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I am Burundian, founder and Coordinator of Gay Christian Africa Project.

I am currently doing a specialisation masters in international screenwriting and Production at Catholic university of Sacred Heart, Milan, Italy. I hold a bachelor degree in Mass Communication and a double master's degree in Political science and philosophy of Ethics and Relationships From Sophia University Institute and Università Degli Studi di Perugia.

I worked over 4 years as a communication manager of T4NA Project. A project that aims to empower African young people to face key challenges of their continent by promoting and developing a culture of unity suited to the African context through lived experiences, training, mentoring and networking. In 2021 -2022, I worked at the secretariat of the international center of Politics for Unity Movement (Mppu).

An international network of politicians, ordinary citizens, diplomats and officials involved at various levels, administrators, academics, researchers, young people interested in political issues, of different inspiration and parties, who wish to respond, on a personal and collective level, to the great questions that humanity faces today, recognizing in universal fraternity the content and the specific method of their political commitment.

I hope it can be helpful. I remain at your disposal for further information if needed.

George White



George White is a transgender man and a Catholic teacher of Religious Education at St. Paul's Catholic school in Leicester which is the school he attended as a child. In 2009, he was baptised in the school chapel at the age of 16. He holds a BA in Philosophy and Theology from Heythrop College, University of London and an MA in Global Ethics and Human Values from King's College London. Prior to beginning his teacher training, he spent a year living with two religious order communities in Macclesfield and London assisting with the running of retreats. He also holds a Secondary PGCE in Religious Studies from the University of Cambridge.

He is also a trustee of two inclusive Catholic organisations; Quest where he leads on education and a trustee at Million Minutes where he leads on safeguarding. He has delivered conferences on LGBT+ Inclusion in Catholic Schools to the NEU, Schools Inclusion Alliance, ASCL and more. George has appeared on BBC Radio 4, BBC Radio Leicester and GB News to discuss the importance of making Catholic schools more inclusive for the LGBT+ community. In addition, he is a published author having contributed to *Diverse Educators: The Manifesto* with a piece which focuses on the protected characteristics of religion and belief, sexual orientation and gender reassignment.

George now teaches part time and is offering CPD for educators, schools and teacher training colleges who want to explore the ways in which they make Catholic spaces more inclusive of the LGBT+ community.