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Abuja Chapter

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# SS ISACA Abuja Chapter

# Message from the President

66 Peter Drucker famously said that "The best way to predict the future is to create it".

At ISACA Abuja Chapter, all activities and programs are geared towards creating a secure and safe cyberspace for all stakeholders, leveraging on the foundation laid by our predecessors and our quick wins in recent time. The last quarter of this year is going to be exciting and promising, as we continue to consolidate on our strides in building the next generation of digital trust professionals and engaging with the relevant authorities globally. Every first Saturday of October, ISACA global celebrate their CommunITyDay as a way of giving back to the society. ISACA Abuja chapter was not left behind as they celebrated the commulTyday in different cities across the country as this year coincided with Nigeria National Independence Day.

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In conclusion, all is set for our hybrid 14th Annual Conference #AnnCon2022, at Shehu Musa Yar'Adua Centre, Abuja from October 31st to November 2nd, 2022. This year's theme for our Annual Conference is "Digital Innovation and the future of work: Implication for Community, Industry and Governance will provide insight on how organizations can turn those risks and threats into opportunities.

This is the first hybrid conference for the Chapter, with speakers carefully selected from among the leading subject matter experts around the world. Maintain your certifications by earning up to 24 CPE points at this event, build your professional network and advance your career as a digital trust professional.

Further details on all our confirmed speakers including Mark Thomas, Favor Femi-Oyewole, Dr. Vincent Olatunji and Ifueko M Omoigui Okauruare in this edition. and on our website www.isacaabuja.org

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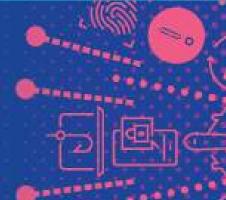
Emmanuel Omoke President ISACA Abuja Chapter



# CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH 2022







ISACA Abuja Chapter is proud to be a part of the national Cybersecurity Awareness Month to help us all understand the latest ways to protect our organizations, friends and families online.

You can greatly increase your cybersecurity online, at work and at home by taking a few simple steps: Enable Multi-Factor Authentication, Use long, random and unique passwords, think before you click: recognize and report phishing, and update your software. Throughout October, we will learn more about these cyber basics through a wide variety of activities and learning opportunities planned for Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) is making it possible for you to learn about cyber basics as well as advanced cybersecurity issues. At CISA's Cybersecurity Awareness Month website www.cisa.gov/cybersecurity-awareness-month, there is basic information, classes, and even live events happening throughout October.

We encourage you to explore the website and participate in theme days including Women in Tech, International Day, and for anyone interested in a career in cybersecurity—Career Day. There will also be a series of webinars including cyber basics such as multi-factor authentication (MFA) and password managers. In the end, the security we place around our organization is only as strong as you. We encourage you to visit the CISA website, download the Tips Sheets, and share them with your coworkers, family, and friends. After all of this education, you and your organization will be one of the most secure places online.





# 4 Things You Can Do Throughout October to Stay Safe Online:

Think Before You Click: Recognize and Report Phishing: If a link looks a little off, think before you click. It could be an attempt to get sensitive information or install malware.

Update Your Software: Don't delay -- If you see a software update notification, act promptly. Better yet, turn on automatic updates.

Use Strong Passwords: Use passwords that are long, unique, and randomly generated. Use password managers to generate and remember different, complex passwords for each of your accounts. A passwords manager will encrypt passwords securing them for you!

Enable Multi-Factor Authentication: You need more than a password to protect your online accounts, and enabling MFA makes you significantly less likely to get hacked.



# GOVERNMENT RELATIONS UPDATE



# **Government Relations Update**





As the leading global advocate for information security cybersecurity, audit, assurance, risk, privacy and governance professionals, ISACA collaborates with government and its leaders to realize the positive potential of technology and guard against its associated risks.

On Friday, 2nd of September 2022, Presidents of ISACA Chapters in Nigeria, Emmanuel Omoke (Abuja Chapter), Mrs. Funmilola Odumuboni (Lagos Chapter), Mr Ayokunle Omonijo (Ibadan Chapter), and Mrs. Eka Ituen (Port Harcourt Chapter), were hosted to a Digital Economy strategy meeting by the Director General of NITDA. The focus of the meeting centered on mapping out a framework to support the efforts of the Honourable Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, in achieving the NDEPS policy objectives and ensuring a vibrant digital economy in Nigeria.

# NNPC Ltd MD Mele Kyari applauds ISACA Abuja for its role in Sustainability and Human Capital Development



NNPC Ltd MD Mele Kyari applauded ISACA Abuja for Contributions to Business Sustainability and Human Capital Development at its 2022 Dinner and Award Night.

In his keynote address delivered by Lukman Giwa General Manager, IT Standards and Policy the MD of NNPC thanked ISACA Abuja Chapter for their support in contributing to the sustainability of the energy giant's business and developing its human capital.

In his keynote paper titled "Digital Revolution: A Gamechanger in Extending the Frontier of transparency in Nigeria's Oil and Gas Industry the Managing Director thanked ISACA Abuja for: -the role ISACA plays in inspiring confidence and guiding organizations to exploit the benefits of technology for business processing. -the body of knowledge and certifications that develop the skills and competency of staff on the job.





This has caused NNPC Ltd to make it a policy and encourage active membership in ISACA for staff. The Managing Director in his speech also noted that since 2016 the Nigerian National Petroleum Company has adopted ISACA's COBIT as the preferred framework for governance and management of information and technology in our enterprise.

This has contributed immensely to the strides they have made in automating business processes in the last few years that have resulted in improved operational efficiencies.

For more information about #ISACA and the full event gallery please visit our website www.isacaabuja.org We thank NNPC Limited our Dinner and Award Night 2022 Platinum sponsors for their continued support and partnership to make ISACA Abuja a success!



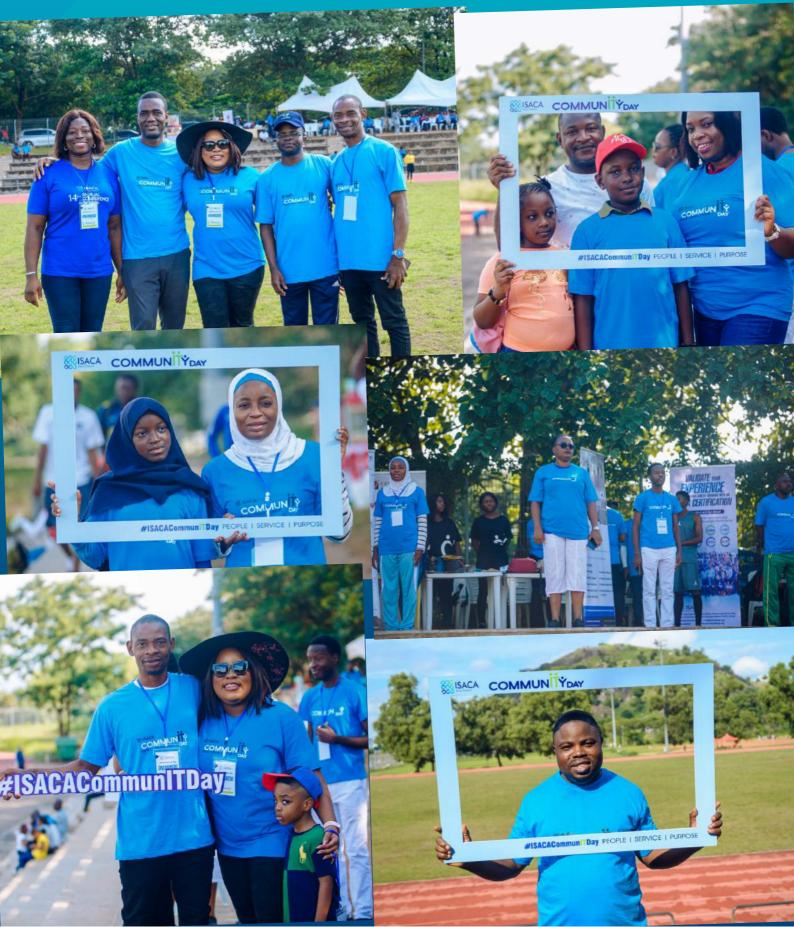


# COMMUNITY DAY 2022



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### SAFE CYBERSPACE FOR CREDIBLE ELECTIONS

A Speech Delivered at 2022 ISACA Community Day By

Olumide Ogundapo
IT RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT
NNPC LTD

1st October 2022



# **Dear Professional Colleagues,**

I welcome you once again to 2022 ISACA CommunITy Day and I hope you have had fun seeing the 50 meters dashes (by the children, mummies and daddies) and the football match between team COBIT and team CISA,

Meanwhile, I couldn't support any of the team against the other because while I am CISA certified, COBIT framework has aided my career growth, so you can imagine my delight when the match ended in a tie.

I want to start by thanking the Board and Management of ISACA Abuja for giving me the opportunity to share my thoughts on the topic "Safe Cyberspace for Credible Elections"

I believe the topic was well thought out and carefully chosen by the Board in their bid to positively influence the polity and contribute to the maturation of our electoral process.

This discourse couldn't have come at a better time than now, seeing that the country is at the verge of conducting the next general election, which many consider to be critical as the nation looks forward to the emergence of leaders that would heal the country of her socio-political, security and economic woes and steer the nation on the course of sustainable growth and development.



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I believe this talk/ address will go some miles to either kickstart a wave of

discussion on subject and/or reinforce ongoing ones.

There is no doubt that the cyberspace remains a prime space for all stakeholders in the forthcoming elections.

While it is a fundamental force for campaigning and swaying of public opinion for political parties and political office seekers because of its convenience, accessibility and cheapness, it is also an integral part of the IT

infrastructure of the umpire (election monitors, civil society, etc.) for information dissemination, result transmission, electoral education etc.

So, all actors will do anything to leverage on it to fulfill their varying objectives.

The growing agitation for a change by the youth and seeming comfort of the establishment to maintain the status quo has provided a rife motivation to compromise the electoral process and discredit the outcome.

The feverish desperation of the gladiators and their followers (both online and offline), from the Emilokan (BATified) to the ATIKUlated and the Obidients, has raised cyber bullying to a level never witnessed before in the Nigerian cyberspace and may reach a crescendo, even as the campaign commenced in earnest.

The increasing adoption of technology in the electoral process by the umpire has significantly reduced the attraction for physical techniques of compromising the electoral process by way of multiple voting, ballot box snatching and all other vices we were used to.

However, this has opened a vista of subtle but more impactful avenues such as cyber impersonation, information hi-jack and actual hacking of the electoral infrastructure.



It is worrisome that the quest for change is so much that a benevolent compromiser of the electoral process may be hailed and applauded, just as we did with coup plotters who forcefully took power in the past.

However, no matter how benevolent a compromise may be, it is akin to a coup and can only help to distance our seat in the comity of nations, especially when democracy is on the table for discussion.

There are several cyber risks in the forthcoming elections some of which I will briefly highlight.

### Social Media Platforms Abuse

Social media platforms (such as Facebook, WhatsApp, Instagram, YouTube, TikTok, Twitter etc.) have become more popular than the mainstream media because of their attraction to a large population, especially the youth, and the viral nature of information dissemination through them.

While social media platforms could be good for promoting the agenda of the political parties and their candidates for discerning voters to make their informed choices, it is also a threat to democracy and credible electioneering through the posting of inflammatory contents, fake news, misinformation, and the activities of cyber bullies and "troll army" who sometimes are not real people.

It is not unusual to see doctored video clips, photo-shoped pictures, sharing of fake election results and other vices thrive on these platforms.

### Mainstream Media Abuse

Through the adoption of technology, the mainstream media outfits now have wider reach than ever before. For example, an FM (Frequency Modulation) radio station with hitherto limited distance range can now reach the ends of the world using their various apps and leveraging on the cyberspace. Same with TV stations who now stream online through their website or social media platforms such as YouTube



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The cyber platforms of mainstream media outlets also provide platforms upon which social media actors give credibility/validity to their viral messages. Therefore, it is pertinent that the media houses avoid inflammatory contents that could cast doubt on the credibility of the electoral process.

Recall Rwandan genocide. If simple comment on a local radio station, not accentuated through the cyberspace could trigger that level of genocide, I leave the possibilities of the damage such comment could cause in common day to your imagination. Electoral Infrastructure Compromise

One of the drivers of the credibility of election is the transparency of the electoral process. The increasing adoption technology by INEC has reduced discretion and promoted transparency.

However, these values can be compromised by widespread hitches on the technology infrastructure of the umpire.

Compromise of the electoral infrastructure by non-state actors is a high risk, given similar incidence in other climes and cyber activism during the Endsars protest

# For example, according to fbi.gov:

"On July 13, 2018, a federal grand jury sitting in the District of Columbia returned an indictment against 12 Russian military intelligence officers for their alleged roles in interfering with the 2016 United States elections. The indictment charges 11 defendants with a computer hacking conspiracy involving gaining unauthorized access into the Computer of US persons and entities involved in the 2016 U.S. presidential elections, stealing documents from those computers and staging releases of the stolen documents to interfere with the 2016 US presidential election.



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Two defendants were charged with separate conspiracy to commit computer crimes, relating to hacking onto the computers of U.S. persons and entities responsible for the administration of 2016 U.S. elections such as state boards of elections, secretaries of state, and U.S. companies that

supplied software and other technologies related to the administration of U.S. election"

Bringing it home, Daily Trust Newspaper (Friday, 9th September 2022) carried the news that:

"The Chairman, INEC, Prof. Mahmud Yakubu has revealed that the commission recorded several server attacks during the governorship election in Ekiti and Osun states"

### Solution

Dear Professional Colleagues, family, and friends, notwithstanding the highlighted challenges, we can keep our cyberspace safe and our election credible if we rise up as change agents at different levels.

# Individual (Personal)

At individual level, I enjoin you to use your cyber savviness to promote cyber safety to enhance credibility of the electoral process.

Spread the gospel of cyber safety in your circle of influence, influence your cyber followers to pledge peace, think twice before sharing, liking, and retweeting. The phrase "trust but verify" is still germane. Verify the authenticity of the information you get and if in doubt, don't share, like or retweet.



# Individual (Professional)

On the professional level also, where possible, avail your professional capability to key stakeholders in this process – INEC, Political parties, candidates, election monitors, the military, NPF, NSCDC etc.). You can volunteer as social media managers for these stakeholders and promote issue-based campaigns and safe content. If professionals are on the saddle, things would be done in a professional manner.

# ISACA, Abuja (as a Professional Body)

On the part of ISACA, we may consider as part of our corporate social responsibility, a campaign/awareness for "Cyber Safety in 2023 General Elections" through our different channels. We may also lead an advocacy to key stakeholders, especially INEC, highlighting the key risk areas in our current level of technology adoption, and demanding for full scale risk assessment of the process and the enabling infrastructure so that mitigants can be emplaced ahead of the election.

# **INEC** (as the Umpire)

Given this background of previous attempts at compromising its servers, INEC is advised to emplace a robust IT infrastructure with adequate redundancy for mission critical components such as the main server, the endpoint devices (biometric and voting devices), network connectivity to server for result transmission and the server itself.

INEC should conduct risk assessment of the electoral process and execute end-to-end penetration testing of the IT infrastructure, and appropriately harden their platform to repel cyber attacks

In addition, as much as possible, INEC should exploit the power of social media for the purpose of voters' education, electoral updates, countering fake news and driving other relevant information.



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INEC should promote its verified social media handles and official website as the sole source of cyber truth for electoral information.

# **Federal Government**

Though I am an advocate of freedom of information, however, for safe cyberspace during the forthcoming election, the Federal Government, through its relevant agencies, shouldconsider some level of censorship of the cyberspace and the conventional media as campaigns begin to heat up until when the elections are completed, fallout addressed by relevant organs of government and new government sworn in.

This can be done by enforcing policies to take down offensive content and pages and take out offending mainstream media off the airspace.

### Conclusion

In conclusion, dear colleagues, we must remain nation bound by "unity and peace, faith and progress". Therefore, it is incumbent on us all to do all that is within our reach to make the election free and fair by supporting and influencing transparent electoral process without failure of technology components that may cast doubt on the credibility of the election result.

We must also keep the cyberspace free of vitriols that may further widen our ethno-religious divides.

With the blurring line between the physical and cyberspace, it is pertinent to keep the cyberspace safe as personal beefs (especially those that are political, ethnic, and religious in nature) can easily snowball into attacks and hurts in the physical world.

Long live ISACA, Abuja Long live Federal Republic of Nigeria.





# ISACA Abuja at Onitsha Business School

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OBS understands the need of time, in its quest to transform Onitsha to a fully digitalized commercial city has reached out to ISACA Abuja Chapter for Academic Partnership with focus on research, bridging digital gaps and building the future digital trust professional

For us at ISACA Abuja chapter, we are the future and the future is here, it comes with its own risks and threats, many organizations are already creating or shaping their future. This year Annual Conference "Digital Innovation and the future of work: Implication for Community, Industry and Governance will provide insight on how organizations can turn those risks and threats into opportunities



# INTERVIEW WITH OPEYEMI ONIFADE ISACA AFRICA AMBASADOR



# Interview with Opeyemi Onifade Africa Ambassador, ISACA Strategic Advisory Council



Opeyemi Onifade is the founding Director and the Practice Leader at Afenoid Enterprise Limited, a Payment Card Industry Qualified Security Assessment (PCIQSA) and Independent SWIFT Cybersecurity Assessor Company.

He serves as a trusted advisor and strategic partner to public and private sector organizations in their digital transformation and IT-Business convergence journey, cybersecurity capability road mapping, and personnel competency development.

Prior to becoming an entrepreneur, Opeyemi Onifade was at different times CISO at Galaxy Backbone Plc, Nigeria, Country Information Security Officer at Ecobank Transnational Inc, Senior Analyst at Phillips Consulting Limited and Senior Consultant, IT Governance Practice at Digital Jewels Limited.

He was previously Board Chairman, Chapter President and Education Director of ISACA Abuja Chapter, and holds ISACA's CISA, CISM, CRISC, CGEIT, COBIT 5 Certified Assessor, and COBIT 5 Certified Implementer certifications. He also holds CISSP, CompTIA Cloud Essentials, ISO 20000 Prac, ISO 27001 LA, ITIL-F, SCJP, ITBMC, PRINCE2 PMP certifications.

He is currently an academic member of the Business Relationship Management Institute, USA, member of the Institute of Directors, and is the Africa Ambassador on ISACA's Global Strategic Council.

The ISACA Abuja Media Team sat down with Mr. Onifade for a chat, and here are some insights from that conversation.



Q: What is the ISACA Strategic Advisory Council and your role as Africa Ambassador?

ISACA's Strategic Advisory Council exists to identify industry trends and support activities required to appropriately create and develop products in support of ISACA's constituents. As the Africa Ambassador, my role is to clarify and support the execution of strategy to achieve the goals set by the advisory council. I also serve as a support to ISACA Chapter Presidents across Africa, as a sounding ear or escalation point for urgent matters, and work to foster improved collaboration between chapters across the region.



Q: How does your new role benefit our members?

My role as an Africa Ambassador is to be the voice for our members and ensure they receive value for their membership and improve operations to support them in our community. I support African Chapter Presidents and the Strategic Advisory Council by:

- Identifying and prioritizing the needs of African professionals.
- Analyzing the existing market need for IS/IT Audit, privacy, risk and cybersecurity products and services, and identifying ISACA's position in the market.

- Identifying and prioritizing the gaps that can be uniquely filled by ISACA frameworks, knowledge products and education.
- Identifying areas where ISACA can benefit from collaborative development activities, partnerships or other relationships, and recommend third parties for consideration.
- Further advance ISACA's strategic objectives and enhance the awareness of ISACA in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Q: How have the certifications you have attained advanced or enhanced your career? What certifications do you look for when hiring new members of your team?

A: What makes professionals stand out today is knowledge. My certifications have not only given me a voice, they have earned me the right to be heard. I believe that certifications are important, because they show one's interest in self-improvement. My particular line of work requires proven knowledge and experience in the COBIT 5 process domains including strategy, risk, security and service management. As a policy at Afenoid Enterprise, you must be committed to professional development and join ISACA as a member.

# Q: WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE BENEFITS OF YOUR ISACA MEMBERSHIP?

The rich exposure to emerging technologies, vast body of knowledge and kind-hearted professionals. I recently returned from Orlando Florida, where I attended the 2022 Governance Risk and Compliance Conference hosted by ISACA in collaboration with the Institute of Internal Auditors. Attending ISACA conferences gives me the chance to connect with new tools, techniques and gain insights from professionals from around the world.

Ambassadors / Advocates
Supported by ISACA Global
Gabriela Reynaga and Alexander Zapata
Regional Advocates – Joris Vredeling and Gustavo Frega
Opeyemi Onifade
Frank Yam
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Jo Stewart-Rattray







# WHO OWNS THE PAYMENT PROCESS?



# WHO OWNS THE PAYMENT PROCESS?

BY MOHAMMED BAPPAH FCA, CIA, CISA

Payment is one of the most automated process for both organizations and individuals. If wish I can empty my digitally received salary to several beneficiaries within a few minutes, but I can't because I can't allow my qualified expenses to exceed my income. Receiving and paying money is no longer a problem at this age except to a few bureaucratic organizations.



Timely payment of financial obligation is a primary responsibility of a finance team in an organization. The finance function owns the process. However, it's worrisome, that the finance team is lagging in the control of payments processes by allowing other functions like operations and supply chain to be the forerunners of payment issues with the payees.

In an ideal SAP P2P (Procure to Pay) setting, the user department performs two critical roles of requisition and Job Completion Certificate (JCC). The requisition creates a unique number which becomes an input in supply chain section.

The supply chain team also conducts her formalities to come out with a unique 'order' number to the a supplier or a services provider.

Then the vendor now executes as stated in the 'order' for the user department to perform her second role of creating SAP-generated JCC with a unique number.

After the above formalities, everything is transferred to the finance team to ensure the matching of the aforementioned unique numbers and the existing primary data of the vendor as well as the timely payment of the obligation.



# WHO OWNS THE PAYMENT PROCESS?

With these unique generated numbers built in as the system control the risk of duplicates has been eliminated. This is why the issue of flimsy queries by payers for original copies of any document is archaic.

Notwithstanding, abnormal circumstances may cause delays in the settlement of financial obligations. However, the company's treasurer should be the one pleading with the vendor, the user department, and the supply chain team for not performing the role. But in a situation where the trio are the ones begging the treasurer, then the payment process has no ownership.

For any organization to remain competitive in the ever-changing global environment, its payment duration for both receiving and spending money must be predictable and controlled.

On the other hand, the user and supply chain departments have a duty for timely conduct their SAP roles. because the payment officer can't do magic if the preceding activities were done outside the system.









THEME:

# DIGITAL INNOVATION & THE FUTURE OF WORK:

IMPLICATIONS FOR COMMUNITY, INDUSTRY & GOVERNANCE

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PRE-CONFERENCE THEME

RISK-BASED ASSURANCE
IN A HIGH-VELOCITY ENVIRONMENT
USING THE COBIT 2019
FRAMEWORK



CONFIRMED SPEAKER
MARK THOMAS
CGEIT, CRISC, CDPSE, COBIT Assessor



# CONFIRMED SPEAKERS #ANNCON2022



## **MARK THOMAS**

## **TOPIC:**

Risk Based Assurance in a high Velocity Environment using Cobit 2019 Framework



# IFUEKO OMOIGUI-OKAURUMANAGING PARTNER COMPLIANCE PROFESSIONALS PLC

### **TOPIC:**

Leadership in a Technology Driven Environment
- Expectations of the Supervised, Supervisors,
Government and the Tech Community



# DR VINCENT OLATUNJI NATIONAL COMMISSIONER NIGERIA DATA PROTECTION BUREAU

### **TOPIC:**

**Implementing Data Protection in Nigeria** 



FAVOUR FEMI-OYEWOLE
CHIEF INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICER
ACCESS BANK PLC

### **TOPIC:**

Inspiration From Nature for Securing Digital

Abuja Chapter

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GROUP LEAD, DIGITAL AND INNOVATION
SUPPORT GROUP

**TOPIC:** 

Digital Transformation: Striking the Right Balance -A Study of FIRS



DON BAHM
VP, CHIEF INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICER
GERMAN TOWN TECHNOLOGIES

**TOPIC:** 

Leveraging CIS Benchmark standards to dramatically increase your security posture in the cloud



BELINDA ENOMA, LLM, CIPP/US

**TOPIC:** 

Building your personal brand as a Cyber Security

Professional



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**TOPIC:** 

IN THE AGE OF DIGITAL INNOVATION &
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# 14TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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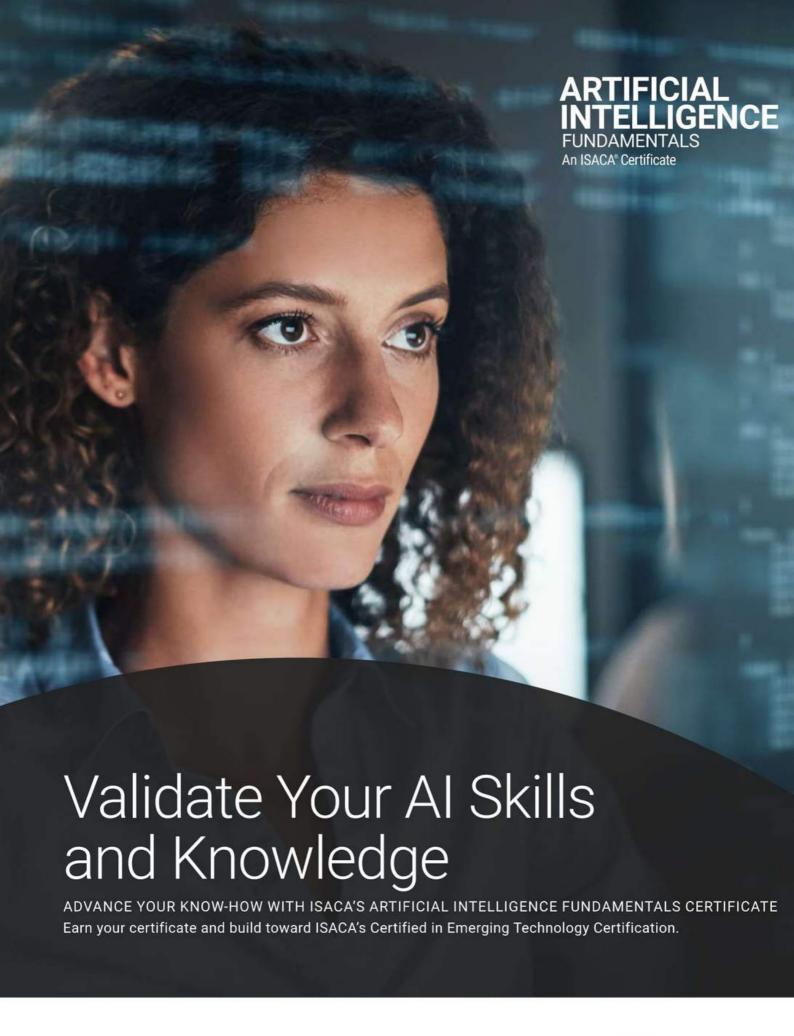
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### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

# REAL TIME DIRECT COLLECTION OF TAXES FROM ONLINE GAMING TRANSACTIONS

The Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS), in line with extant tax laws, hereby notifies the general public, particularly all companies engaged in online gaming activities that:

- 1. The FIRS is automating the administration of tax on online gaming using Santinel National Payment Gateway and Electronic Solution.
- 2. Santinel National Payment Gateway is a transaction processing system that enables integrated payment service providers to deduct taxes at transaction-points and remit the tax deducted directly to Government's Treasury.
- 3. The deployment of Santinel National Payment Gateway will simplify tax compliance for companies engaged in online gaming activities.
- 4. Every operator offering online gaming services in Nigeria is required, not later than 31st December 2022, to connect to the Santinel National Payment Gateway, where taxes will be deducted from the online gaming transactions and remitted directly to the relevant Government treasury.
- 5. It is not mandatory for online gaming operators offering online gaming services from outside Nigeria to be incorporated in Nigeria. However, they must connect to the Santinel National Payment Gateway for the purposes of deducting tax from gaming transactions of players in Nigeria and remit directly to the Government.
- 6. All companies engaged in online gaming activities are to take note of this Notive for compliance. The FIRS expects full compliance as non-compliant operators shall be visited with sanctions in accordance with extant laws.

Muhammad Nami Executive Chairman, Federal Inland Revenue Service October 2022



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- People First
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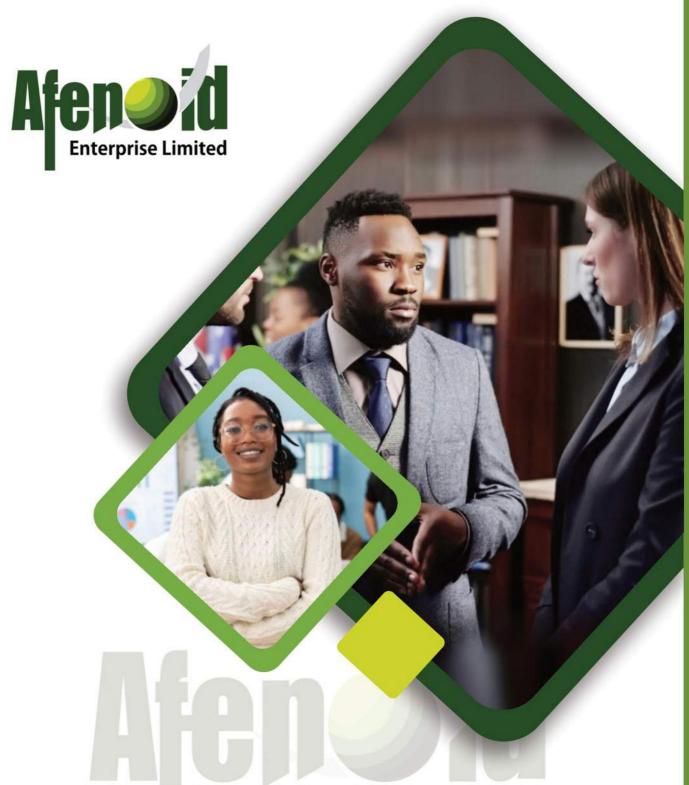
# Vision

To proactively facilitate the development of Nigeria into a sustainable digital economy

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- Perimeter Protection Systems (Bollards, Rising Kerbs, Boom barriers, Unattended Ground Sensor System)
- Home & Office Automation (Media Control) Systems
- Building Management Systems
- Computer Systems Design, Supply, Installation & Maintenance
- Video Conferencing
- Content Management Systems
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- Biometric Verification Systems







Mission

To discover, develop and deploy appropriately human resources and allied competencies required for business development and support, delivered by well trained and highly motivated work force, employing contemporary methodology to generate superior returns and ensure adequate added value to students and the business community.

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