

Biography of Mr Albéric KACOU

Formerly Vice-President of Human Resources and Institutional Services of the African Development Bank (AfDB), Albéric KACOU is the Chairman of the Regulatory Council of the Inland Transport Regulatory Authority (ARTI).

Albéric Kacou is a seasoned executive with proven international experience in managing large structures and with high-level skills in strategic and innovative leadership in different national and regional contexts. Albéric Kacou also has a solid foothold in development programmes and actions. He has a wealth of experience in developing and implementing institutional reforms for organizational coherence and effectiveness.

Albéric Kacou also previously served as Chief of Staff and Director of the Executive Office of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in New York. In this capacity, he provided managerial support to the UNDP Administrator in the management of the Agency globally and within the United Nations Development Group. He has played an important role in UNDP's structural reform and organizational change to build a leaner, more agile organization capable of responding to rapidly changing development challenges. Prior to assuming this position, Albéric Kacou served four times as United Nations Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Guinea Bissau, Senegal, Nigeria and the United Republic of Tanzania. In these positions, he contributed to the implementation of pioneering UN strategic reform initiatives such as the establishment of the [Delivering as One] initiative in Tanzania and the development of standard operating procedures for the reform of the entire UN system. He was part of the UN Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on the reform of the entire UN system to ensure effective sustainable development.

Previously, he was Deputy Executive Secretary and Director of Operations of the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), a position with great responsibility for the coordination and management of large-scale development finance programmes, microfinance, infrastructure development, and local governance that led him to actively participate in inter-agency negotiations around the world.

Albéric Kacou is also a consultant in the fields of Governance, Human Resources, Development and Consulting. In this capacity, he developed the conceptual approach, provided leadership, strategic support, advice in the negotiation and development of partnerships for the 1st FIFA Colloquium on Women's Football in June 2019.

Albéric Kacou holds a PhD in mechanical engineering from the University of Pittsburgh, USA, where he was a lecturer before joining the United Nations.