

Brief Bio of Prof. S. Yunkap Kwankam



Prof. S. Yunkap Kwankam is a world-renowned expert on digital health. He holds a Ph.D. in electrical engineering, and was elected to the following American honor associations; Eta Kappa Nu (Electrical Engineering), Tau Beta Pi (Engineering) and Sigma Xi (Research). He is currently CEO of Global eHealth Consultants, a Geneva-based consultancy, which has developed national digital health policies and strategies for several countries and international organizations. He is also Executive Director, International Society for Telemedicine and eHealth (ISfTeH), and serves, or has served, on several digital health advisory bodies including: Global Alliance for Health and Social Compact Advisory Board; World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Digital Health; Innovation Working Group Task Force on the Global Knowledge Commons for m-eHealth (Co-Chair); International Council of Nurses eHealth Strategy Advisory Group, Mobile Health Global Advisory Committee, of the Mobile World Capital's mHealth Competence Center, Barcelona, Spain; Care Innovation Corporation (Chief Innovation Adviser); African Development Bank eHealth Awards Committee (Co-Chair); WHO-PMNCH Advisory group on ICT for health; and SatelLife Board of Directors.

As founding eHealth Coordinator at the World Health Organization HQ, Geneva (2004 – 2008), he was responsible for overall coordination of eHealth across the Organization, and Executive Head of the Global Observatory for eHealth (GOe). Before joining WHO in 2001, he was Professor and Director, Center for Health Technology, University of Yaoundé, Cameroon. He has also served as a consultant to WHO, ITU, UNIDO, the World Bank, and the US National Library of Medicine (NLM).