

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

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Aramide (Lola) Owoaje serves as Director of Strategic Planning and Policy at the Office of the Languages Commissioner of Nunavut. In this role, she works closely with the Languages Commissioner to support the protection and promotion of the language rights of Nunavummiut under the Official Languages Act and the Inuktitut Protection Act. She work closely with the languages Commissioner.

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With a professional background in accounting, audit, policy development, and investigation, Ms. Owoaje brings a strong governance and compliance perspective to her work. Having lived in Iqaluit for over a decade, she is deeply committed to supporting the vitality and recognition of languages in Nunavut.

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