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Short Bio

Olufunlayo ‘Funmi’ Bammeke is Professor of Sociology at the Department of Sociology, University of Lagos, Akoka, Lagos Nigeria. She has committed over two decades to her areas of academic and research interests which have centred primarily on gender and development and child/youth studies, especially abuse and deprivations; and secondarily on Sociology of Education and Sociology of the Family. She obtained her Ph.D. and M.Sc. degrees in Sociology from the University of Lagos. She had her undergraduate studies at the University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University) Ile-Ife where she obtained a B.A. (Hons) in English. She also holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Journalism from the Nigerian Institute of Journalism, Lagos. Funmi Bammeke has had the privilege of international trainings which have enhanced her capacity to undertake research in these areas. She has been a laureate of the Gender Institute of the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) Dakar, Senegal and The African Gender Institute, University of Cape Town, South Africa. She also benefitted from the MenEngage Alliance Training Initiative (MATI) on Masculinities, Leadership and Gender Justice in Sub-Saharan Africa organized by the Sonke Gender Justice Network and the University of Cape Town, South Africa. A beneficiary of the Ford Foundation grant to participate in the International Youth Development Exchange (IYDE) project with training on the youth development curriculum, she has brought these trainings to bear on her teaching and research. She has served as external examiner to universities within and outside Nigeria and has published widely in local and international journals. She has collaborated with

colleagues in Nigeria, Ghana, South Africa and the USA to undertake studies in childhood maltreatment, adolescents' abuse, relationship/partner violence and the implications of household headship for children's education among others. She is a member of the Nigerian Anthropological and Sociological Association (NASA) and the International Sociological Association (ISA) among others. She is passionate about the protection and development of children and young people and this passion finds expression in her activities as she sits on the boards of Centre for Youth Studies, STEM Initiative for Girls and Future Leaders Foundation; all committed to the education, development and protection of children and young people. She has served the Department of Sociology, the Faculty of Social Sciences and the University of Lagos in various capacities. She is currently Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences.