



Bio

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Mantate has served on advisory boards at national, regional, and global levels, helping to shape strategies and programs across civic and political spaces. She is currently a visiting scholar at the **University of Westminster** in London and is pursuing a Master's in Global African Studies (Diplomacy and International Relations track) at **The Africa Institute**. She also holds an MSc in African Studies from the **University of Oxford** and a BSc in Psychology from the **University of Zimbabwe**.

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