

## Document Citation

Title	<b>Head in the clouds</b>
Author(s)	
Source	<i>Cinematheque Ontario/a division of Toronto International Film Festival Group</i>
Date	2005 Jun
Type	program note
Language	English
Pagination	
No. of Pages	1
Subjects	
Film Subjects	La tête dans les nuages (Head in the clouds), Teno, Jean-Marie, 1994



## **HEAD IN THE CLOUDS**

(LA TÊTE DANS LES NUAGES)

Director: Jean-Marie Teno

Cameroon 1994 34 minutes video

*Cinematheque  
Ontario, June 2005*

Teno investigates the ties between unaccountable government and an unproductive economy in LA TÊTE DANS LES NUAGES. Kleptocracy has become an accepted fact of Cameroonian life described by the proverb: "The goat grazes where it is tied." The government controlled formal sector, like its colonial predecessor, is essentially parasitical. . . . Cameroon's bifurcated economy is also reflected in its schizophrenic education system. Cameroonians flock to the universities to acquire a neo-colonial education which ill-prepares them for the actual needs of the local economy. . . . Teno concludes that Cameroon's economy is like a man with his feet in trash and his head in the clouds with nothing but chaos in between. – California Newsreel