

### **Tokumbo Shobowale - Bio**

Tokumbo E. O. Shobowale is the Chief of Staff to the Deputy Mayor for Economic Development of New York City. In this capacity he coordinates economic policy development for the Office of the Mayor, as well as oversight of more than a dozen agencies—including those responsible for affordable housing financing, construction and preservation; city planning; business services and workforce development; tax policy and tax collections; business attraction and retention; and economic development broadly across the five boroughs of New York City. Previously Tokumbo was Chief Operating Officer of the New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC), the City's vehicle for stimulating investment across industry sectors and broadening the City's tax and employment base by meeting the needs of businesses large and small. Prior to this he served as an Executive Vice President overseeing strategy and policy, business development, and energy policy. Before joining NYCEDC, Tokumbo was a strategy consultant for McKinsey & Company and also for Dalberg Development, a firm that works to strengthen global public institutions (e.g. UN and bilateral aid agencies). Previously, he was Honduras program director for a not-for-profit organization facilitating rural enterprise and energy development. He serves on the boards of the Excellence Boys and Excellence Girls Charter Schools, and is the founding chair of the board of the Leadership Prep Charter Schools in Bedford Stuyvesant, Brownsville, and Ocean Hill Brooklyn. Tokumbo earned an A.B. from Stanford University, an M.A. from the Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs, and an M.B.A. from the MIT Sloan School of Management, earning each degree with academic distinction. He lives in Fort Greene, Brooklyn with his wife Sheethal.