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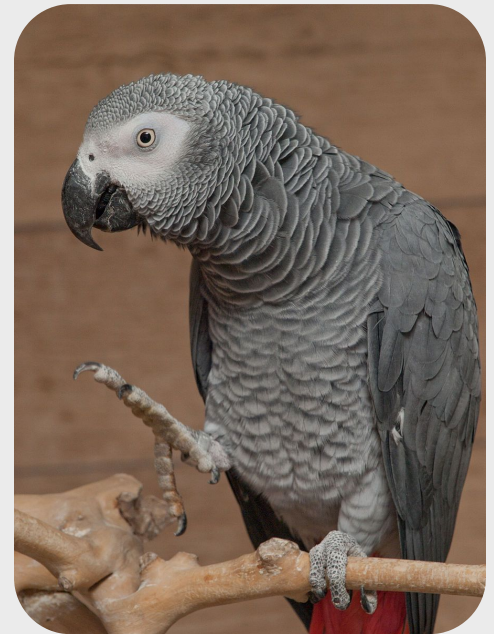
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New Technology, New Crimes

Internet usage in Rwanda is growing rapidly. **By 2024, the Rwandan government aim for 80% of the population** to be using the internet. Exposure to new technology will leave people in Rwanda and across the Global South vulnerable to abuse and exploitation.

Professor Julia Davidson and colleagues at the Institute for Connected Communities, the University of Rwanda and the 5Rights Foundation have been collaborating with the Government of Rwanda to develop a child online protection policy (implemented in 2019) and a 5-year implementation plan to protect people as they explore the new possibilities and opportunities of the internet.

Working with stakeholders in Rwanda, Professor Davidson and her colleagues co-designed an awareness raising campaign. The programme has been adopted by the Youth Safeguarding Network in Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Zambia and South Africa.
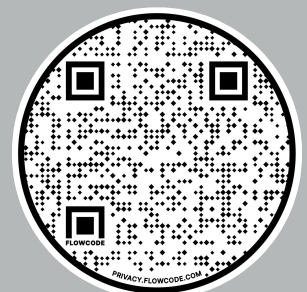
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Use the internet. Don't let it use you.

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Grey parrots are important symbols of intelligence and royalty across Africa. As a recognisable symbol, the image of the grey parrot will reach out to all generations.

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