1. **Role at AFFORD:** Chairman.
2. **Education: Qualifications (you can add in institution where comfortable):**
3. **Specialities: (100 words max):** Researcher, broadcasting (radio and TV), Communications including print journalism. Expert on African politics, development
4. **Experience: (100 words max) If your contribution is more than 100 words please be as concise as possible and if we need to edit we will confirm the final copy with you before it goes live.**

I am a communications and journalism professional of over 35 years experience. I was educated in Sierra Leone and the UK. Founder member of the Sierra Leone Diaspora Network and the Sierra Leone – UK Diaspora Ebola Response Taskforce (SLUKDERT);

Experienced Communications Professional (including broadcast and print journalism); editor (co-editor, Journal of Sierra Leones Studies, editor-in-chief, Promota Africa magazine; Experienced radio (BBC World Service) and TV broadcaster; Consultant on African Diaspora affairs; Media commentator on African affairs.

1. **Why AFFORD: (100 words max):** AFFORD can be at the forefront in shaping the discourse, highlighting how entrepreneurship and innovation can impact Africa and create jobs in the coming decades. No one else is doing this and we must seize the initiative to set and shape the agenda. AFFORD already has a proven record in this regard and its vision for the future is one I would very much like to be a part of.
2. **I am passionate about Africa because: (100 words max):** Having grown up in an African country and visited several more, I have a desire to see the continent’s talents appreciated, recognised and utilised for the benefit of all.