



# **AFRICA REGIONAL REPORT 2022**

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# 1- WEBINAR SERIES



**International Association for Social Science Information Services & Technology**  
**Africa Chapter**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Webinar Series Southern Africa Region**  
**HOST:** East African School of Library and Information Science (EASLIS), Makerere University

**TOPIC** Integrating Data Literacy in LIS Curriculum  
**Moderator**

**Dates:** 17th Sept, 2021  
**Time:** 10am SAT  
11am EAT

**Dr. Chifundo Kanjala**  
Data Documentalist  
London school of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, Malawi

**Panelists**

**Prof. Omwoyo Bosire Onyancha**  
Research Professor  
University of South Africa

**Ms. Nikki Crowster**  
Director  
Information Systems & Resources, UCT Libraries  
LIASA President (2018-2021)

**Mr. Mandla Ntombela**  
Chief Executive Officer,  
South African Library for the Blind  
IFLA Governing Board Member

**Dr. Josiline Chigwada**  
Deputy Librarian  
Chinhoyi University of Technology, Zimbabwe

Zoom Registration link [https://zoom.us/j/webinar/register/!WN\\_0935Xf6sRpxm0u4FC2M3w](https://zoom.us/j/webinar/register/!WN_0935Xf6sRpxm0u4FC2M3w)



**International Association for Social Science Information Services & Technology**  
**Africa Chapter**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Webinar Series East African Region**  
**HOST:** East African School of Library and Information Science (EASLIS), Makerere University

**TOPIC** Impact of Data literacy on Research Data Management  
**Moderator**

**Dates:** 11th Nov, 2021  
**Time:** 2pm EAT

**Mr. Godfrey Nabongo**  
Head, LG Statistics,  
Uganda Bureau of Statistics

**Panelists**

**Prof. Tom Kwanya**  
Director of the School of Information & Communication Studies,  
Technical University of Kenya

**Dr. Fredrick Kiwuwa Lugya**  
University Librarian,  
Busitema University,  
Uganda

**Dr. Florio Arguilas**  
Research Associate,  
Cornell University-USA.  
IASSIST fellows Committee Chair

Zoom Registration link [https://zoom.us/j/webinar/register/!WN\\_1N9F5H2506RY3TL7D0Uw](https://zoom.us/j/webinar/register/!WN_1N9F5H2506RY3TL7D0Uw)

- Regional Webinar Series - Integrating Data Literacy in the LIS curriculum (Southern Africa) Impact of Data Literacy on Research Data Management (Eastern Africa)



# 1- WEBINAR SERIES – CONT'D

The poster is for the 3rd Webinar Series in the Central Africa Region. It features the iassist logo and the Africa Chapter logo. The host is the East African School of Library and Information Science (EASLIS) at Makerere University. The topic is 'Data Literacy in the Covid-19 Pandemic Era'. The dates are 15th Oct, 2021, from 2pm EAT to 12pm CAT. The moderator is Mr. Francis Ssekito from Makerere University, Uganda. The panelists are Prof. Thomas Mboa Nkoudou from the University of Yaounde II, Cameroon, and Dr. Flavio Bonifacio from the University of Turin, Italy. A Zoom registration link is provided at the bottom.

**iasist** International Association for Social Science Information Services & Technology  
**Africa Chapter**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Webinar Series**  
**Central Africa Region**

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Makerere University,  
Uganda

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University of Turin,  
Italy

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- Data Literacy in Practice: Sharing Experiences

○ Impact of Data Literacy on Research Data Management (Western Africa)

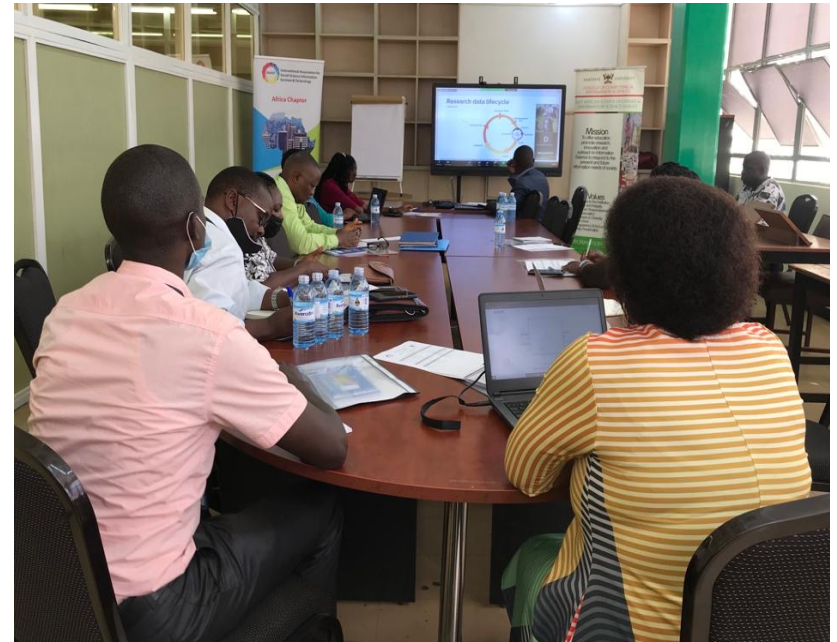


## 2- Hybrid Consultative Workshop on Mapping Data Literacy Curriculum Development.



The workshop aimed at bringing academicians in the field of Library and Information Science to discuss how to and which elements can be used to develop a data literacy curriculum which can be used across Africa  
17 in-person participants from Uganda and 37 Virtual participants from Nigeria, Democratic Republic of Congo, South Africa and Kenya.

## 2- Hybrid Consultative Workshop on Mapping Data Literacy Curriculum Development – Cont'd.



The Workshop was facilitated by Meryl who shared the definition of data literacy is, the research data lifecycle, the role librarians can play in providing data literacy, data skills librarians need, and three data literacy starter classes that may be used for data literacy instruction and Lynette shared some of the learning objectives examples that may be used by the educators when designing DL Curriculum

## Other Data related activities;

- 3. Virtual Data Science Africa Workshop - Northern Cape South Africa:** It was held on 4<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 under the theme “*Women and Data in Africa*”. It aimed at highlighting the work of women data scientists and increased representation of women in Data Science in Africa.
- 4. Virtual Africa Women in Data Science Event –** Held on 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> March, 2022. It aimed to increase African women’s participation in the 4th Industrial Revolution (4IR) and build a prosperous, resilient Africa of the future.



# OTHER ACTIVITIES

- - 3 Webinars
- - Develop a Draft Data Literacy Curriculum for Africa
- - 2<sup>nd</sup> IASSIST Africa Regional Workshop
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**Welcome to;**  
The Second IASSIST Africa Regional Workshop will  
take place from 4<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> October, 2022  
University of Ibadan, Nigeria



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Thank you for listening

