

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

NAME Samia Yaba Nkrumah
DATE OF BIRTH 23 June 1960
NATIONALITY Ghanaian
MARITAL STATUS Married with one child

EDUCATION

Master in Area Studies (Middle East), Comparative Politics of Contemporary Middle East; Social and Political Dimensions in Modern Arabic Literature, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, 1993

Bachelor Arabic Studies, SOAS, 1991

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Consultant - International Relations for Africa with the International Virtual University UNINETTUNO based in Rome, October 2007 – present
Responsibilities include coordinating joint e-Learning educational programmes between UNINETTUNO and universities and higher education institutions, including vocational training, within the ACP region.

Students Activities coordinator, University of Arkansas Rome Center 2005 – October 2007

Responsibilities include coordinating logistics and activities for programme as well as overseeing its day-to-day functioning; conducting orientation workshops; student counseling and monitoring; submitting fiscal reports to programme director; liaising with study abroad office at university headquarters in Arkansas.

Freelance journalist based in Rome from 1998 to present covering events in Italy of special relevance to the Middle East and Africa with:-

- *Al-Ahram Weekly*, an English-language Egyptian paper
- Italian national news agency ANSA (English Desk)

Advisor with the Permanent Secretariat of the Noble Prize for Peace in Rome, January 2007 till present

Middle East page editor with *Al-Ahram Weekly* newspaper based in Cairo, Egypt, from 1996 to 1997

Responsibilities included choosing and organizing articles for Middle East region section; regular travel assignments within the Middle East.

Reporter with *Al-Ahram Weekly* from 1994 to 1996.

Press Officer with the Embassy of Qatar, London, from 1992 to 1994.

Stringer for *Al-Ahram* newspaper's London bureau, from 1990 to 1992.

Co-assistant to Bureau Chief, *Al-Ahram* London bureau from 1989 to 1990.

Bank Clerk/Officer, Bank of India, London Branch, from 1984 to 1988.

SELECTED INVITED LECTURES

The Legacy of Kwame Nkrumah's
St. Johns University in Rome, October 2007

Notes on Pan-Africanism and the African Diaspora
University of Bologna, Bologna, October 2007

Keynote address: Relevance of Ghana's 50th anniversary of independence
On occasion of Africa Awareness Week, April 2007
Morehouse College, Atlanta, April 2007

Ghana and the African Diaspora
Conference on Decentralized Cooperation within the scope of
Italia-Africa week 2007 with special focus on Ghana@50
Capitol Hill, Seat of Rome City Council, Rome, May 2007

The African Diaspora in Italy
Istituto Italiano per l'Africa e l'Oriente
(Italian Institute for Africa and the Middle East) May, 2006

Notes on African-Arab Relations
Istituto Italiano per l'Africa e l'Oriente, January 2005

Nkrumah and Amilcar Cabral
On the 32nd anniversary of Cabral's assassination hosted
by *Tabanka*, a Capo Verdian Association in Italy at the Rome City Council,
Rome, 2005

AWARDS

The 2006 Napoli Foundation-European Parliament International
Journalism Award on the theme of "Immigration and Friendship among
Populations", Naples, Italy.

Ghana Jubilee Role Model Award – December 2007 Rome

ASSOCIATIONS - Africa Must Unite (Promoting Kwame Nkrumah's vision and political culture)

- *Il Movimento degli Africani in Italia* (Association of African Immigrants
in Italy)

- Immigrants group working towards integration and improvement in immigrants conditions
- *Nyeleti* (African women's association in Rome)

LANGUAGES

English, Arabic, Italian