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# NORTHERN WOMEN ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT

**28 NOVEMBER, 2021** 

**NEW FACES NEW VOICES - NIGERIA** 

# TEAM AND SPEAKERS



Kano Chambers of Commerce (KACCIMA), Behind Shoprite, Zoo Road, Kano



9:00AM

**FOR MORE INFO:** 

www.nfnvnigeria.org/nwees-2021







# **ABOUT NWEES 2021**

ew Faces, New Voices – Nigeria organises a one-day in-person Northern Women Economic Empowerment Summit in Kano State on Sunday November 28, 2021. The aim of the summit is to prepare women entrepreneurs to face post Covid-19 businesses' challenges.

The theme of the summit is "Empowering Women Entrepreneurs: A Panacea for Poverty Reduction and Job-Creation in Northwest Nigeria."

## Background

Globally, there are varying agitations for women empowerment in businesses.

Similar aspirations are fervently yearned for, in seeing greater representation of women in politics, a key barometer that would create a gateway to women developments in all spheres of lives.

It is believed that if women are to be granted at least 30% representation in politics, most of their aspirations would come to fruition, including economic empowerment.

In Nigeria, a number of women empowerment plans have been designed on exports, renewable energy, entrepreneurship, etc. with marginal records of implementations and actualisation.

# **Why NWEES 2021?**

With the Northern Women Economic Empowerment Summit, New Faces, New Voices – Nigeria plans to stimulate discussions on the following:



- i. Examine and offer solutions to the factors that caused economic derailment and backwardness of business women and entrepreneurs in the Northwest, Nigeria.
- ii. To boost the economic potentials of women in the geo-political zone, and showcase the abundant opportunities available to the region.
- iii. To explore potentials for job creation, especially for women, who are the worst hit by poverty after Covid-19.
- iv. To facilitate women's access to credits, business materials and other financial support for the revamp and development of their enterprises.
- v. To postulate a prospective vision for northern Nigerian business women and entrepreneurs.
- vi. To encourage rural women to develop entrepreneurial skills for enhanced business transactions
- vii. To encourage women to overcome 'non availability' of National Identity Number (NIN) syndrome. iix. To integrate women entrepreneurs into the digital world, for robust business engagements. (The 2019 GSMA data survey, revealed only 35 per cent of women, as opposed to 50 per cent of men, used smart phones).



# **NFNV-Nigeria Team**



ajiya (Dr) Amina Mohammed Namadi Sambo was born on 31st January 1965 in the ancient city of Kano in Nigeria. She has a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from the prestigious Bayero University, Kano in Nigeria. She obtained Diploma in Arabic and Islamic Studies from Al-Manar International College, Kaduna. She attended a course on leadership in Strategic Health Communication at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in Baltimore – Maryland, USA.

A successful business woman and consummate philanthropist, Hajiya Amina is the Founder of an NGO, I Care Women and Youth Initiative; Founder of Daru Na'eem Academy – Abuja (Nigeria); Patron of Diabetics Association of Nigeria; Grand Patron of New Faces New Voices-Nigeria; and Member of International Advisory Council, Global Peace Women. She is a recipient of many national and international awards and accolades.

Hajiya (Dr) Amina Mohammed Namadi Sambo is mother to six lovely children and four grandchildren.



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Shehu Mohammed had his secondary school education at Barewa College, Zaria and King's College, Lagos. For his professional accounting qualification, he attended Worthing College, Sussex and Slough College of Technology, Berkshire in the United Kingdom (UK) where he qualified in 1975 as an associate member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA).

He also attended senior executive programmes at the University of Nigeria Nsukka (Enugu Campus) in 1978, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, USA in 1985 and the London Business School (LBA) in 1989.

He has over 20 years experiences in banking and finance starting from the position of accountant/investment executive at the New Nigeria Development Co. Ltd. (NNDC) Kaduna, 1975-1976, and group chief accountant, Kano State Hotels Management, 1977-1980.

He was also assistant general manager (1980-1986), deputy general manager (1986-1988) and executive director (1988-1990) of First Bank of Nigeria Plc. He was the managing director/CEO of



### **ALH. SHEHU MUHAMMED, (FCA, FCCA)**

Allied Bank of Nigeria Plc., (1990-1998).

He worked for short periods with the Standard Chartered Merchant Bank Limited, London, United Kingdom (1982) and the Standard Chartered Merchant Bank Limited, Harare, Zimbabwe (1985).

Presently, he holds the traditional title of Sarkin Shanun Kano and is the managing director/CEO of Integrated Development and Investment Services Limited (IDIS).

Shehu Mohammed is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (FCA), and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, United Kingdom, (FCCA). He serves on the boards of several companies in Nigeria.



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harles Ayodeji Adeogun-Phillips is the founding partner of Charles Anthony LLP. Between 1998 and 2010, he successfully led teams of international prosecutors in 12 precedent setting genocide trials before the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the Former Yugoslavia which spanned over 12 years, making him arguably one of the most experienced and successful genocide prosecutors in history.

In 2013, Charles successfully represented Christopher Mtikila, the outspoken Tanzanian politician, in his precedent setting case against the Tanzanian Government, before the African Court on Human and People's Rights, resulting in amendments to Tanzania's electoral laws to allow for independent candidacy for election to public office. He also advises African governments on ICC related transitional justice issues.

In November 2016, Charles led the unprecedented corruption trial of a Justice of the Supreme Court of Nigeria, Sylvester Ngwuta JSC.

In 2020, he was appointed by the Federal Republic of Nigeria as Counsel/Advocate in the San Padre Pio Case instituted by the Swiss



### CHARLES AYODEJI ADEOGUN-PHILLIPS

Confederation against the Federal Republic of Nigeria, before the International Tribunal for Law of the Sea (ITLOS) in Hamburg.

Born in London England, on March 6, 1966, Charles was educated at Repton and read law at Warwick and London universities, following which, he was admitted as a Solicitor of the Superior Courts in England and Wales in 1996 and as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Nigeria in 1992.

In July 2019, he was invited to give the graduation speech at his alma mater, Warwick University, following which, in December 2019, he was the awarded the honourary degree of Doctor of Laws, LL.D by the same university, in recognition of his outstanding work as an international lawyer and advocate.

He is cited in Creswell's "Who's Who in Public International Law" and in the International Yearbook and Statesmen's Who's Who. With other leading international criminal law practitioners and/or academics around the world, Charles contributed to the book; International Criminal Investigations: Law and Practice, published by Eleven International at The Hague in 2017. He currently sits on the Membership and Professional Standards committees of the International Criminal Court Bar Association at The Hague and is a Council member of the Section of Legal Practice of the Nigerian Bar Association.



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ecilia Akintomide is an Attorney, with expertise in Corporate Governance, and Development Finance. She serves as an Independent Non-Executive Director on the Boards of FBN Holdings Plc.; Ondo State Development and Investment Promotion Agency (ONDIPA); and CcHUB Growth Capital. Previously, she served as Vice President Secretary General of the African Development Bank (AfDB), and prior to that, as the Head of Public and Private Sector Project Finance, in the Legal Department of the same institution.

Prior to her 20-year career at the AfDB, Cecilia practiced law in Lagos, Washington D.C., and New York, at the law firms of O. Thomas & Co.; Thompson & Co.; and Weil, Gotshal & Manges.

Cecilia holds a Law degree from the University of Ife (now OAU); Master of Laws from the University of Miami Law School; Master of Laws from the University of Pennsylvania Law School; and is a member of the Class of 2019 of the TRIUM Global Executive MBA Program. She is a member of the Nigerian Bar (1986), the New York State Bar (1990), and



### **CECILIA AKINTOMIDE**

was also admitted to the Eastern and Southern District Bars of New York (1992).

Cecilia is an ardent champion of Girl's and Women's Economic Empowerment. She is a deacon and a member of the church choir. She holds gold and bronze medals in swimming, and was accorded the National Award of Officer of the Order of the Niger (OON) by the Federal Government of Nigeria, in recognition of her contribution to development.



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ictoria Olutayo Odumosu is a seasoned Administrator and Public Servant who rose through the ranks of Officer to Director in the Civil Service Commission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. She acted as the Executive Secretary of an Agency under the Presidency between 2017-2018 (Border Communities Development Agency) with the mandate of Developing the Infrastructure of the International Border Communities, after the expiration of the tenure of the then Executive Secretary.

From 1991 to 2008, 'Tayo Odumosu successfully served as the Head of Protocol Department in the Industrial Training Fund, a Grade "A" Parastatal of the Federal Republic of Nigeria charged with the sole responsibility of promoting and encouraging the acquisition of skills in industries and commerce with a view of generating a pool of indigenous trained manpower sufficient to meet the needs of the economy.

In 2003 she was appointed the AGM, Project of 8th All African Games (COJA). She became the Pioneer Head of ITF Corporate Office Abuja in 2004-2008; Coordinating the ITF Inter-Governmental Relations at the seat of power-Abuja. She also headed the External Relations and Exhibitions Department of the ITF between 2008 and 2010.



### **VICTORIA OLUTAYO ODUMOSU**

Born in Ogbomoso, Oyo State, Nigeria. She was educated at the University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University). Studied English Education as First Degree in 1983. She was engaged by the University in 1985, as Part-Time Lecturer at the Department of English Language Faculty of Art, teaching Use of English which is a Fundamental Course generally for ALL InComing Students at that time. In 2001 had her 2nd Degree in Human Resources Management at the Federal University of Technology Akure.

'Tayo Odumosu has to her credit not less than 20 Scholarly Publications from 1991-2002. She is a member of Nigerian Institute of Public Relations (NIPR), Nigerian Institute of Management (NIM), Nigerian Institute of Training and Development (NITAD) and a FELLOW of the Chartered Institute of Administration (CIA).

'Tayo Odumosu has attended both Local and International Conferences, Fora, Trade Exhibitions and Short Courses that really broadened her horizon.



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**Country Director and** Member, Board of Trustees, NFNV-Nigeria **Welcome Address** 

isha is a Nigerian Independent child, born 1st October 1960 in Kaura-Namoda, Zamfara State. Started her business career in the family business, while still pursuing her higher education. She runs BIBI'S as a sole- proprietor, concentrating on importation of greeting cards, souvenirs, household and gift items.

She was appointed Financial Secretary, EMPRETEC-NIGERIA (Kano Chapter) a UNDP Alumni Business Forum since 1993 till date. GEMS3 (DFID) Trained Women Economic Empowerment/Access to Finance facilitator (Certificate holder). Held the positions of Deputy Treasurer and Vice-President respectively as Council member of Kano Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines & Agriculture between

2004 to 2011. Chairperson, Membership committee 2007 to 2011, Deputy Chair, Trade-fair committee 2006 to 2011. Vice-Chair, Monitoring and Evaluation. Lead two Trade Missions to China 2007 and 2009.

Planned and organised the 1st and 2nd West African Trade-Fair in Kano 2008 and 2009. Lead NFNVNIGERIA Women Enterpreneurs to participate and exhibit at the Cairo Congress 2015. She is an Alumni of Leap Africa (Class 93). She is a three term Mentor for YOUWIN



### AISHATU DEBOLA AMINU

program, 2012 to 2013, 2013 to 2014, 2014 to 2015(Youth Enterprise with Innovation in Nigeria).

She is a Tony Elumelu Entrepreneurship Mentor 2015/ 2016/2017/2018. Aishatu is the MD/CEO, BIBI NIGERIA ENTERPRISES, Director, SANAHA NIGERIA COMPANY and Executive Director, BOVARA LIMITED. Our popcorn kernels "BIBIS READY TO POP POP-CORN KERNELS" was nominated "BEST POPCORN KERNEL OF THE YEAR 2016", (African Product Awards 'Lagos' 2016) by the Institute for Government Research Leadership Technology. Just diversified into production of coconut and sesame oil.

As NFNV-NIGERIA Country Director, she initiated the Chapter's flagship project "RAISING VOICES FOR WOMEN CROSS BORDER TRADERS IN WEST AFRICA" 1st Phase supported by UKAID and the 2nd Phase supported by UPS which birthed WEST AFRICAN WOMEN CROSS BORDER TRADERS ASSOCIATION (AFOACT) in 2018.

Aishatu received The GRACA MACHEL TRUST Impact Award in Maputo, Mozambique December, 2017. And in 2021, she received the prestigious Aminu Kano Excellence Award (AKEA).



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# **Speakers**



PROF. BADAYI M. SANI Economics. Department, BUK Speaker



FURERA ISMA JUMARE
Director General,
Jigawa State Investment Promotion Agency
Speaker



# **Speakers**



PROF. KABIR ISA DANDAGO
Dept. of Accountancy, BUK
Speaker



DR. BINTA SULE GAYA
Dept. of Mass Communications, BUK
Speaker



# **Speakers**



### DR. DIKKO UMARU RADDA

Director General Small & Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN)

**Guest Speaker** 



### **AISHA USMAN MOHAMMED**

NFNV-Nigeria Gombe State Representative

**Closing Remarks** 



# **Speakers**



MAL. IBRAHIM SADAUKI KABARA NFNV-Nigeria NWEES 2021 Consultant Rapporteur

Ibrahim S. Kabara is a retired Union Bank Senior Manager, who started his early education in 1967 from Jarkasa primary school in Kano city.

He obtained his Teacher Grade 2 Certificate from School for Arabic Studies, Kano and proceeded to Kano Polytechnic, where he obtained ND (Bus Mgt), HND ((Bus Adm) in 1981 and 1997 respectively. He also added colours to his qualifications by obtaining ADPA, PGDM and MBF from the Bayero University, Kano (in 1992/1998/1999 respectively).

As a trained teacher, Ibrahim Kabara took up classroom teaching in Government Commercial College, Wudil (1981) and later in the same year, he switched his career to Union Bank as 'B' Signatory Trainee.

While in the services of Union Bank, he held various positions ranging from Data Processing Manager (1985), Branches Manager and Senior Relationship Manager (Corporate Banking), a seat he occupied until his retirement in March, 2004. He attended all the bank's basic and numerous electronic data processing and senior management courses (organised by the bank and reputable consulting firms like CMD, NIM, COAN, UNIJOS, etc).

On the international scene, Mallam Ibrahim attended a conference of International Association for Media & Community Research (Cairo July, 2006). He also attended an international workshop on Nigeria/Niger Literary Works (2006) undertaken by the Association of Nigerian Authors, which held in Niamey, Niger Republic.

Mallam I S KABARA also worked at the Directorate of Societal Reorientation of Mallam I Shekarau (A Daidaita Sahu) from 2005 to2007, director at Gidauniyar Alheri Community Health Center, Garangamawa, Kano City and director at Kano Chamber of Commerce, Mines & Agriculture, Trade Fair Complex Zoo Rd Kano.

Mallam I. Sadauki was a head boy in his school days, a speaker Students' Representative Assembly and a leader of so many Associations, including the Muslim Students Society (state and National).



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