The background image shows the entrance of a classical-style building. It features a white pediment with a central circular medallion. Below the pediment is a small rectangular window. The main entrance is an arched doorway with a dark wooden door that has a decorative pattern of small, light-colored circles. The doorway is flanked by white columns with horizontal fluting. A paved walkway leads to the entrance, bordered by green bushes. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

Student Biographies

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Sampson Kofi **Adotey**

Sampson Kofi Adotey is a Knowledge Broker with an interest in facilitating cross-functional collaboration for digital and social transformation. His experience spans across multiple sectors including Communications, Education Delivery and Management, Development, WASH, Science Policy and Academic Diplomacy. Sampson is the Manager, Alumni Engagement and Research Reporting – Global Network at the African Institute of Mathematical Science. Before this, Sampson worked in Communications and Policy at the Next Einstein Forum. He is an alumnus of the

Duke of Edinburgh International Award for Young People and Ghana's Head of State Award Scheme where he received both Bronze and Silver Award.

Sampson is a Global Shaper of the World Economic Forum's Global Shapers Community. He was selected to attend the World Economic Forum 2019 Annual Meeting in Dalian, China and subsequently, the World Economic Forum in Africa 2019. Sampson currently serves as the Impact Officer of the Accra Hub.



Zenariah **Barends**

Zenariah Barends is at the Community Chest of the Western Cape, where she is responsible for its publication division. Prior to joining Community Chest, Zenariah was the Chief of Staff at Independent Media. She has also served as the head of investigations at the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) in the Western Cape, and as a researcher at the Education Policy Unit (EPU) at the University of the Western Cape where she conducted research into post-apartheid higher education policy. Zenariah served as the Chief Secretariat

of the BRICS Business Council in South Africa for two years (2017 and 2018). She has a strong passion for arts development and is a founder member of the Cape Cultural Collective. She has served on both corporate and non-profit boards including The South African Institute for Advancement (Inyathelo) and the Cape Cultural Collective, where she currently serves as chairperson of the board. Zenariah has a BA (Honours) from the University of the Western Cape.



Este **Buchholz**

Este Buchholz has worked with organisations across the private, public and not-for-profit sector. Following a successful career as an executive search consultant in the United Kingdom Este changed careers to the not-for-profit sector shortly after returning to South Africa in 2014.

For the past four years she has been supporting NGOs with their human resources and operational challenges, mostly leading recruitment and putting policies and processes in place. Este

especially loves working for start-ups and smaller organisations where it is a bit messy, and she is required to get involved in areas outside of her comfort zone, with room to make an impact.

She is married to a design lecturer and they have two teenagers, a boy and a girl. As challenging as it is at times, she is very grateful for the love, patience and empathy parenting has taught her. Este graduated with a BA in Industrial Psychology in 1993 at Stellenbosch University.



Ayrton Da Silva

Ayrton Da Silva is a small business founder and researcher. Currently, he works as a Research and Project Assistant at the University of Cape Town's Graduate School of Business. His role is set in the Solution Space, an entrepreneurial and business research unit, business incubator, and innovation hub. He engages in empirical research into the determinants of firm performance, drivers of sustainable entrepreneurship, the effects of cognitive biases, as well as macroeconomic and environmental conditions. Ayrton is currently co-authoring an article examining the effects of cognitive biases on firm performance.

Additionally, Ayrton runs two small businesses. To date his businesses have

worked extensively with the University of Cape Town, National Government Departments, Municipalities, State-owned Enterprises, as well as market leaders in retail, construction, and logistics. They have sponsored: the refurbishment of the Indoor Rowing Centre, which proudly carries their branding; the annual Rowing Club fundraiser; and the team apparel of the Hockey Club which also carries their branding.

Ayrton holds a Bachelor of Business Science Degree specialising in Economics, as well as a FISA Level II Rowing Coaching Qualification. Ayrton enjoys an active and adventurous lifestyle.



Noor Jehan Docrat

Noor Jehan Docrat has over 20 years of experience working, collaborating and engaging in the Corporate, Education and NGO spheres in South Africa, South East Asia and the UK. Her qualifications include two Degrees in Commerce, a postgraduate Certificate in Education (Cum Laude) and a Diploma in Information Management.

As an alumni of the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership, she is passionate about creating innovative, meaningful and sustainable solutions

to drive purposeful and long-term value creation for society. She is currently lecturing in Stellenbosch and is equally passionate about education as the primary vehicle for unlocking true human potential. She is an avid reader and writes in her spare time.



Zandile Dumas

Subsequent to completing my Bachelor of Information Systems and BA Hons in Brand Leadership, it was a natural progression to combine my knowledge and passions for social development, innovation and entrepreneurship to establish a business with a vision to create social value to impact our challenges of inequality, poverty and unemployment. Commencing as a lecturer at Vega's Imagination Lab, I spent 10 years managing public and private sector projects developing youth and women in the arts and culture, enterprise development and agricultural (food security) sector.

In 2018, I was awarded the Chevening Scholarship to pursue a Masters degree in Social Entrepreneurship at Goldsmiths University focusing on Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS) as a source of social innovation. Advocating for IKS led development, my vision is to contribute to the design of eco-systems that support the demand and supply of socially innovative IKS products/services and build its capabilities to impact the country's socio-economic challenges.



Tochukwu Egesi

Tochukwu is a financial services strategy consultant at Genesis Analytics. Based in Nigeria and has worked in over 13 African countries, his efforts at Genesis, lie at the crossroads of financial services strategy and digital economy development.

Tochukwu actively writes on financial inclusion, financial deepening and digital inclusion on several media platforms including Inclusion Times. Tochukwu has received several awards and recognitions from local and international agencies for

his development contributions in Nigeria including The International Monetary Fund, The World Bank, the United Kingdom Government, LEAP Africa, ACT Foundation, and the First Lady of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. Tochukwu is an IMF youth fellow and was named on the Opportunity Desk Africa under 30 list for social innovation.



Mmalenyalo Galane

Mmalenyalo is a seasoned Learning and Development Professional, with 10+ years' experience in delivering successful L&D strategies and initiatives in companies such as Deloitte & Touché, Standard Bank of SA and First National Bank. Having completed her Honours Degree in Psychology, at the University of the Witwatersrand, she's passionate about the development of Talented Youth in South Africa, education, career advancement, mentorship and entrepreneurship; especially in rural areas and poverty-stricken communities.

Mmalenyalo currently works for Engen Petroleum managing their Skills Development Scorecard under

the Transformation and B-BBEE Framework, she's responsible for Graduate Programmes, Learnerships, Apprenticeships and all Young Talent Programmes. She was recently appointed to establish the Engen Global Centre at the Engen Refinery in KZN and represents Engen in various external forums that are critical in driving the implementation of NSDP 2030. In her spare time, she enjoys outdoor activities with her three young children, reading, her gym sessions and travel.



Lauren Goetze

Lauren has a wide range of professional experience over the past 5 years, working in organizations from a female-run microbusiness to U.S. government agencies. She is passionate about social entrepreneurship, having worked for entrepreneurs, ecosystem support organizations, government agencies regulating and supporting entrepreneurs, and an INGO supporting social entrepreneurs.

Most recently, she worked as the Executive Assistant to the Regional Director of Ashoka Arab World in Cairo,

where she worked with the team supporting the world's leading social entrepreneurs, and assisted with the global Women's Initiative for Social Entrepreneurship initiatives. Lauren has an undergraduate degree in International Relations and Economics from Drake University. Outside of work, Lauren loves to travel, bake, and swim.



Talia Govender

Talia Govender is a researcher working at the intersection of finance, technology and human behaviour. She graduated from UCT with a Business Science (Finance) degree in 2014 and has spent the subsequent years exploring how consumers experience financial products in the asset management and payment industries. In her current role as Customer Insight Lead at Yoco, she is involved in creating solutions to problems faced by small businesses in South Africa.

Throughout her career, she has oriented herself around purpose driven work, particularly in the field of financial inclusion. She believes in leveraging the power of technology to create financial products and services which simplify the complex and remove barriers to access, enabling individuals to make the most empowered decisions for their future.



Mark Heerden

Mark Heerden, with the African Institute for Mathematical Sciences (AIMS) since 2013, has followed his passion supporting talented African STEM graduates achieve meaningful employment through Work-Integrated-Learning programs and industry internships. AIMS, founded in 2003 with the University of Stellenbosch, focuses on MSc degrees and postgraduate research in mathematical sciences. Today AIMS operates residential academic learning centers, partnering with local universities, in five African countries. In 2016, with Germany's leading business school, ESMT Berlin, Mark co-founded the "AIMS ESMT

Industry Immersion Program". The pilot has just completed its 4th year and 123 AIMS alumni have successfully participated from 26 African countries.

Mark has also mentored AIMS' postgraduates convert their research into applied solutions. The most recent npo, EdgeAcoustics, brings smart bioacoustic solutions to endangered ecology projects. Mark is a BCom(Hons) UCT CA(SA) with a previous career of over 25 years in financial services in the UK and South Africa.



Zeenat Hendricks

Zeenat Hendricks has over 9 years of experience in the world of social justice. Currently she heads up the communications department for Rape Crisis Cape Town Trust, a non-profit organization in the Western Cape that focuses on sexual violence and women's rights. Her interest and experience expand over communications, marketing, advertising, organisational development and a special interest in the implementation and practice of social innovation within organisations. Her deep passion for strengthening communities through development work drives everything she does. She also

has working experience in the corporate, university and agency environments.

Zeenat aspires to continue to grow and seek knowledge that will be beneficial not only to her, but to all the spaces she finds herself in. She is creative, analytical and thrives off the energy of others. She has a particular strength in bringing projects and people together and making sure that co-creation happens. She took part in a 12-month Fellowship with the DG Murray Trust for organisational innovation, in 2018.



Wangari Jane

Wangari Jane is an award-winning innovator, social entrepreneur, and transformer. She is passionate about fixing societal challenges with sustainable solutions that create lasting impacts. Wangari is the founder of Girl Puberty, Lejan Energy Limited and Caterpillar to Butterfly Entrepreneurship.

She is a champion of girl child empowerment, Menstrual Health, and Hygiene Management. She is passionate about ending Period Poverty and Period Ignorance. She empowers and equips girls from under-privileged and marginalized backgrounds with Dignity Self-care kits and MHHM education. She is the author of "Puberty Queen" a guide

to menstrual health management for pre-teen girls.

Wangari holds a BSC in Information Technology degree and an MBA, Global Business and Sustainability Social Entrepreneurship.

She is a Lifelong learner committed to staying on top of the best current and emerging business practices, especially in an international context. Looking forward to learning the Human Centered Design and strategic thinking approach under the MPHIL Inclusive Innovation program.



Stacey Jansen

Stacey is the Co-Founder and Executive Director at REDISA NPC, South Africa's first and only NPC to implement the circular economy on a national scale, through its waste tyre management plan. Under her leadership, the REDISA team were able to take the recovery rate of tyres from 4% in 2012 to 98% in 2016 and create a waste tyre recycling industry of more than 279 SMMEs supporting over 3500 jobs.

Her 30-year career has been predominantly in the financial

services sector with a focus on operations management. Stacey's passion for community development saw her volunteer for organisations such as NICRO, CAFDA and Triple Trust organisation. Her most recent volunteer work saw her developing and implementing a distribution model for PPE to more than 30 000 community health workers throughout South Africa. Stacey lives in Cape Town with her husband; Grant and their 3 sons and dogs Louis and Floyd.



Boineelo Khowe

Boineelo Khowe is a zealous individual, who aims to make a difference in her community and nation. She has extensive experience in the financial sector – both banking and insurance. She has experience in Business Strategy formulation and execution, Organizational re-branding and project implementation.

Boineelo is also a social entrepreneur, Managing Masa Capital, a company that provides strategic direction, training and asset finance to informal businesses. Boineelo Khowe, has a

Master of Arts in Development studies, a Bachelor's degree in project and Logistics Management, an Enterprise Risk Management certificate. She is passionate about learning languages, and speaks and writes Mandarin Chinese and is currently learning to speak French. Boineelo is passionate about working with young people and has organized a number of youth summits that have been supported by the Office of the President and the Ministry of Youth Sports and Culture in her country. She loves reading and travelling.



Thato **Konstabole**

Thato Konstabole has over 10 years as a development professional and has had a spell in the government sector, local and International NGOs. He has worked in Agriculture and livelihood development, Disaster management and community resilience, Environment and Natural Resource Management, as well as Policy Advocacy and lobbying. In 2016, he joined the Lesotho Highlands Development Authority (LHDA)- helping the LHDA in its responsibility of improving the standard of living of the people affected by the Lesotho Highland Water Project.

He is motivated by socio-economic development that occurs in a sustainably managed environment and a business-minded individual striving to make a difference in the world through corporate philanthropy and Impact Investing. He genuinely wants to help those in the poverty pool and in disadvantaged communities and wishes to accomplish this balancing act through social entrepreneurship. Thato holds a BSc in Agriculture from the National University of Lesotho.



Asanda **Madosi**

Asanda Madosi is highly motivated and acts as the COO at Ramalo. Asanda is an experienced researcher and development practitioner with expertise in local and international development & technology. They are a critical cultural practitioner, using interdisciplinary methods through research, marketing, design thinking and strategy to inform or align a business strategy. Asanda comes highly recommended to build

robust creative systems and manage the successful program delivery from planning to execution.

Asanda is also a certified scrum product owner and holds various degrees, certifications in Development Studies, International Relations, and sociology.



Sibulele Dawn **Mlumbi**

Sibulele Dawn Mlumbi is a qualified Public Policy Specialist and Entrepreneur. A Wits School of Governance alumna, her core expertise lie in steering the governance and operational models of public and private enterprises. This professional acumen is expressed through Mlumbi Consulting Group, wherein she is the Founder and Director. Mlumbi Consulting Group is a black-owned policy consultancy firm that delivers strategic management solutions to the public and private sector. By deploying solutions in the fields of public policy; strategic public management; monitoring & evaluation and service delivery, Dawn and her team

of specialists amplify the public value of existing private and public companies. Her long-held commitment to creating solutions that transform the landscape of policy development in emerging economies was honed through her Bachelors of Social Sciences in Politics & Governance Degree that she completed at the University of Cape Town. She has considerable experience in management consulting, having been commissioned by small and medium enterprises to develop and lead large-scale research projects that contribute to business development operations. She joins the 2021 MPhil in Inclusive Innovation cohort as the youngest candidate, with



the intention to accelerate her capacity as a business leader, innovator and professional.

Tshwanelo Modise

Tshwanelo Modise is a Product Design expert with a passion for the power of ideas. She is also a creative problem-solver at heart and prides herself in crafting work that impacts people's lives positively.

Tshwanelo completed her BA Honours in film and tv production, and spent the early years of her career in the advertising industry, where she built effective social marketing campaigns for some of South Africa's most loved brands. In addition to advertising experience, Tshwanelo has led product design teams in the financial services sector and in the tech start-up space.

She has also held a position as a Design Lecturer at the University of Johannesburg's Faculty of Art, Design and Architecture.

Her portfolio includes brands such as Momentum, The Industrial Development Corporation, Kimberly-Clark, MultiChoice, and Media24. In her 8 years of working experience, Tshwanelo has developed business acumen, a heightened sense of leadership, and a stronger creative strategy muscle. Tshwanelo believes that creativity is a powerful tool in solving complex business problems and therefore hopes to focus her efforts on innovating systems and building

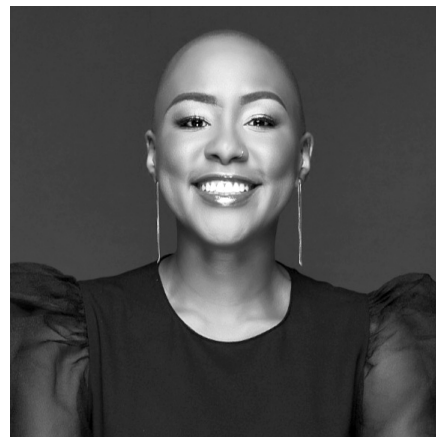


research that effectively empowers informal sector entrepreneurs who are located in underserved communities.

Amantle Mokubung

Amantle Mokubung is a Marketing Strategist and Future Females Business School coach. Her career in marketing spans over ten years, following the completion of a BA Degree in Marketing Communication at the AAA School of Advertising in 2010. She also holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Marketing Management from the IMM Graduate School, a Professional Diploma in Digital Marketing from the Digital Marketing Institute, a certificate in Social Entrepreneurship & Systems Change from UCT GSB and a Digital Strategy in Building Brands Certificate from the Vega School of Brand Leadership.

Amantle regularly shares her marketing expertise on Motsweding FM and is a writer for Your Business Magazine. She recently joined Harambee Youth Employment Accelerator as a Campaign Manager, a move which she deems as congruent with her passion for achieving impact. In March 2020, Amantle was selected as one of the top 20 candidates that were handpicked to participate in the prestigious Fellowship for Organisational Innovation with DG Murray Trust.



Jacob Mtimkulu

Jacob Mtimkulu is an Economist who is passionate about addressing socio-economic challenges, particularly unemployment, poverty, and inequalities, through innovative programs. He is a determined achiever with exceptional knowledge of quantitative analysis, research and economic evaluation techniques. In 2015, he was the semi-finalist of the Nedbank/Old Mutual Budget Speech Competition.

He has extensive experience in industrial and economic development, having worked in the public sector for more than five years.

Jacob holds a Bachelor's Degree in Economic Science, postgraduate qualifications in Business Administration and Health Economics, and a Certificate in Health Financing for Universal Health Coverage.



Juliet Nanfuka

Juliet Nanfuka holds a Bachelor of Journalism Degree from Rhodes University, South Africa where she specialised in Writing and Digital Media. She has also completed a course on Social Innovation Management with the Amani Institute in Nairobi, Kenya. Juliet is interested in the many intersections of society, economy, media and technology.

She works with the Collaboration on International ICT Policy for East and Southern Africa (CIPEA), a leading think

tank on digital rights in Africa. She is involved in a range of digital inclusion projects and is interested in issues such as access to information, press freedom, identity and gender dynamics online, online content, digital taxation, and new economy.



Zakhona Ndlovu

Zakhona Ndlovu is an economic transformation and empowerment specialist with a focus on entrepreneurship and small business development. Her primary area of interest is developing inclusive expansion models for multinationals across different jurisdictions with varying transformation and local ownership requirements.

She holds an LLB and a Diploma in Insolvency Practice from the University of Pretoria, a PGDip in Compliance Management from the University of Johannesburg and MBA from the Gordon Institute of Business Science.



Cliff Nkuna

Cliff Nkuna is the Managing Director of Acqumen Consulting, an Information Technology (IT) consulting company that focuses on information security, IT solution design and business process optimisation.

Cliff has managed a number of IT projects, implementing solutions within various sectors including retail, media, utilities, mining, telecommunication, hospitality, healthcare and financial services. Some of these projects have included international travel to countries such as Spain, Malaysia and the United States of America. Within the African

context, he has worked on projects in Botswana, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Swaziland and Lesotho.

He completed an entry level programming course in 1996, which launched his career as a consultant with Accenture. After years of working on various projects, he enrolled for a Bachelor of Commerce Degree in Information and Technology Management. He has an architectural design hobby and completed a Diploma in Multi-Disciplinary Drawing Office Practice to compliment his interest in real estate.



Mpho Ntholeng

Mpho Ntholeng is the Executive Director of Kommunity Foundation. He is an experienced development specialist executive and entrepreneur who has significant knowledge in consulting, strategy formulation and fundraising in these areas. He was previously the Executive Director of Development Services within the Siyakha Group.

Mpho has significant experience in delivering projects across a wide sphere of influence and has managed across a national and regional portfolio to create and implement strategies which positively impact entrepreneurship

and community development, growth, and sustainability. He is a Harvard Business School Global Partner and serves as a Director of The Desmond Tutu Tutudesk Campaign Centre board. Mpho has been the recipient of the SAB Young Entrepreneur Award and was inducted as an Endeavor Accelerator Entrepreneur.

Mpho is married and has two children, is an art enthusiast, enjoys wine and cooking, and loves road-tripping with his friends and family.



Iris Nxumalo-De Smidt

Iris Nxumalo-De Smidt increasingly identifies as a feminist systems innovator, who leverages facilitation, research, strategic grant-making, story-telling and project management to support social justice and systems change.

She is presently located in Cape Town, South Africa, working as an Innovation Manager at the DG Murray Trust (DGMT). Her work seeks to advance the strategy to nurture an innovative and inclusive society. Prior to joining DGMT, Iris collectively spent six years supporting feminist development programming and movement-building, teaching

and research in 5 countries, across 3 continents.

Iris holds an MSc in African Studies from St. Antony's College, University of Oxford and a Post-Graduate Certificate in Peace and Security from the African Leadership Centre, King's College London. Her formative higher education experiences were at the University of Pretoria, where she obtained, with distinction, a Bachelor of Political Sciences (BPOLSCI) in International Studies and a BA (Honours) in International Relations as a Mandela-Rhodes Scholar.



Courage Nyamhunga

Courage Nyamhunga is an innovation nomad who is peripatetic at best, and enjoys being part of an interdisciplinary team of global problem-solvers, spread across the globe and solving some of the world's biggest challenges. He is a curious reader and strategic thinker who is very uncomfortable working with bureaucracies to make change. He has a knack for understanding systems and dismantling them to install new ones inspired by technology and is very good at building solid relationships with skeptics through demonstrating the value of his work and unpacking the 'innovation' lingo. He possesses modest competencies in program and portfolio management, having built much of

his experience with UNICEF as the Technology 4 Development/Innovation Specialist where he managed mHealth and WASH projects with modest budgets.

He has worked across three offices, from the artificial harbours in Colombo, to seeking shade under the Jacaranda trees in Harare and listening to the early morning sounds of the Azan in Djibouti. He has the ability to articulate and communicate complex issues to a variety of audiences across technical disciplines and to non-technical audiences and is a multi-passionate, digital creative type. A significant part of his work is figuring out how various digital tools can help close



that 'feedback loop' in development and improve accountability mechanisms.

Rudo Nyangulu

Rudo Nyangulu is passionate about enterprise innovation and ICT4 Development which are areas she has worked in for a number of years through Stimulus Africa, an enterprise development and business services consulting firm Rudo founded in 2011 and is the executive director. Rudo is an enterprise development practitioner and a lawyer working both in the private sector and in the development sector with over 15 years of experience.

She is a mentor and trainer/coach on the Stimulus PAP business modelling incubator & accelerator programmes

which she developed. Rudo has an interest in policy advocacy for private sector development and job creation. She has developed entrepreneurial training tools for the African context and has contributed to the Open Society in Southern Africa (OSISA)'s BUWA Journal (2017) and is a co-author of the Stimulus Enterprise Development Guide for Frontier Market Economies (2017). She is an alumnus and fellow of the Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders (YALI). Rudo holds an LLB (Hons) degree in Law from the University of the West of England (UK).



Melvina Phillips

Melvina Phillips is a wife and mom of two boys aged 7 and 3. She loves the outdoors and appreciates the relationships she has been blessed with, more so after a year like 2020. She believes that all people matter and is registered with the HPCSA as a Registered Counsellor. Her area of interest is predominantly in youth development because of the various and interesting changes taking place in the adolescent developmental phase and how the decisions in this phase often influences the trajectory of these young lives.

Her purpose is to live a life of significance and impact that is generational, leaving a legacy that will outlive her. She believes that people are not linear, but in fact are very dynamic. The beauty of this means that people have transformative power and can change. Melvina loves challenging limiting mindsets and thought patterns, thereby allowing people to create new narratives. She is hoping that the MPhil programme will challenge her in the very same way.



Shalen Reddy

Shalen Reddy is a performance consultant and has been with DStv for the past 14 years. He fulfilled many roles during this time from customer services to HR Learning and development where he was instrumental in the development and launch of DStv's first E-Learning platform.

He thereafter took up the challenge of being an agency performance consultant managing DStv agencies across the Western and Northern Cape which later included the retail sector. He is an accomplished professional offering extensive experience analysing

company performance data along with streamlining operational workflows to meet client and company goals across the Media and Telecommunications industry.

Shalen has a BSocSc in Industrial Organisational Labour Studies, HR (UCT), NMP (UCT) and a PGDip in Management Practice (UCT GSB). He is a PGDip mentor at the UCT GSB and Deputy Chair of a community-based feeding scheme providing hot meals to people of need in and around Cape Town.



Desire **Ruhinda**

Desire Ruhinda is a descendant of a Rwandan immigrant mother and a Tanzanian father. During his second year of undergraduate at the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University, he was motivated to help the community tackle the lack of awareness, accessibility and ignorance of healthy habits that resulted in most non-communicable diseases, through Kilisports. Kilisports is an organization that promotes healthy lifestyle through active sports participation and healthcare accessibility.

After graduating medical school in 2019, combined with the data from Kilisports

and early medical experience he realized that he would save more lives and help the bigger population through tackling the source of the problem than at the doctor's consulting room.

Accessibility to healthcare being of vital feedback, Desire is now the co-founder of Medikea, a healthtech startup that helps patients find doctors and book appointments remotely and order discounted medicines. His search for more inclusive ways and accessible models of healthcare delivery to the African population is his motivation towards pursuing the MPhil programme.



Yusuf **Ssessanga**

Yusuf Ssessanga is Director of Innovation at Rlabs Tanzania, headquartered in Iringa, Southern Tanzania. After his first degree in Horticulture from Sokoine University in Tanzania, Yusuf worked with different academic institutions for a few years before founding Grandflora Ltd. The difficulties in starting and running the company opened him to the passion of his life...helping the youth start and grow businesses from scratch.

Yusuf, together with his colleagues founded Iringa Living Lab in 2012,

which became Rlabs Tanzania. Rlabs addresses different community tensions by developing innovative solutions through multi-faceted approaches. He enjoys working in such an environment that turns challenges into opportunities. He was also involved in the founding of Team Academy, a learning-by-doing program at the University of Iringa. He believes the MPhil in Inclusive Innovation will help him to create innovations that will impact the education sector in Tanzania, and beyond.



Mudinda **Tshimbidi**

Mudinda is a Management Consulting Manager for a Fortune 500 global company and her role is focused on digital transformation and supply chain for natural resources sector clients around the world.

She is a Mining Engineer with experience in leading teams for both underground and opencast mining operations for a large global mining company. Mudinda is a creative at heart; lover of adventure; self-proclaimed foodie and

DIY enthusiast. She is an aspiring social innovator who continues to be involved in volunteerism across social enterprises and is passionate about social impact & servant leadership. Mudinda's favourite role to date is that of wife, new mom, daughter and the 2nd of 5 siblings.



Lesley Donna Williams

Lesley believes that everyone has the right to live their full potential regardless of the life they were born into. She is also committed to the advancement of Pan-African leadership. These pillars are the foundation of all her work.

She has over 20 years international experience in curating innovation ecosystems and networks with a primary focus on social and digital innovation. As a facilitator of dialogue and change processes, she creates common ground between diverse public and private stakeholders.

Lesley is the CEO of Wits University's Tshimologong Precinct that aims to take African digital innovation to global markets through entrepreneurship and skills development. She further serves on Gauteng Premier David Makhura's 4IR and Digital Transformation Advisory Panel. Lesley founded Impact Hub Johannesburg in 2010 to advance social innovation in Africa.

Through the MPhil she looks forward to meeting new, inspiring people and mastering skills in pursuit of advancing meaningful work.



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