Nomination for position as a representative of the Africa region of CALC

Rahila Amosha Olu-Silas (Nigeria) who accepts the nomination

Nominated by Estelle Appiah (Ghana)

Seconded by Lucy Marsh-Smith (Jersey)

Rahila is a Legislative Drafter who has served in the Office of the Attorney-General of Plateau State, Nigeria as a Counsel for 14 years. In 2020 Rahila was part of a team that drafted the Plateau State Revenue (Consolidation) which harmonized the revenue administration process of both the State and Local Governments into a single administrative process.

Rahila’s desire to improve drafting standards led to her initiating continuous training of lawyers in the Ministry of Justice and the automation of the legislative drafting and publishing processes of the Executive arm of Plateau State Government. Her proposal led to the adoption of the use of a legislative drafting assistant by the Office of the Attorney General and the publication of Plateau State Government Laws (both current and historical) in accessible format. The State is currently working with Open Law Library Washington D.C on a Plateau State Law Library (see <http://demo.plateau.ng.open.law/>)

Rahila also initiated the Office of the Attorney General hosting the World Legal Summit 2019 (<http://worldlegalsummit.org/wls-2019-global-report/>) which brought together lawyers and technologists from different parts of Nigeria to explore the development of legislative frameworks for dealing with emerging technologies and related global systems.

Rahila considers it a great honour, if elected, to be able to contribute effectively to the work of CALC. She is keen to promote, in the Africa region and through a larger platform, the drafting of clear and effective legislation and cooperation in matters of professional interest among legislative drafters. She hopes to see an increased adoption of the use of an automated legislative drafting assistant in the Africa region to support the work of legislative drafters and the expansion of CALC’s work and influence in the Africa region, bringing more legislative Drafters into CALC to contribute to on-going work.