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Assistant Secretary General - Macroeconomics, Development Finance and Intra-ACP Programming - Mr. Henrique BANZE

Mr. Henrique Alberto Banze has served as a Deputy Minister for more than 15 years in two of the key ministries in the Government of Mozambique, namely the Ministry of National Defense (2000-2004) as well as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (2005-2015). As Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs he was responsible for ACP matters and Mozambique-EU cooperation, making significant contributions in implementing projects under the 8th European Development Fund (EDF) and planning and programming the 9th, 10th, and 11th EDF. [Read more](#) ^[1]



Assistant Secretary General - Sustainable Economic Development and Trade - Mr Viwanou GNASSOUNOU

Mr. Gilles Patrick A. Viwanou Gnassounou, from Togo, is an economist, financial expert and project manager with 17 years of experience in agricultural and natural resource policy formulation, aid programming, sectoral commodity export strategies, and trade. Before joining the ACP Management Team, he was co-manager of a Consulting firm, which provides support in the areas of development policies. He also set up and managed an agricultural products industrial processing company based in Togo. [Read more](#) ^[2]



Assistant Secretary General - Administration, Finance and Human Resources - Mr. Georges MANIURI

Mr. Georges Singana Maniuri brings to his post a significant and highly accomplished career as an experienced public official, having served at the highest level of Vanuatu's civil service for 17 years. He has been Director General of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Management of the Republic of Vanuatu since 2008, holding the same position at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation from 2005-2008 and also at the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Tourism from 1998 to 2005. [Read more](#) ^[3]



Assistant Secretary General - Political Affairs and Human Development - Amb. Léonard-Emile

OGNIMBA

Amb. Leonard-Emile Ognimba is a high experienced diplomat and expert in international political affairs. Before his appointment to the ACP, he was Ambassador of the Republic of Congo to South Africa (from October 2012). Having launched his career at the Congo's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, he joined the Organisation of the African Union (OAU) in 1984, ultimately serving as Head of Humanitarian Affairs, Refugees and Displaced Persons. Subsequently, he spent eight years (2004-2012) as Director for Political Affairs at the AU Commission. [Read more](#) ^[4]

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