



5th ISGF Africa Region Conference, Burkina Faso, 24 February-1 March 2017

CANDIDATES STANDING FOR THE AFRICA REGION COMMITTEE 2016 – 2019

The candidates are listed in alphabetical order by their family name :

Mrs SUSAN ABALO- UGANDA
Mr PIERRE DAMIEN BABO – BENIN
Mr IDDRISU HUSSAIN – GHANA
Mr HENRY LUKWELE – ZAMBIA

The Regional committee will endeavour to further develop the African members' countries but also the Region in its whole scale.

Candidates were requested to speak and write well one of the two official languages of the ISGF, English or French. They were also asked to be able to work and communicate by email or skype. In the following pages, you will find a presentation of the candidates with their objectives and motivation (excerpts of the documents forwarded by the candidates)

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General Information

Age	26 (1990)
Language spoken	English
Education	Bachelor in Social work and social administration
Professional	Social worker and entrepreneur with a passion for young people. Trainer for youths and women in programs to develop their abilities and empower them with skills using the available local resources.
Computer skills	Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Internet navigation and website skills (updating website and creating online platforms)

Scouting and Guiding background

Started in 2004 when was a high school student. Lead the 1st Scout Voice editorial team and published the three first editions of the Scout Voice newsletters ; participated in U-Report T.V dialogue -U-Report is an SMS platform involving people, at national level, for sharing issues-.Was the youth representative of Uganda at the 7th UNESCO Youth Forum – « How Youths drive change » - in France, 2011. She is currently the Community development officer of the NSGF- Uganda.

Community activities

In the frame of scouting, her professional background, UNESCO youth desk, she is involved in the issues of environment, unemployment and children protection. She also offers her support to parents with disabled children.

Strategic plan for the Africa Region

Vision	Strengthen Adult Scouting in all spheres of life.
Targets and objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To build a platform that involves all the guides and scouts to develop a dialogue and share ideas and learn from each other. My target is 10,000 guides in the platform; - To organize annual National forums that get the guides and scouts together and organise guides and scouts for the international forums; - To popularize the ISGF nationally and internationally.
Ideas for the development of the Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To build a platform that involves the scouts and guides in all the regions to dialogue and share issues and ideas; - To organize a forum open to all guides and for there to be regional representatives.

Motivation

“My desire is to strengthen Adult scouting in a way that is developmental with various activities, with the aim of creating impact in our communities and making this world a better place to be.

As a team player, I strongly believe in teamwork and activities being planned and implemented with the available resources and through this platform, we shall be able to raise issues that are challenging us and come up with Creative ideas and solutions to control them and share ideas and learn from each other, to promote development in our communities.

I will be glad to be nominated as ISGF Africa Region Committee Candidate it will give me opportunity to implement these developmental ideas and also to popularise ISGF, nationally and internationally.”



Mr PIERRE DAMIEN BABO BENIN



General Information

Age	48 (1968)
Language spoken	French
Education	Law degree, University diploma in technology (DUT) with Human resources management as option
Professional	Human Resources Manager at High Authority for Audiovisual and Communication (HAAC) from 2008 to 2012, and press analyst at HAAC from 2012 to the present.
Computer skills	Computer and website literate

Scouting and Guiding background

Trainer of trainers, holder of four (4) wood badges of the Scout movement in Benin since 2010. Chief commissioner of the Catholics scouts in Benin from 2010 to 2015. Currently, in charge of the NSGF of Benin.

Community activities

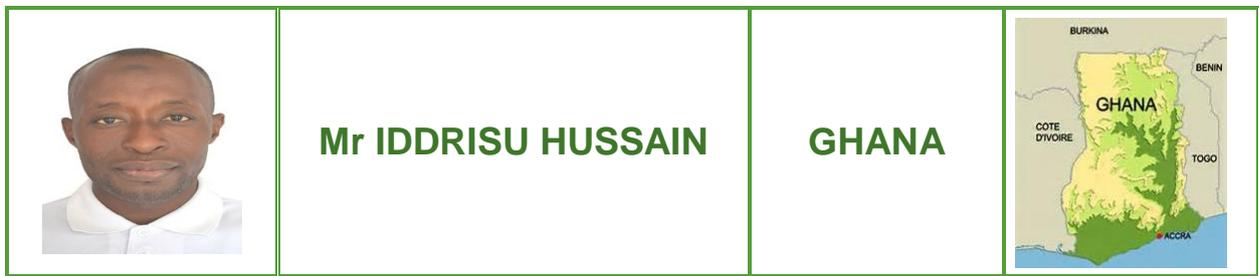
Introduction of improved woodstoves/cooking stoves; clean-up of civil hospitals and jails, participation in various awareness campaigns, such as against diseases, children abuse, excision of young girls. Attended various conferences and seminars at national and international levels.

Strategic plan for the Africa Region

Vision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To make the ISGF more visible to African countries that are not yet members of ISGF and to expand the membership; - To set up a fee system to enable the organisation to have resources in order to carry out its mission; - To put forward suggestions to have more completed legal documents (Constitution and By-laws) of the ISGF Africa Region.
Targets and objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To offer my skills, my experiences and my enthusiasm to the ISGF Africa Region; - To gain management experiences at the African level.
Ideas for the development of the Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To look for sponsors for the activities of the ISGF Africa Region; - To implement fundraising activities.

Motivation

« The need to stand for such a level of responsibility appears for me to be a trigger factor for the outreach of the ISGF in Africa. It seems also to be a good opportunity to strengthen my leadership in the NSGFs. It is a question of being closer to decision-makers to ensure steadily development, in terms of program and organisation, and to make the voice of our NSGFs heard. [...] Setting up a new fee system, adopting new legal texts and a vision for the future must get us out of indifference, inertia and our 'victim' status [...] My election will enable me to offer my skills for the profit of the ISGF Africa Region.»



General Information

Age	34 (1982)
Language spoken	English
Education	Modern College of Science and Technology
Professional	Teaching, Marketing, Sales and Human Resources
Computer skills	Computer literate and able to opere a website

Scouting and Guiding background

Has held various positions such as Patrol leader, senior patrol leader, troop and group leader, district Commissioner and deputy Regional Commissioner. He is currently the International Secretary of NSGF-Ghana and activities coordinator (camp Ghana).

Community activities

He is involved in a lots of community works in Ghana such as community labour and clean up campaigns, malaria awareness.

Strategic plan for the Africa Region

Vision	To see ISGF operating all over the world with the highest possible membership.
Targets and objectives	- To strengthen the leadership of the Region and will through hard work re-brand African Fellowship through the committee and our Constitution.
Ideas for the development of the Region	- I think that the elected Africa Committee must first understand the importance of unity and communication. They should pass information on to their members; - To market the organisation through mass and social media in order to develop the Region .

Motivation

“I have held the position of treasurer position job for the last two years with a Goldcoast Clothing and Art company and I have the experience needed in making important financial decisions that assisted the growth of the company. I am highly organized and pay strong attention to details. My knowledge and my skills in understanding financial decisions have ensured all financial obligations have been met. I have the interpersonal skills needed to create relationships with other professionals and the ability to confer with executives within any company to help keep finances organized and to ensure that there is enough cash flow needed to operate and grow the company.

I am extremely enthusiastic about the treasurer position and would welcome the opportunity to contribute to ISGF continued success.

Personally, I think it is high time ISGF -Africa extends its membership drive through our highest educational institutions so we can tap their knowledge.”



General Information

Age	58 (1958)
Language spoken	English
Education	Diploma - Physiotherapist
Professional	Worked for the Zambian Government as Physiotherapist for 10 years and for the Botswana Government for 18 years.
Computer skills	Computer literate and good operating website skills

Scouting and Guiding background

Member of the National Scout and Guide Fellowship-Zambia since 2009 and was National President from 2012 to 2015. Since January 2014 to November 2016, he has been Chairman of the ISGF Africa Region of ISGF.

Strategic plan for the Africa Region

Vision	To see the growth of ISGF expanded to most of the countries where it does not yet exist.
Targets and objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All countries with Central Branches should see themselves grow into National Fellowships. - New countries should be targeted for ISGF membership - To have a strong committed Africa Region Committee which should operate fully to bring about meaningful growth of membership within their Sub-Region and indeed in the individual countries.
Ideas for the development of the Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For the Region to develop, we need to have a strong link between the Central Branches and the National Fellowships on the one hand and the Africa Region Committee on the other hand with a strong secretariat. - Improve communication- I strongly feel that where one has some limitations in terms of finding time to even simply communicate once a month with the team, it would be advisable for them to give opportunities to those willing to see meaningful growth of ISGF take positions on the committee. It will be very important to ensure that the team, which come into the committee, give themselves selflessly to make communication an important tool of making the Africa Region grow. - All positions on the committee should function effectively, with annual reports being sent to ISGF to show participation levels. - Membership growth: tireless effort will be required by ourselves as individual countries to evaluate our effort to recruit new members with the challenge being thrown to the wider membership of the Region - Objectives planned for the Region will have to be owned by each country to yield results. There is need to come up with evaluation tools, which are measurable by each region depending on their local situations prevailing. - We shall need to strengthen the financial situation within the Africa Region with tangible suggestions being considered. Fundraising activities should be given priority.

Motivation

“Having been Chairman of the Region, I have learnt a few things and I strongly feel I could still contribute to the benefit of the Region.

I would like to see the team members of the committee giving value to the team spirit, passed onto us as scouts and guides, of being truthful in our deeds and actions. Reflecting our desire to make friendship our most useful tool for reaching out to others through service.”

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