Plenary Session 1 – MIL as a defense against misinformation, false news, disaster risk reduction and management

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Parallel Session 1b - MIL as a tool for gender equality and advocacy in information environments

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Parallel Session 1c – MIL for journalists' safety, freedom of information, freedom of expression and to build trust in journalism

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Plenary Session 2 - Resetting MIL in the present information and media landscape

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- Has written, published and presented extensively on Caribbean media affairs and a wide range of subjects related to press freedom and media development
- Winner of 2017 Percy Qoboza Foreign Journalist Award by the US National Association of Black Journalists in recognition for his press freedom activism
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Parallel Session 2b - The potential of media and libraries and technological intermediaries to support MIL

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Parallel Session 2c - MIL for social inclusion, dialogue, and development (culture, gender, ethnicity, religion, and capabilities)

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Parallel Session 3a - MIL revolutionizing the learning process

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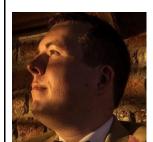
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