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**General Manager for Cisco in Nigeria**

Olakunle Oloruntimehin is the General Manager for Cisco in Nigeria, responsible for all areas of Cisco's business across government and private sector organizations. He also works closely with Cisco's partner ecosystem in the region. His responsibilities extend to driving and forging close relationships with government and private sector stakeholders, while ensuring that Cisco's business objectives and goals are closely aligned.

Prior to this he was head of Systems Engineering Sales in Sub Saharan Africa for Cisco Systems and also a Director of Cisco Systems Nigeria. In addition to serving on Cisco Systems Nigeria board, he oversaw the development and implementation of the technology sales investment strategy and provided strategic direction to several functions and business teams comprising more than 300 Channel Partner organizations. His responsibilities included Sales, Technology, Strategy and Operations management.

Olakunle joined Cisco from MTN Nigeria, where he was a Carrier Services Specialist in the Network Group and a pioneer staff responsible for GSM and Mobile services roll out in Nigeria. Olakunle has also worked earlier in his career as a Network projects engineer in Shell Nigeria (SPDC). He joined Shell in Lagos after his National Youth Service year. Olakunle is a Member of many international organizations covering technology and Engineering. He is also part of different expert councils offering market intelligence research support to clients in the area of Internet of Things, Cloud and Telecommunications.

Olakunle has authored publications in the area of Mobile Networks, Internet of Things and Cloud computing. He has received numerous engineering and business honours till date. He currently supports the Ovie Brume foundation, where social and education interventions are leveraged to facilitate secondary and tertiary school outcomes for indigent children in Nigeria. He has been in the forefront of promoting the Girls in ICT day in Nigeria, working with secondary schools and the Cisco Networking academy program.

He received a BSc in Electrical and Electronic Engineering (1999) from the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, a postgraduate degree from the University of Durham Business School (2007) and Executive Education- Accelerated Development Program from The University of Chicago Booth School of Business (2015). He is married and has two children.