

Heroines and Heroes of the Revolution

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These are My Heroines

They may not be yours

But they should be
remembered

Alvise Nobile



UN Intl Center for Theoretical Physics / Trieste
The First Network Workshops - ever, anywhere

Karen Banks



Mike Jensen



Many NGOs
PeaceNet
GreenNet
UUCP & FidoNet



Scott Weikart



Steve Fram

Often the First
Networks in
A Region

Pascal Renaud



Many NGO Networks
in West Africa

UUCP-based

Much Tech Transfer

Sana Bellamine



Tunis, Tunisia
with Kamel Saadaoui

First ping to Africa,
Beat ZA by two weeks

Taught in workshops

Pat Terry



F F Jacot
Guillarmod



Rhodes University

Brought net to ZA
FidoNet - '88

UUCP - '89

Internet - '90

Jacot first hacker
Also helped Zim, ...

Victor Shaw



Formed UNINET/ZA

Empowered Unis
Empowered Engineers
Got ZA funding

Negotiated
Anti-Apartheid
Agreements

Mike Lawrie



Wrote FidoNet-
UNINET Gateway

Effectively CTO of
UNINET/ZA

‘Pushed’ the
Engineers

Negotiated with NSF
and other folk

Nashwa Abdel-Baki



Egyptian University Network
Built Single-handedly
13 Universities
Five protocols
EG ccTLD
Taught in workshops

Christophe Brun

Dakar, Senegal

Brought folk into
his net from
Guinea etc.

Helped teach
many people

Jo-Anne Scott

APC Core

Admin of INET Workshops

Admin of AfNOG & Wkshps

Taught Admin to Others!

e.g. Nancy Dotse (on right)

Allen Mirembe (on left)



Eric Stevance



Bamako, Mali

Taught in many
workshops

Broke the silence about
many regulatory / telco
issues before others

Alan Barrett



UND link to Rhodes/net

Co-Founder of first ISP,
TICSA

AfNOG Founder and
Workshop Teacher

AfriNIC Board and CEO

Chris Pinkham



Paul Nash



TICSA, Internet Africa
First Commercial ISP in
Africa, Cape Town 1992

Steve Song



Steve Song, gestionnaire des programmes en technologies de l'information et de la communication au service du développement (TIC-D) du CRDI en Afrique

On the ground
since early 1990

Grass roots vision

IDRC funding

Pierre Ouedraogo



Francophonie.Org

French/Anglo Alliance

Funding for Francophones
and Translators

Building Alliances

Steve Goldstein



US NSF

Incited and Paid for
many many connections

Maybe the one person
who did most for
international and
developing country
networking

Michuki Mwangi



Massive work Spreading
Infrastructure all over
Africa

IXPs

Clue at many levels

Makes ISOC useful

Dorcas Muthoni



Workshop Teacher

AfChix (hands on Linux
teaching in East Africa)

Slow Learners: They're Still Here!!!

- Lucy Lynch
- Sara Alamin
- NSRC:
 - Patrick Okui, Steve Huter, Hervey Allen,
 - Phil Regnauld, Khoudia Gueye SY
- Ant Brooks (JINX)
- Mark Tinka (workshops)
- Sunday Folayan
- Isatou Jah

Anti-Heroes

- Monopoly PTTs
- Colonial Bandwidth Providers
 - Force NATs
 - Entrench Monopoly PTTs
- Clueless Flag-Planting Donors
- Clueless Flag-Planting Wannabe Techies
- <https://psg.com/on-technocolonialism>

Old Age is not for Sissies

Surely I have forgotten folk

It is not that I thought their
contribution small

It is failing memory at my age