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Social Policy | Child Rights | Youth Governance | Community Development

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Results-oriented development professional with over five years of experience in social policy analysis, child rights programming, youth civic engagement, community outreach, and programme coordination across Nigeria. Founder and Executive Director of Talk with Nmerichi (formerly CEPAI), a pan-Nigerian platform advancing youth policy literacy and civic participation. Applies LogFrame methodology, MEAL frameworks, Sphere Standards, and child safeguarding principles to programme design, implementation, and quality assurance. Committed to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and UNICEF Core Commitments for Children (CCCs) as the foundation for rights-based programming. Familiar with UNICEF programme frameworks including the Country Programme Document (CPD) process, Situation Analysis (SitAn), and Humanitarian Action for Children (HAC) planning. Experienced in the full grant management cycle: proposal development, budget tracking, narrative and financial donor reporting, and results-based reporting to institutional donors. Shortlisted for the UNICEF GenU Young People's Action Team (YPAT) 2026 to 2027. Certified by UNICEF in Community Engagement for Behaviour and Social Change (CE/SBC) in CCCs in Humanitarian Action (UNICEF Agora, June 2026). A first-generation university graduate and Master of Public Policy (MPP) candidate at Newcastle University under the Future Leaders Nigerian Scholarship.

EDUCATION

Master of Public Policy (MPP) - Deferred

September 2026

Newcastle University | United Kingdom

Fully funded by the Future Leaders Nigerian Scholarship, awarded on a competitive national basis. Curriculum covers social policy, governance, sustainable development, and public administration.

Bachelor of Science, Political Science - Second Class Upper Division (2:1)

2015 to 2021

University of Nigeria, Nsukka (UNN) | Nigeria

Coursework: comparative politics, public administration, social policy analysis, and Nigerian governance systems.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Programme Operations Intern

January 2025 to Present

Rachel Tugutu World Outreach Program (RTWOP) | Remote

- Maintained communication and operational alignment across 5 programme teams, improving reporting timeliness in line with LogFrame targets, MEAL requirements, and child safeguarding protocols.
- Independently managed Week 3 check-ins for all 5 teams with delegated authority to approve extension requests, maintaining programme continuity across a distributed international volunteer structure.
- Produced structured narrative reports of team activities, decisions, and progress against indicators, strengthening institutional accountability and donor reporting readiness.
- Applied Sphere Standards and child safeguarding benchmarks to flag 100% of identified programmatic risks to leadership ahead of reporting deadlines, supporting timely course correction.

Founder and Executive Director

2022 to Present

Talk with Nmerichi (formerly CEPAI - Civic Education, Policy and Advocacy Initiative) | Nigeria

- Founded and scaled a pan-Nigerian youth civic education platform reaching audiences across multiple states, with measurable increases in policy literacy and civic participation among young Nigerians.
- Designed all programmes using LogFrame methodology aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), establishing objectives, outputs, outcomes, and impact indicators consistent with UNICEF programme planning standards.

- Embedded child safeguarding policies and UNCRC principles across all programme activities, ensuring safe, inclusive, and rights-respecting engagement consistent with UNICEF Core Commitments for Children (CCCs).
- Applied MEAL frameworks to track programme reach and participant outcomes; prepared quarterly narrative and financial donor reports aligned with grant management requirements and results-based reporting standards.
- Facilitated community dialogue and policy advocacy sessions applying Sphere Standards and gender-responsive programming principles, consistent with UNICEF Country Programme Document (CPD) implementation approaches.
- Contributed written policy analysis to the Africa Futures Forum Expert Briefing on the Pact for the Future, UN80 reform, and the post-2030 sustainable development agenda.
- Secured shortlisting for the UNICEF GenU Young People's Action Team (YPAT) 2026 to 2027 from a competitive national applicant pool, validating policy leadership and organisational credibility.

Manager - promoted from Sales Associate within 5 months

January 2024 to June 2026

Damilola Pharmacy and Stores | Lagos, Nigeria

- Managed daily operations for a community-facing pharmacy serving hundreds of customers weekly, overseeing staff coordination, inventory control, and financial reconciliation with zero reported discrepancies.
- Applied budget management and financial tracking discipline directly transferable to NGO grant management and donor financial reporting requirements.
- Achieved promotion from Sales Associate to Manager within 5 months, reflecting performance, leadership, and operational reliability under pressure.

Technical Writer

Prior Role

De Aftermath Consult | Nigeria

- Produced technical reports, policy briefs, and programme documentation for organisational and client deliverables, meeting quality and deadline standards across concurrent assignments.

Presiding Officer - 2023 General Elections

2023

Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) | Nigeria

- Administered polling operations for a full electoral unit, supervising poll officials and achieving 100% procedural compliance with INEC electoral law and transparency standards.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Community Volunteer

Ongoing

Lagos Food Bank Initiative | Lagos, Nigeria

- Contributed to food distribution operations serving hundreds of food-insecure urban beneficiaries per cycle, applying child safeguarding and beneficiary protection principles throughout.

Education and Nutrition Volunteer

Ongoing

EDUFOOD | Nigeria

- Delivered integrated education and nutrition support to underserved community members, improving access to basic services for vulnerable groups including children and adolescents.

Youth Development Volunteer

Ongoing

Thrive Foundation | Nigeria

- Facilitated skills development and empowerment activities for adolescents and young adults using gender-responsive and child-rights-based facilitation approaches consistent with UNCRC principles.

Community Outreach Volunteer Intern

Ongoing

Rachel Tugutu World Outreach Program (RTWOP) | Remote

- Supported outreach coordination and programme documentation, contributing to improved narrative reporting quality and organisational accountability standards.

Rural Outreach Volunteer - NCCF Rural Rugged

2022

Nigeria Christian Corpers Fellowship (NCCF) | Akwa Ibom State

- Delivered week-long multi-sector community outreach during NYSC to over 200 beneficiaries: classroom teaching, medication administration, psychosocial counselling, menstrual health education for girls, vocational guidance for

young men, and distribution of food, clothing, and educational materials, with child safeguarding principles observed throughout.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- UNICEF GenU Young People's Action Team (YPAT) 2026 to 2027 - Shortlisted, competitive national pool
- Future Leaders Nigerian Scholarship - Newcastle University, 2026 - Competitive merit-based award
- Global Youth Climate Summit, Oxford Said Business School - Selected participant and contributor
- Africa Futures Forum Expert Briefing - Invited written contributor, Pact for the Future and post-2030 SDG agenda
- COYEC 2026, SDSN Nigeria - Confirmed Virtual Delegate
- World Bank Youth Summit (#FutureWorks, June 2026) - Participant
- IYC13, Los Angeles - Delegate
- WTO Public Forum 2026 - Proposal Submission

CERTIFICATIONS

- Community Engagement for Behaviour and Social Change (CE/SBC) in CCCs in Humanitarian Action - UNICEF Agora, 24 June 2026
- Beyond ESG: Sustainable Finance, Energy Security and the Future of Global Development - MLA College, 17 June 2026
- Monitoring and Evaluation - Alison
- Sustainable Development - Alison
- Political Economy of Inequality - University of Derby
- Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN) - Certified Educator
- Chartered Member, Nigerian Institute of Management (NIM)

SKILLS

Programme and Policy: LogFrame Development, MEAL Framework Application, Results-Based Management, Sphere Standards, Child Safeguarding, Social Policy Analysis, Community Needs Assessment, Situation Analysis (SitAn), Country Programme Document (CPD), Humanitarian Action for Children (HAC), Grant Management, Narrative and Financial Donor Reporting, Results-Based Reporting

Child Rights and Protection: UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), UNICEF Core Commitments for Children (CCCs), UNICEF Programme Policy and Procedures, Social and Behaviour Change (SBC), Community Engagement (CE), Human Rights-Based Approach, Gender-Responsive Programming, Beneficiary Protection

Sustainability Frameworks: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Climate Policy, Environmental Sustainability, Post-2030 Development Agenda, Sustainable Finance

Research and Communication: Qualitative Research, Stakeholder Engagement, Policy Brief Writing, Technical Documentation, Advocacy Strategy, Public Speaking and Facilitation

Digital Tools: Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Google Workspace, Canva, Discord

Languages: English (fluent, professional working proficiency)