## Mr. Alvin G. Johnson, Director, Governance and Institutional Development Department

Alvin G. Johnson was appointed Director of the Governance and Institutional Development Department effective January 1, 2020. Earlier, He served as Director of the Research Department prior to his recent appointment. He earned his MSc. (Merit) in International Management from the University of Liverpool in 2015; MA in Economic Policy Management from the University of Ghana in 2006 and BSc. (Cum Laude) in Economics from the University of Liberia in 2001. He has attended several international and regional training courses, workshops and seminars organized by the IMF, Joint Africa Institute, and WAIFEM, among others on macroeconomic and financial sector management, international trade, and balance of payments compilation. Mr. Johnson joined the Research Department, Central Bank of Liberia in 2001 as a Junior Analyst and rose through the ranks to the position of Economist/Head in the Balance of Payments Section. In 2009, He was appointed as Director for Tax Policy and Planning at the Ministry of Finance and was responsible to conduct fiscal policy research, revenue impact analysis, as well as develop tax reforms aimed at improving taxation and revenue administration in Liberia. He joined WAIFEM in 2011 and served as Senior Research Manager and Director of Research up to his recent appointment as Director of the Governance and Institutional Development Department. Prior to joining WAIFEM, Mr. Johnson also lectured Economics (Intermediate Level) on a part-time basis at the University of Liberia and the Stella Maris Polytechnic between 2007 and 2011. His area of interest includes poverty reduction, international trade policy, capital flows and economic growth and development. Mr. Johnson is married with four children. Email: ajohnson@waifem-cbp.org