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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

A senior corporate affairs and external relations executive with over two decades across energy infrastructure, financial services, and public-sector governance in West Africa. Leads external engagement, stakeholder management, social investment, and ESG strategy for a cross-border energy enterprise, and advises organisations on corporate relations and social licence through his own consultancy.

Increasingly distinguished by pairing that domain authority with applied artificial intelligence and systems building: he designs and develops digital tools and platforms that turn complex stakeholder, risk, and governance problems into working instruments. Fluent in English, Yoruba, and French, and the author of a book on corporate relations in African oil and gas.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- External relations and government affairs across federal, state, and local tiers
- Stakeholder engagement and community relations
- Corporate communications and reputation management
- CSR, social investment, and ESG strategy
- Asset-integrity and right-of-way liaison in energy infrastructure
- Public-sector partnerships and investment promotion
- Applied AI and the design and build of decision-support tools and platforms
- Research, writing, documentation, and training

SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Built an investment portfolio exceeding US\$10 billion** over three years in a state commerce-and-industry role.
- **Midwifed the OGSG-BOI ₦1 billion Industrial Development Fund** for small and medium enterprises in Ogun State.
- **Drove the approved establishment of three industrial parks** and the State One-Stop Shop, and reactivated the State Mineral Resources and Environmental Management Committee (MIREMCO).
- **Pioneered and built the CSR framework and portfolio** of a major commercial bank as its first dedicated corporate-affairs hire.
- **Singlehandedly executed a flagship Adopt-a-School pilot**, rebuilding a public primary and secondary school in Lagos.

DIGITAL AND AI-ENABLED SYSTEMS

Designs and builds AI-enabled digital tools and platforms that translate complex stakeholder, risk, and governance problems into usable instruments. Recent work spans a community-conflict vulnerability assessment index, decision-support and diagnostic applications, executive and organisational web platforms, geospatial and data-mapping tools, and ESG and regulatory-compliance reporting models, each carried from concept to working product with modern AI tooling. The pairing is uncommon: two decades of external-relations and ESG practice alongside genuine, hands-on product development.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder and Principal

to date

ICrisp Consult Limited (concurrent)

- Advises energy, industrial, government, and financial-sector clients on sustainability, social investment, corporate relations, and stakeholder strategy, with a pan-African horizon.
 - Develops diagnostic and decision-support tools that operationalise social-licence and ESG thinking for boards and management.
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Country Head, External Relations

May 2015 to date

West African Gas Pipeline Company Limited

- Designs, implements, and manages the company's external relations policy in Nigeria, and opens commercial pathways across its operating environment.
- Manages relationships with government at federal, state, and local levels, and with all communities along the pipeline corridor.
- Holds responsibility for the integrity of the onshore right of way.
- Leads all corporate social investment in Nigeria, including the scholarship programme and the Community Youth Enterprise Scheme, and shapes corporate image and public perception.

Special Assistant to the Executive Governor

Aug 2011 to May 2015

Ogun State Government · Commerce and Industry

- Helped create an enabling policy environment for commerce and industry across the state.
- Coordinated engagement with the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment and with development partners including GIZ, SMEDAN, MAN, and NACCIMA.
- Drove the approved establishment of three industrial parks and the State One-Stop Shop, and represented the state's interest in the Technology Incubation Centre, Abeokuta.
- Built an investment portfolio exceeding US\$10 billion over three years.

Public Sector, Corporate Affairs and Executive Support roles

Mar 2008 to Aug 2011

Stanbic IBTC Bank Plc, Lagos

- As pioneer staff in Corporate Affairs, created the CSR framework, programmes, and processes that established the bank's social-investment presence in Nigeria.
- Coordinated the public-sector franchise and stakeholder engagement across government ministries, departments, and agencies, with reporting to the Standard Bank Group.

Roles held: Business Manager, Public Sector; Corporate Affairs and Corporate Social Investments Executive; Executive Assistant to the Country Head, Branch Network and Distribution.

Earlier experience

Human Resource Manager, Innovative Solutions, Lagos (2007)

Abuja Bureau Chief, Shelter Communications Ltd. (2006)

Producer and Presenter, NTA Gusau, Zamfara (2005 to 2006)

COO and Human Resource Coordinator, Issachar Holdings Ltd., Abeokuta (2004)

Public Relations Officer, Blueprint Studios, Abeokuta (2003 to 2004)

EDUCATION

B.A. (Hons) European Studies, French (Second Class Honours)

2005

University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria

APPLIED AI AND DIGITAL CAPABILITY

Certified in the applied use of leading AI platforms, including ChatGPT, Claude, Gemini, Jasper, Lovable, and Midjourney, with practical application to research, writing, content development, rapid prototyping, and the building of digital tools. Proficient across Microsoft Office and online collaboration environments.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Personal Effectiveness and Administrative Competence (Westlake Consultants) · Positioning the 21st-Century Corporation Through Sustainability (CSR International / Trucontact) · Core Banking (Stanbic IBTC) · Effective Customer Service · Communication in the Workplace · Business Etiquette.

PUBLICATION

Sodeinde, T. F. *Corporate Relations in the Oil and Gas Sector in Africa: Deconstructing Failures, Forging Integration.*

LANGUAGES AND INTERESTS

Languages: English, Yoruba, and French (fluent). **Interests:** tennis, golf, and community development.

Referees available on request.