

Tolu Olubunmi

Founder and CEO of Lions Write

[Tolu Olubunmi](#) is an entrepreneur and global advocate for migrants, refugees, and displaced people. An innovative thinker and determined change-maker, she has established and led numerous NGOs and campaigns focused on immigrant integration, employment, access to technology, and education.

Tolu is the founder and CEO of Lions Write, a social venture that builds and manages initiatives committed to giving voice and value to the voiceless, and strengthening collaborations between corporations, governments and civil society organizations. She co-founded [Immigrant Heritage Month](#) and has helped draft and implement U.S. immigration policies.

Tolu serves on the World Economic Forum's Global Future Council on Migration and co-chairs [Mobile Minds](#)—a high-skilled migration project advancing cross-border remote working as a 21st century alternative to physical migration. She also sits on the [Board of Directors of USA for IOM](#) (the UN Migration Agency), and serves as an [Advisors to the social impact investment platform, BRAVA Investments](#).

In recognition of her work on behalf migrants and refugees, she received the Anti-Defamation League's Kay Family Award and was honored at the 2017 ADL In Concert Against Hate. In 2015, the World Economic Forum named her One of 15 Women Changing the World and an Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur.

Tolu is often called upon to share her expertise and inspiring personal story with a variety of entities, including the United Nations, Barnard College at Columbia University, Gates Foundation, World Bank, New York University, and the White House. Her story and work has been profiled by several media outlets, including NBC, TIME, BBC, BET, and MSNBC.

Tolu is an inaugural Leadership Institute Fellow at the Center for American Progress and holds a Chemistry-Engineering degree from Washington and Lee University.

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