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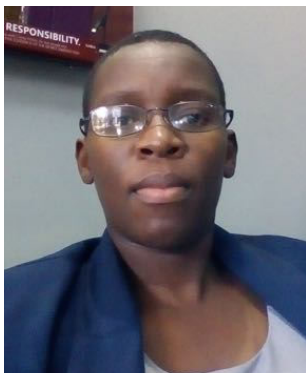
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Ms. H. Susan Atim, is a graduate with a BA in Social Sciences (Major in International Relations) & Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development. She is a Program Assistant for the Information Sharing and Networking Program at Women of Uganda Network (WOUGNET) and has great interest in technology, especially in how it can be used to address societal issues. Ms. Atim is also interested in how communities and nations relate in various spaces and in particular how women are included in them. She is also keen on exploring how women and women rights advocates can maximize on opportunities that can tool and equip them to aid their various roles including those as informants and change agents. A great part of Ms. Atim's work includes; information dissemination and policy advocacy that extends to analysis of national laws and policies which govern the ICT sector including the internet, and how these may affect and can benefit women. She is currently, part of the WOUGNET team working on two major projects both in their second phase and which seek to engage policy makers in policy and law review intended activities.



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Kola Egbeyemi works with a leading Telecom Operator in Nigeria providing broadband internet and leased line connectivity services within and outside Nigeria. He holds an MSc in Telecommunication Technology (Aston University Birmingham UK) and B.Eng in Electrical/Electronics engineering (Federal University of Agriculture Abeokuta). Kola's work experience in ISP, Telecoms spans various technologies like VSAT, fiber, microwave etc. He is currently interested in ideas and policies to help drive internet affordability, broadband penetration and net neutrality in Africa. He enjoys travelling and reading in his spare time.



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Kuda Hove is a practising lawyer and Internet policy researcher based in Zimbabwe. His research interests focus on the effects that Internet policies have on fundamental rights, especially the right to Privacy. His current research project examines the nature and extent to which children's right to online privacy is promoted and protected in developing countries such as Zimbabwe.



Jimmy Kainja is a lecturer in media, communication and cultural studies at Chancellor College, University of Malawi. His main areas of interest are new media and new technologies, journalism and freedom of expression. Before joining University of Malawi, Kainja taught media studies and sociology at London Metropolitan University. Kainja holds Master by Research (MRes) Media and Communication; and Bachelor of Social Science (BSc) in Media Studies, both from London Metropolitan University. Kainja is also a current affairs writer and blogger and a member of Africa Blogging, which he co-edits. Kainja has written for various international media organisations including BBC, The Guardian, New African and his blogs are often republished by the local media. He has contributed to various international policy and research papers such as CIPESSE's State of Internet Freedom, 2017 and Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) Regional Consultations on on Draft Guidelines on the Effective Implementation of the Right to Participate in Public Affairs.



Chipo Kaitisha is a Law Enforcement Officer working under the Public Relations Department of the Zambia Police Service. During her 17 years working experience, she has worked under various departments and her passion for humanity, Chipo has extensively dealt with Gender Based Violence cases and undertook a lot of capacity building programmes to help enlighten the women on the need to report cases when they are abused. Chipo holds a Bachelor of Arts in Education from the University of Zambia"



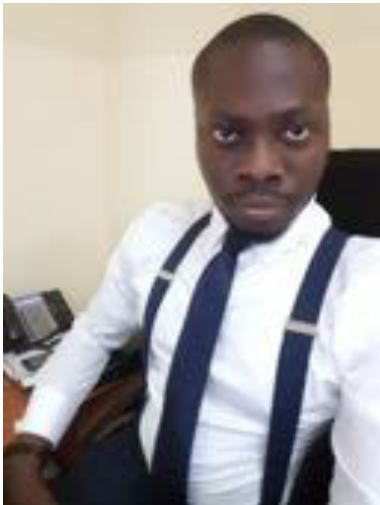
Demba Kandeh is a lecturer at the School of Journalism & Digital Media, University of The Gambia. He is a graduate of the Erasmus Mundus Master in Journalism, Media and Globalisation at Aarhus University in Denmark and University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands. He has about a decade experience in journalism and media and has written extensively about politics, human rights, internet freedom, and social media, among others. Demba is The Gambia analyst and regular contributor to the global annual Freedom on the Net report published by Freedom House.



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Angela Minayo Kidiavai is a finalist fourth year student at Moi University School of Law Eldoret, Kenya. Angela started being involved in Internet governance issues after representing Moi University in the International rounds of the Price Media Moot Court Competition, 2017 held at the Oxford University. She has also participated in the All Africa Human and Peoples' Rights Moot Court Competition in October 2016, in Pretoria South Africa. She was awarded the Google Policy Fellowship in September 2017 and currently works as a policy fellow at at ARTICLE 19 Eastern Africa. She has also attended the African School of Internet Governance, 2017 edition which was held in Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt from 28 November 2017 to 2 December 2017. Angela has also attended the 2017 6th African Internet Governance Forum as well as the Global Internet Governance Forum in Geneva Switzerland. Angela's interests in internet governance focuses on the role of technology companies and their human rights obligation to users, internet access to rural areas in Africa and the way the internet has disrupted national and international law. She hopes that knowledge gained during the Workshop will enable her to influence evidence-based internet law and policy in the African continent.



Temitope Lawal is a Senior Officer in the Legal and Regulatory Services Department of the Nigerian Communications Commission, the country's independent regulator of Communication Services. Prior to this, he worked as an Associate in Banwo & Ighodalo, one of Nigeria's largest law firms. He holds a Masters Degree in Computer and Communications Law from the prestigious Queen Mary, University of London and is an Alumnus of the Annenberg-Oxford Media Policy Summer Institute. His areas of interest include telecommunications, internet regulation, new media technologies, and online privacy.



Frederico Links is a Namibian journalist, editor and researcher. He has been a research associate with Namibia's leading think-tank, the Institute for Public Policy Research, since 2009. In his research he has focused on democracy and elections, party political finance, empowerment policies, internet governance, and public procurement. He has previously worked as a journalist for a range of Namibian newspapers and is a former editor of Insight Namibia magazine. He is the current chairperson of the ACTION Coalition, which campaigns for greater access to information in Namibia. He is also the chairperson of the Namibia Internet Governance Forum and a board member of the Internet Society (ISOC) Namibia chapter.



Wairimu Macharia is a Nufic Fellow, a Young Diplomats Fellow and a Data4Change alumnus. She is an experienced digital professional with a track record of successfully leading digital strategy and complex projects for various clients including a Professional Services Firm, a Government body and SMEs. Currently, she oversees management of all digital properties including content for the Afrobarometer network across Africa. She has great interest in issues pertaining to internet freedom, internet governance and net neutrality and has been instrumental in communicating citizen's perceptions in Africa on a number of issues ranging from governance, democracy, human rights, economy and media freedom among others. She enjoys travelling and makes it her mission to do so intrepidly by visiting at least 3 new countries every year!



Priscilla Maliwichi is from Malawi, working as a Lecturer in Information Technology and former Head of Computer Science and Information Technology at Malawi University of Science and Technology. She is currently a PhD student in Information Systems at the University of Cape Town, South Africa. As a certified Linux Systems Administrator, she has worked a lot as an advocate for the use of Free and Open Source Software. She has also organised a lot of events, trainings and campaigns for the use of free and Open Source Software. Currently, she is a regional ambassador for Technovation Challenge in Malawi and has organised a lot of outreach programs to encourage girls to participate in this program and to train them on how they can develop mobile application and become tech-entrepreneurs.



Aretha Mare is a postgraduate student in Science and Technology Policy at the Science Policy Research Unit (SPRU) at University of Sussex, England. A TechWomen Fellow, she is passionate about women empowerment in STEM and Innovation, and would like to see more women and girls actively participate in the digital space. She founded Techwomen Zimbabwe to fuel female-led technology innovations. She is also Co-founder of Impact Hub Harare, where they work towards strengthening the entrepreneurial ecosystem in Zimbabwe. Her research interests are in understanding contemporary security challenges particularly, the relationship between Internet privacy and security issues, Innovation and Women's ICT Uptake.



Yolanda Mlonzi is the co-founder of Southern African Emerging Leaders in Internet Governance (SAELIG), she a vibrant and motivated young woman in the field of Internet governance and communications. She started off her career in Internet governance as a Google Policy Fellow and was hosted at the Association for Progressive Communications (APC). Yolanda is an executive board member of the Internet Society Gauteng chapter. She was selected as part of the 2016 Internet Society Ambassadors to the global Internet Governance Forum and was selected to form part of the Youth@IGF Internet Society 2017 Programme. She also participated at the 2017 Communications Policy Research Youth Scholar in Myanmar. As a result, she has been selected to be the Research ICT Africa fellow to the 2017 global IGF in Geneva. Yolanda has been a speaker at the last South Africa IG, a resource person for the African School on Internet Governance (3rd & 4th editions) and is currently involved in a number of IG processes. She is a published author for the Global Information Society Watch Report of 2017 where she wrote an article on the internet governance landscape in South Africa. Yolanda holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree in International Relations and Media Studies from Witwatersrand University (Wits), where she was awarded the Wits Postgraduate Merit Award and conducted a short research study which focused on the growing politicization of intelligence services in constitutional democracies like South Africa.



Francis Monyango is a trained lawyer currently working as a research assistant at the Centre for Intellectual Property and Information Technology law (CIPIT), Strathmore University. He is passionate about internet governance and has worked on several ICT policy research projects for CIPIT, KICTANET and CIPESA. In addition to researching, he is a writer and regular

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Natasha Msonza is a privacy advocate and digital security trainer. She is Co-Founder of the Digital Society of Zimbabwe (DSZ), a distributed network of technologists whose mandate is to empower Zimbabwean activists, human rights defenders and everyday Internet users to become more resilient and secure in their use of digital tools online and offline. Natasha has undertaken research and produced two Zimbabwe State of Internet Freedom Reports commissioned by CIPESA. She is currently Head of Policy within ISOC Zimbabwe Chapter. She can be followed on twitter @NatashaMsonza



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Blaise Ndola is a 25 years old youth and Congolese by nationality. He has degree in International Relations and certificates in communication, civic leadership, data management as well as in several other disciplines related to internet and communication. He is working as a coordinator of the ICT program within Rudi International and at the same time as an independent consultant in communication for local companies and International NGOs. His daily tasks at Rudi International can be summed up in the design and / or execution of ICT research, education and training projects.



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Jean Paul Nkurunziza, from Burundi, has a Bachelor degree (+1) in Education Sciences from the University of Burundi. Since March 2007, he has been involved in the field of Internet Governance, where he took part in different capacity building programmes on behalf of DiploFoundation and Internet Society as an online lecturer. In 2010, he worked as a fellow at the United Nations Internet Governance Forum Secretariat during six months. Since 2013, he has done research in the domain of Internet Freedoms in Burundi for CIPESA, Small Media Foundation, and Internews. Beside the consultancy works (capacity building in Internet Governance and research on Internet Freedoms), he has been involved in voluntary work in local non for profit organisations : Burundi Youth Training Centre (BYTC) since 2000, and the Burundian Chapter of Internet Society since 2007.
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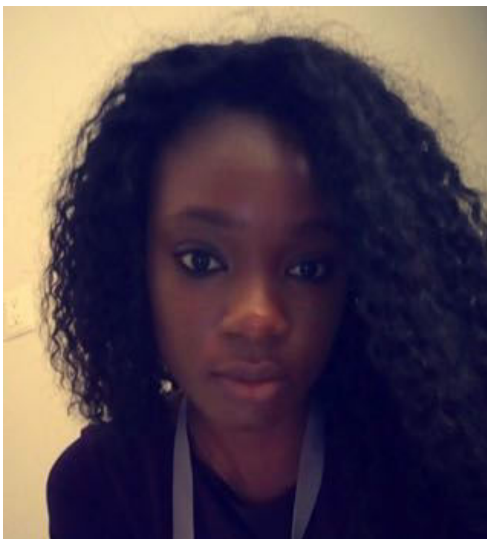


Christine Nzambi is an Advocate currently serving in the Office of the Attorney General. She is a member of various professional bodies including the Law society of Kenya and an Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators both in Kenya and the UK and the Commonwealth Association of Legislative Counsel. She is dedicated to the courses she believes in and remains motivated to pursue them to their logical conclusions. One such area is the pursuit of learning, which an opportunity such as this institute presents, , and thereafter, enable her to give back to society through her work in the public service.



Jennifer Joel has 10 years' experience in the nonprofit sector and academia, focusing on policy-centered research. Her expertise includes governance, energy, climate adaptation, urbanization and more recently use of mobile and digital technology for research and design of innovations that support development outcomes. Jennifer has experience working on projects for Habitat for Humanity, the Open Society Foundations, IDRC, DFID, USAID, EU and public sector agencies in Nigeria. Within the private sector, Jennifer has experience working on CSR and for ISPs within the Nigerian telecommunications industry.

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Bonface Witaba is multi-disciplinary ICT professional, with a background that includes experience working in: digital inclusion, Internet governance, citizen journalism, and policy research. He holds a BSc. IT (Hons) degree from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, advanced certifications in: Internet Governance, E-participation, Communication, Project Management and Public Policy Research. He currently works as a Research, Training and Innovations Manager at Centre for Youth Empowerment and Leadership (CYEL), an organization whose mission is to create the next generation of Internet Governance leaders through capacity building, outreach and research. Additionally, he works as a Research Consultant for iHub, East Africa's leading innovation space for technologists and Internet activists. He is also a pioneer of ICANNWiki Swahili, a non-profit encyclopedic website that seeks to translate ICANN and Internet Governance related content into Swahili for the 150 million Swahili speakers in East Africa. The overarching aim is to help connect the Next 1 Billion of Internet users through local content. He is also a writer with Geneva Internet Platform (GIP) Digital Watch observatory, a Swiss based Internet Governance and Digital Policy Magazine.



Evelyne Wanjiku is a gender and development student at Kenyatta university, Kenya. Her interests in the internet relates to how it can be used for the development and advancement of the gender equality and equity agenda. She is particularly interested in how women use the internet and the obstacles they face online as they participate in development agendas. These obstacles include gender based aggression which is my main area of research. She is interested in finding out ways in which women are harassed online, for what reasons and by whom. She is also keen on finding solutions to such acts of aggression. She is taking part in this workshop to find new skills of researching online behaviour and to learn about effective internet policies from across the region.