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Background information

Lily Edinam Botsye (speaker): She is the Community Engagement Lead and board member of Hacklab Foundation, curators of West Africa's largest Hackathon and recruits/ manages a community of student developers in tertiary institutions all over the country. Currently a Masters' student and adjunct instructor who researches on the deployment of technology in service of public needs. With a blossoming career watered by volunteer activities, community engagement and leadership roles, Lily aspires to be a Tech Policy Analyst, contributing to dialogues that shapes the internet and its use and an Information Law consultant.

Tarcizio Silva (organizer/ on-site moderator): a researcher / activist / technologist focused in promoting racial justice and decolonial thinking about technology. As a Tech + Society Mozilla Fellow, he is collaborating with Ação Educativa and a network of technologists to promote awareness and knowledge on the issues around antiracism and the politics of technologies. Author and editor of books like "Racismo Algorítmico: inteligência artificial e discriminação nas redes digitais" and "Comunidades, Algoritmos e Ativismos Digitais: olhares afrodiaspóricos".

Joshua Joshua (speaker): Joshua Joshua is a Research Assistant Consultant at the Internet & Jurisdiction Policy Network. Currently, supporting the formulation of an African Regional status report on cross-border digital policies. Joshua has a background in Telecommunications and Internet Governance, he has vast experience in regulatory and policy issues relating to Internet Governance on the Continent and is a young professional with growing years of experience in Internet Policy. In addition, Joshua currently assists the African Internet Governance Forum as a Program Assistant and is based in Abuja, Nigeria.

Juliane Cintra (online moderator): Coordinator of Support Units (Communication, Information Technology and Events) at Acao Educativa. Journalist, specialist in digital media, member of Bloco Afro Ilú Obá de Min. She has experience in Communication and Human Rights, working with cyberactivism and ethnic-racial relations.

Mariana Gomes (speaker): Brazilian journalist and cyberactivist. Right now, she's pursuing her Master's Degree on Communication and Contemporary Cultures at the Federal University of Bahia. Her research is on discourses at the Brazilian and Latin American internet governance ecosystem on "disconnected people" in order to address coloniality among present decisions. Founder of Conexão Malunga Platform, promotes debates and workshops on digital technologies through afro-brazilian knowledge. At the moment, Conexão Malunga is a consultant entity on digital universalization and inclusion work group at the Brazilian Internet Steering Committee.

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