

Digital Justice: How Social Media is Transforming Young People's Health and Rights

ONLINE PANEL DISCUSSION

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Speakers' biographies



SARA (MEG) DAVIS

Project Director and Senior Researcher, [Global Health Centre](#)

Dr. Sara (Meg) Davis is principal investigator of the Digital Health and Rights Project at the Global Health Centre, Graduate Institute, Geneva. She has twenty years' experience in global health and human rights as a scholar and practitioner, and is the author of two books, most recently *The Uncounted: Politics of data in global health* (Cambridge 2020). She earned her PhD at the University of Pennsylvania, and held postdoctoral fellowships at Yale University and UCLA. She was China researcher at Human Rights Watch, and founding executive director of Asia Catalyst, which trained hundreds of community-based organisations on governance and human rights. At the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria, Dr. Davis led early work to operationalise the Fund's commitments on human rights. She has held visiting fellowships at New York University, Columbia University, and Fordham University. She has taught at the Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Temple University, Yale University, and University of Pennsylvania; and has consulted for UN agencies, Global Fund Board delegations, and civil society networks. She is an expert listed on [Shesource](#). In 2017, she was one of three winners of the International Geneva Award.



STEPHEN AGBENYO

Executive Director, [Savana Signatures](#)

Stephen Agbenyo is a PhD Candidate at the St. Paul's University in Kenya. His research interest is the area of mHealth and is passionate about the role of technology in improving the health and wellbeing of women and young people. Stephen is the Executive Director of [Savana Signatures](#), a non-profit organisation in Ghana that focuses on developing and implementing various interventions aimed at improving the health of young people. He is the National Governing Board Chairman of the [Ghana Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights Alliance for Young People](#), an Alliance of Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) working

together to promote the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights of all young people between the ages of ten and twenty-four (10-24) years in Ghana.

Stephen is a 2017 Mandela Washington Fellow and he studied Civic Leadership at the Arizona State University during his fellowship.

**TABITHA HA****Advocacy Manager, [STOPAIDS](#)**

Tabitha Ha is a Strategic Advisor at STOPAIDS, specialising in emerging digital and AI technologies and their impact on health and human rights. She has had multiple roles at STOPAIDS, including as Advocacy Manager. Tabitha is also separately an Advisor to the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria's Strategy Committee Leadership. Her background is in national and global health advocacy and campaigns, especially access to health technologies, and she has previously worked in policy and campaign teams at Oxfam and Restless Development.

**TERRY GACHIE****Country Coordinator, [Love Matters Kenya](#)**

Terry Gachie champions the use of digital media for social change. She believes in leveraging the power of digital media to connect, engage, and empower young people to reach their highest possible potential, especially with regard to their sexuality and sexual health and rights. She advocates for safe digital spaces where young people can freely and unapologetically express themselves. She has over seven years of experience in youth engagement, targeted digital content development and creation of sustainable digital communities.

**CATALINA GONZÁLEZ-URIBE****Professor, [Universidad de los Andes](#)**

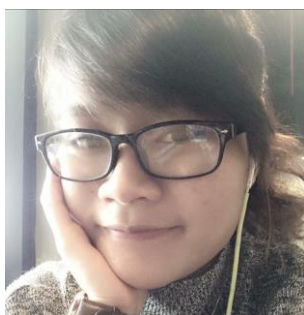
Professor Catalina González-Uribe is a social scientist with doctoral training in epidemiology and public health, currently an associate professor at the School of Medicine and the Director of International Affairs at the Vice presidency of Research and Creation at Universidad de los Andes. Her research focuses on studying the social determinants of health from a mixed-methods perspective in Colombia and Latin American countries. She is currently leading a project about AI and data science-based strategies to inform public health responses to COVID-19 in different local health ecosystems within Colombia. She recently studied the effects of armed conflict on women and men's mental health in Colombian regions. Professor González-Uribe always pursue innovative teaching projects and had the opportunity to co-lead the creation of blended learning graduate degrees in epidemiology at the School of Medicine. Overall, she is

passionate about interdisciplinary work, global citizenship, and intercultural challenges in health research projects.

**NOMTIKA MJWANA**

Project Manager, [The Global Network of People Living with HIV \(GNP+\)](#)

Nomtika is a health advocacy and communications practitioner, with experience in HIV and sexual and reproductive justice programmes. She is currently working as a Project Manager for Digital Health Rights at the Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+).

**TRANG PHAM**

Project Manager, [The VietNameese Network of People Living with HIV \(VNP+\)](#)

Pham Huyen Trang is an activist with six years of experience working in youth NGOs, child-related fields and gender equality and now works as a Project Officer for the VietNameese Network of People Living with HIV (VNP+). Her main job is to advocate for policies to ensure the rights of people living with HIV and to improve their understanding of their rights. She considers herself a passionate community servant with the ability to motivate and inspire individuals in identifying their potential to continue and share this passion to serve others. With this ongoing quest to give, she has been able to promote significant, positive change in communities and individuals through advocacy, empowered by compassion. She takes pride in engaging in a civically based approach to community building as she committed to a life-long service based on personal and professional experiences.

**NGUYEN ANH PHONG**

Social Media Health Champion, [Chuyện của Phong](#)

Nguyen Anh Phong is the Vice Chairman of Ho Chi Minh City Association for HIV/AIDS, a Consultant at My Home Clinic, and an executive board member of the Vietnamese Network of People Living with HIV (VNP+) – Southeast region.

The *Phong's Story* Facebook page and YouTube channel spread information, knowledge, and optimism to people with HIV. Phong has received multiple awards and recognitions for his work as a long-time educator, and is best known for his informative communication sessions on HIV prevention and treatment, safe sex, and stigma reduction in high schools, universities and various training programmes.

**TIGEST TAMRAT****Technical Officer, SRHR, [World Health Organisation \(WHO\)](#)**

Tigest Tamrat is a Technical Officer at the World Health Organization (WHO) based in Geneva, Switzerland. Her work focuses on the use of digital technologies to accelerate health system improvements and support sexual and reproductive health. Within this role, she has coordinated multisite research on the design and impact of digital tools, as well as led key WHO resources in digital health. These include the development of the WHO Guidelines on digital interventions for health system strengthening, the Classification of Digital Health Interventions, Digital Investment Implementation Guide (DIIG), mHealth Assessment and Planning for Scale (MAPS) Toolkit, a handbook on Monitoring and Evaluation of Digital Health Interventions, and the web-based Digital Health Atlas. Trained as an epidemiologist, she holds a Master's in Public Health from Columbia University.