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Sayo, Phet's work, for the last decade, has centered on the networked information society and its impact on human development in South and Southeast Asia. Sayo has worked on policies governing the Internet; intellectual property rights (issues like software piracy and copyright infringement); and alternative delivery models for information and communication technologies (ICTs), like free open-source software. As a senior member of IDRC's Pan Asia Networking team, he manages research that aims to help communities make the best use of ICTs. Before joining IDRC, Sayo worked with the United Nations Development Programme, based in Malaysia and Thailand. As an author and editor, he has contributed to numerous publications, including *ICT Policies and e-Strategies in the Asia-Pacific: A Critical Assessment of the Way Forward*; and *Internet Governance: Asia-Pacific Perspectives*. Sayo holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA.

