**Bio Statement**

I have several years of ICT research and implementation experience. I come from an information technology background, having worked in that field for several years in the biggest publicly-funded research institution (CSIR). I am always excited about ICT for development and the great potential it holds. I always ask myself, what can these enabling technologies in truth add in the face of disparities? ICTs are simply enabling tools and instruments; it is the way they are utilised that determines whether they are useful or disadvantageous. My doctoral research explored how Ghana’s community information centres programme and mobile telephony have provided connectivity and overcome peripherality in Central, Brong Ahafo and Upper West regions of Ghana. To me, what matters most are the contents and utilization that make the difference? The underlying motive of projects and programmes should be the notion of building bridges: building bridges between technologies and promotion of development and human capabilities.

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