## Web Dialogue: The Enabling Policy Environment for Effective Disaster Management including for COVID-19 Response

## SPEAKER BIO



## **BIOGRAPHY**

Ms Funke Opeke is founder and CEO of MainOne. MainOne is West Africa's leading Business-to-Business communications and network solutions provider that built the region's first open-access submarine cable system interconnecting Lagos, Nigeria; Accra, Ghana; and Seixal, Portugal in 2010, a \$240 million-dollar project that was completed in time and on budget. In January 2015, the company launched operations of MDXi – a \$40 million investment resulting in West Africa's largest Tier III data center which currently hosts major global and indigenous content. Since then, the company has partnered to deliver services in ten countries in the region including extending its submarine cable to Cameroon with Cameroon Telecoms, and to Ivory Coast and Senegal in partnership with the Orange Group. She is a member of the Advisory Board of the Alliance for an Affordable Internet and recently chaired the Committee to develop Nigeria's National Broadband Plan 2020 – 2025 which was launched in March 2020.