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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Emerging technology harms and policy researcher interested in the impact of Artificial Intelligence and Immersive technologies (VR, AR, MR, XR, haptic) on social justice and gender and social equality and the beneficial development of these technologies.

EDUCATION

Horizon Centre for Doctoral Training University of Nottingham
PhD in Digital Economy   **October 2022 - present**

Nigerian Law School
Qualifying Certificate   **November 2019**

University of Benin   **LLB**
Bachelor of Laws   **August 2018**
  ● Second Class Upper Division

WORK EXPERIENCE

Pollicy, Kampala, Uganda
Researcher, Data and Digital Rights   **July 2021 - Present**
Research Fellow   **February 2021 – July 2021**
  ● Supervised Pollicy's African Women in Artificial Intelligence three-part report and project launch, with over 100 registrations.
  ● Conducted research and collated findings and co-created reports on legal and feminist digital rights and practices in Africa.
  ● Solely and jointly represented Pollicy at online conferences presenting on research related to technology-facilitated violence.
  ● Led African

Responsible Data Governance and AI, Leicester, United Kingdom
Research Assistant   **April 2021 - Present**
  ● Assessed and identified AI health start-ups in Africa and their understanding of data protection regulation.
  ● Organised and coordinated stakeholders for Focus Group interview sessions on the responsible use of data by startups.
  ● Conducted doctrinal analysis and wrote literature review of health strategies, legislation and data regulation laws in Central, East and Southern Africa.

The Future Society, Boston, Massachusetts, United States
Affiliate   **April 2021 - Present**

- Consulted on topics related to responsible and ethical considerations for AI deployment and integration in Africa and Nigeria.
- Participated in group and panel discussions on emerging policy directions for the organisation's resource optimisation and growth direction.
- Worked with fellow affiliates and group leaders to develop national AI strategies for select African countries.

Ethical Intelligence, Scotland, United Kingdom
Content Writer   **February 2021 – Present**
- Produced content for online publication on AI ethics and regulation, reaching a readership of upwards of 100 engaged thought leaders in the AI and tech ecosystem.
- Communicated and cooperated with the content creation team, including the R&D manager and editors, to deliver seven articles that helped deliver on the organisation's strategic goals.
- Exposure to commercial pursuits bridging the gap between cutting edge industry research and academic research to invigorate problematic areas arising in AI ethics.

African Data Governance Initiative, Nigeria
Research Associate   **July 2020 – Present**
- Conducted and participated in focus group discussions on the perception of data protection regulation in Nigeria.
- Transcribed focus group discussion sessions for further research analysis.
- Prepared and disseminated surveys and questionnaires on data protection online through social media.
- Summarised and prepared blog publication of proceedings of multistakeholder online workshop on the challenges and opportunities of the proposed National Data Protection Regulation.

Tech Hive Advisory, Lagos, Nigeria
Research Associate   **February 2021 - April 2021**
Research Assistant   **June 2020 – February 2021**
- Edited and reviewed reports and presentations on internet and data regulation and developments for group publication.
- Recommended legislative and ethical innovations to policy stakeholders on internet and data regulation.
- Published a Working Paper on Telemedicine and Artificial Intelligence to increase awareness on AI in Africa.
- Prepared email updates on tech policy activities in Africa and monthly reports tracking tech policies, regulations and laws.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

IEEE Working Group P3119 AI Public Procurement Standard
Participant   **June 2021 - Present**
- Participated in community editing of Working Group proposal
- Collaborated in designing and scheduling of meeting agenda

Lighthouse3 Working Group on Algorithmic Auditing
Participant   **February 2021 – March 2021**
- Collated and researched academic and non-academic resources on the subject area.
- Interviewed industry stakeholders applying algorithmic solutions to products.
- Contributed to the ongoing development of the Algorithmic Auditing framework.

FIDA-Ekiti (International Federation of Women Lawyers)
Volunteer Legal Officer   **January 2020 – August 2020**
- Conducted legal interviews with indigent women seeking legal assistance from FIDA.
- Preparation of memoranda reporting activities held at outreaches and meetings.
- Participated in outreaches campaigning against gender-based violence at public schools.
- Successfully sought police assistance in 2 cases on behalf of victims of domestic violence and represented FIDA in an observer role at the Magistrate Court.
- Maintained case reports, office diary and client report inventory at FIDA office.

The Woman and Child Support Network
Monitoring and Evaluation Officer   **January 2019 – August 2019**
- Conducted Interviews for outreach participants.
- Monitored and evaluated outreach activities.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS
- Excellent research and writing skills evidenced by publications record.
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office Suite.
- Experienced with working under tight deadlines.
- Excellent English oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.

HONORS & AWARDS

20 Rising Stars in AI Ethics, *Women in AI Ethics*	December 2021
35 under 35 Future Leaders List, *Santander-CIDOB*	November 2021
Leadership Award, *Legal Aid Community Development Service*	July 2020
Stewardship Award, *All Saints Youth Fellowship*	November 2018
Writer of the Month, *Naija Woman Magazine*	March - April 2018

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

2019	Vice-President of Legal Aid Community Development Service
2018	Copy Editor of Naija Woman Magazine

2016   Library Unit Coordinator, All Saints Youth Fellowship

2015   Library Unit Coordinator, All Saints Youth Fellowship

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- NBA (Nigerian Bar Association)
- FIDA (International Federation of Women Lawyers)
- WiCys (Women in Cyber Security)

PUBLICATIONS AND APPEARANCES

- "The Use of Gendered Chatbots in Nigeria: Critical Perspectives" (book chapter) in Responsible AI in Africa: Challenges and Opportunities. (ed) Damian Eke. (forthcoming)
- "Pivots, Perseverances & Pleasures." Pollicy, 2022. Favour Borokini, Bonnita Nyamwire, Neema Iyer, Meital Kupfer. https://bit.ly/3Skc7rb
- "Nigeria's Digital Identification (ID) Management Program: Ethical, Legal and Socio-Cultural concerns" (Journal Article) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrt.2022.100039
- "AI And Nigeria: Exploring Threats To Human Rights." AI Ethics; Global Perspectives Course. The GovLab. https://bit.ly/3sk8VjI
- "Encoded Biases & Future Imaginaries." Pollicy, 2022. Favour Borokini, Bonnita Nyamwire, Garnett Achieng', Neema Iyer. https://bit.ly/35tJqEE
- "Fake AI, pseudoscience, snake oil and hype" (book launch). *Oxford Internet Institute*, 24 February, 2022. https://bit.ly/3II0tBi
- "Roundtable on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence" (webinar). *UNESCO,* 24 February, 2022. https://bit.ly/3hw7au5
- "Exploring the Future of Data Governance in Africa" (white paper). Pollicy, 2021. Favour Borokini, Bonaventure Saturday. https://bit.ly/3G0HaB9
- "When Fintech Meets 140 Million Unbanked Citizens" (book chapter) in *Fake AI, Pseudoscience, Snake Oil and Hype*. (ed) Frederike Kaltheuner. https://bit.ly/3Mg6rex
- "Artificial Intelligence and Women's Rights in Africa" (webinar). *Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria*, 27 October 2021. https://bit.ly/3BTwFNw
- "AfriSIG 2021: Sandboxes of our own". Association for Progressive Communication, 2021. https://bit.ly/3mP47k4
- "Engendering AI: A Gender and Ethics Perspective on Artificial Intelligence in Africa." Pollicy, 2021. Favour Borokini, Sandra Nabulega, Garnett Achieng'. https://bit.ly/3lT1TOR
- "The Intersection of Freedom of Expression Online and Protection of Personal Information". Tech Hive Advisory, 2021. https://bit.ly/3BAoU2m
- "Technology Facilitated Abuse and the Need for Digital Ethics" (webinar). *Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Digital Ethics (CAIDE), University of Melbourne*, 31 August 2021. https://bit.ly/2UgaJg3
- "Automated Imperialism, Expansionist Dreams: Exploring Digital Extractivism in Africa" (panel presentation). *Africa Law Tech Festival 2021,* https://bit.ly/3zIdTZj
- "Automated Imperialism, Expansionist Dreams: Exploring Digital Extractivism in Africa." Pollicy, 2021. Neema Iyer, Garnett Achieng', Favour Borokini, Uri Ludger. https://bit.ly/35Prgd1
- "Bringing Ethics into Workplace Productivity Metrics". Ethical Intelligence, 2021. https://bit.ly/3qt6sl1

- "The Role Africa can play in AI Ethics" (fireside chat). *Deep Decisions*, 26 March 2021.
- "Understanding Data as a Source for Algorithmic Bias". Ethical Intelligence, 2021. http://bitly.ws/cgAM
- "Digital Lending: Inside the Pervasive Practices of LendTechs in Nigeria". Tech Hive Advisory, 2021. http://bitly.ws/cgzA
- "Propelling Africa's Economy: The Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI)". Tech Hive Advisory, 2020. https://bit.ly/351XCkz
- "The Need to Make the Internet Safe(r) for Women in a Digital Age: A Review of Revenge Pornography". African Academic Network on Internet Policy, 2020. https://bit.ly/3kTmJLu
- "Zoom Weddings; The Need for Legal Reform in The Marriage Act in the Wake of the Covid-19 Pandemic in Nigeria". La Abogada, 2020. https://bit.ly/2IRNl26

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