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PROFILE

Geopolitical risk researcher and intelligence analyst with field experience in fragile state operations and native Arabic and French fluency. Specialist in OSINT, multilingual open-source monitoring, adverse media research, and due diligence reporting across MENA and Francophone Sub-Saharan Africa. Experienced in producing time-pressured intelligence outputs, monitoring political and security developments across Arabic, French, and English information environments, and distilling complex findings from multilingual primary sources into concise, actionable reporting for operational decision-makers.

CORE COMPETENCIES

OSINT & adverse media research • Due diligence & reputational risk assessment • Sanctions & beneficial ownership analysis

Political & country risk analysis: MENA, Francophone Sub-Saharan Africa • Climate finance & energy transition intelligence

Multilingual research: Arabic (native) • French (full professional fluency) • English (full professional fluency)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Intelligence & Due Diligence Analyst Intern

KardaTech • Remote, London • December 2025 – present

- Conducted OSINT and multilingual open-source research across Arabic, French, and English information environments to monitor political, regulatory, and market risk developments across Morocco, MENA, and Francophone Africa, producing structured intelligence briefs informing partner screening and operational decision-making.
- Produced regulatory and market intelligence outputs tracking policy developments, compliance landscape shifts, and emerging risk indicators across target markets, applying risk-rating logic to prioritise findings for senior stakeholders.
- Applying OSINT, multilingual research, and geopolitical risk analysis methods to support KardaTech's partner and market-screening process across Morocco, MENA, and Francophone Africa.
- Contributing to investor-facing materials positioning KardaTech's K-NET platform as a data, compliance, and bankability layer for decentralised solar assets.
- Contributed to due diligence workflows assessing counterparty credibility, regulatory exposure, and reputational risk, applying structured analytical frameworks to identify and escalate risk indicators with clear evidentiary grounding.

Programme & Research Assistant (Internship)

International Organization for Migration (IOM) • Bujumbura, Burundi • July – December 2025

- Conducted OSINT and multilingual primary source research (Arabic, French, English) to monitor political, security, and regulatory developments in a fragile operating environment, producing structured risk assessments that informed programme delivery and stakeholder decision-making.
- Produced analytical briefs synthesising open-source intelligence and incident data under tight operational deadlines, applying risk-rating logic to identify and prioritise reputational, political, and regulatory exposures.
- Maintained in-country HUMINT source networks in politically sensitive contexts, collecting information not available via open sources while adhering to strict information-handling and documentation protocols.
- Identified and escalated reputational and regulatory risks affecting institutional exposure, distilling complex findings into clear, concise outputs for senior decision-makers.
- Completed MA dissertation concurrently under severely limited connectivity, demonstrating resilience and capacity to deliver high-quality analytical outputs under operational constraints.

Assistant, Communications Department

House of Representatives, Parliament of Morocco • Rabat, Morocco • May – August 2024

- Drafted official communications and conducted policy research in a high-stakes institutional environment, developing structured writing and information synthesis skills.
- Monitored media coverage and managed journalist inquiries, building familiarity with reputational risk and public narrative tracking.

Radio Reporter

Radio Chaîne Inter (English Department) • Rabat, Morocco • August – October 2023

- Reported on the 2023 Al Haouz earthquake; conducted rapid open-source and field research, validated sources under editorial deadline pressure, and delivered live broadcast segments for national and international audiences.

EDUCATION

MA Diplomacy & Global Politics 2024–2025

University of Westminster, London, UK • **Awarded with Distinction**

Dissertation: *Constructing Insecurity: Western Energy Diplomacy and the Militarization of the Middle East — A Case Study of Saudi Arabia and Iran*

13,000-word project examining sanctions regimes, arms transfers, and rentier authoritarianism using SIPRI and IEA data and Arabic primary sources. Includes scenario probability matrices and structured risk assessment methodology.

Key modules: Political Economy of Energy Security • Sanctions & Foreign Policy Instruments • Geopolitical Risk & State Fragility • Middle East Political Economy

BA Journalism & Communications 2021–2024

Institut Supérieur de l'Information et de la Communication, Rabat, Morocco

Dissertation: *Le Discours de Guerre sur Gaza: Le Journalisme en Action*

Comparative discourse analysis of Al Jazeera and The Jerusalem Post during the 2023 Gaza conflict. Developed investigative research, multilingual source validation, and critical media analysis skills.

SKILLS & TOOLS

Languages: Arabic (native) • French (full professional fluency) • English (full professional fluency)

Research & intelligence: OSINT methodologies • adverse media & database research • HUMINT source management • social media intelligence • open-source registers and archives

Technical: Microsoft Excel (structured datasets, data analysis) • PowerPoint • Word