## Biography



Yazid AKANHO, Technical Engagement Specialist – Middle East and Africa, Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN).

Yazid AKANHO has joined ICANN Org as Technical Engagement Specialist for Africa. His main role is to support ICANN org's technical engagement efforts in the region (trainings, promote standards and best practices, promote research, ...).

His professional career started at Benin Telecoms, the national telecom operator, where he worked in data transmission engineering and contributed to the design of FTTx and 4G LTE network projects, before joining MTN Benin where he held several roles including technical lead on several projects. As a previous ICANN community member,

Yazid has been an active Internet evangelist at various forums such as the Benin DNS Forum, fellow researcher at AFRINIC, Universal Acceptance Steering Group, ISOC Benin, AFRALO, Noncommercial Users Constituency (NCUC), Noncommercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG) and is member of the Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC) Caucus. He has contributed to various initiatives across these groups.