# Yazid Akanho

Hard worker, Yazid is an engineer with many years professional experience in data transmission, IP networks, IT and security with the two major telecom operators in Benin: Benin Telecom and MTN Benin. He devotes a lot of time volunteering to improve Internet, promoting technologies and fighting against digital divide in Benin and in Africa.

Yazid has conducted the revitalization process of Internet Society Benin Chapter in 2018 and has been elected Vice-President in March 2019. He is also an active member of IGBANET Association and has been involved in the organization of several local and regional ICT and Internet Governance events like: Barcamp Bénin, Benin DNS Forum, Woman DNS Academy, Benin IGF, and Benin Internet Governance School, Africa DNS Forum. He is lecturer in a private University in Benin and loves to share his knowledge with the community.

AIS'19 and ICANN66 Fellow, Yazid is active in the AFRINIC Community, at NCUC and AFRALO. Yazid loves to listen to music, bikes and cars as well as watching TV documentaries.

Focus areas: Access, Capacity development, Critical infrastructures, cybersecurity, DNS.