

## Lazare KI-ZERBO



Lazare KI-ZERBO attended a military college in Senegal and earned his Ph.D in Phenomenology (Social Ontology) at the University of Poitiers (1994), after doing research at the Husserl Archives in Paris (*Ecole Normale Supérieure*, rue d'Ulm). He is a founding member of the Steering Committee for Federalism in Africa (Paris, 1988) and of the Movement of Intellectuals in Burkina faso launched in a context of human rights activism and struggle against impunity. He was program officer in the Centre of Studies for African Development created in 1980 by the late Professor Joseph Ki-Zerbo in Burkina Faso. He conceived the multimedia program *Africa's Histories*, which gave birth to the film on the burkinabe historian, *Joseph Ki-Zerbo: from identities to panafrican identity*, by Dani Kouyaté. The film received WAEMU (West African Monetary Union) Award at FESPACO (*Festival panafricain du cinema de Ouagadougou*/Panafrican Film Festival of Ouagadougou) in 2005. The program includes also the publication of *Benchmarks for Africa* in co-publication with Panafrika Publishing House in Dakar. Dr. Lazare has edited two books: *Studies on geography from below in Africa*, CODESRIA (Council for the Development of Social Sciences Research in Africa), 2004; *The panafricanist Movement in the 20th century*, OIF (*Organisation internationale de la francophonie*), Paris, 2006. He is currently Executive Secretary of the International Joseph Ki-Zerbo Committee.