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The 100 Most Reputable Africans carry the world with their hands and hearts. They have now become a strong and powerful voice for global transformation and systematic change. They are our now and our next for years to come"

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Representatives,
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36th Kgosi (king) of the royal Bafokeng Nation

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Egyptian Lawyer and Diplomat

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MONIQUE ILBOUDO

Author and Human Rights Advocate

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Regional Director Southern Africa

The list, “100 Most Reputable Africans” for 2023 consists of brief biographies of reputable persons across the African continent who have been carefully selected and reviewed by RPI's global listing audit committee. The selection criteria are Integrity, Visibility and Impact.

The trend of human history places value and recognition on individuals who are respected for doing good work consistently, thus impacting lives and society. The African community exists within borders of a rich historical background of many individuals who have been etched in history for simply acting on conceived ideologies to transform their immediate world. This list is a collection of profiles of notable and influential people currently living in Africa as well as Africans making a notable impact within the diaspora.

Reading this now may inspire you to launch, lead, or take part in the revolution that will alter the course of history. Fasten your seatbelt and get ready for this straightforward and succinct digest as we examine the success stories of the 2023 most reputable African men and women on earth.

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Character is like a tree and reputation like a shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.

- *Abraham Lincoln*

The list of 100MRA features individuals from diverse sectors including; Governance/Leadership, Entertainment, Human rights/Advocacy, Education, and Business. The selection criteria are Integrity, Visibility, and Impact.

Very prominent personalities featured on the list include Kenya's Amina Chawahir Mohamed, Mogoeng Thomas Reetsang Mogoeng the Former Chief Justice of South Africa, and Cameroon's Njoya Tikou, Manager of the UNDP Regional Office in West and Central Africa.

On Governance and Policy: Kenya's President H.E. William K. Ruto, H.E. Lazarus Chakwera President of Malawi and Ivory Coast Senator Chantal Moussokoura Fanny etc.

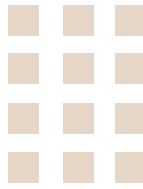
On Business: Egypt's Naguib Onsi Sawiris chairman of Weather Investments's parent company, Ghana's Sir Samuel Esson Jonah chancellor of the University of Cape Coast, and executive chairman of Jonah Capital, Nigeria's Dr. Dauda Lawal, Executive Vice Chairman/CEO of Credent Capital and Advisory.

Human Rights Advocacy: Martha K. Koome, Chief Justice of Kenya, and Nigeria's Aisha Yesufu are featured.

On Leadership: Ethiopia's President Sahle Work-Zedwe, Nigeria's Dr. Paul Enenche MD, and Ghana's Afua Kyei (the Chief Financial Officer at Bank of England, where she leads the Finance Directorate) are featured.

In addition to the individuals recognized on Reputation Poll International's "100 Most Reputable Africans" list for their various achievements, there are also those who are celebrated for their contributions to social impact and social entrepreneurship, helping to transform businesses in Africa and positively impacting lives without causing controversy.





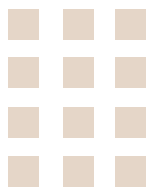
Abdulrazak Gurnah FRSL

Tanzania

20 December 1948



He is a British author and professor of Tanzanian descent. He was born in the Sultanate of Zanzibar and fled the Zanzibar Revolution in the 1960s by taking sanctuary in the United Kingdom. His books include *Desertion* (2005), *Paradise* (1994), which was named to the Booker and Whitbread Prize shortlists, and *By the Sea* (2001), which was named to the Booker and Los Angeles Times Book Prize longlists. He lectured in Bayero University Kano in Nigerian from 1980 to 1983. He the later taught English and Postcolonial Literature at the University of Kent, where he lectured until his retirement. Gurnah was given the Nobel Prize in Literature in 2021 "for his unflinching and compassionate insight of the impacts of colonialism and the destiny of the refugee amid the chasm between cultures and continents." He holds an honorary professorship at the University of Kent in English and postcolonial literature.



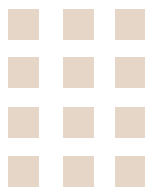
Afua Kyei

Ghana-Britain

15 October 1952



Afua Kyei is the Chief Financial Officer at Bank of England, where she leads the Finance Directorate and is responsible for strategy, finance, performance, and tax. She also serves as a director for several funds and is a member of the Real Time Gross Settlement System Renewal Executive Board, which provides oversight for critical national infrastructure. In her role, Kyei manages the financial governance of the organization's balance sheet and is involved in initiatives related to diversity and inclusion and climate change. Before joining this organization, Kyei worked at Barclays Bank, where she held several finance director roles and was involved in the bank's strategic cost transformation program. She has also worked as a corporate financier at UBS, where she advised on mergers and acquisitions and served as an investment banker. Kyei holds a Master's degree from Oxford University and is a chartered accountant.



Agnes Matilda Kalibata

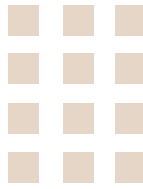
Rwanda



Agnes Matilda Kalibata is a Rwandan scientist and agricultural policy expert. She is the President of the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), an organization that works to improve food security, increase productivity, and enhance the incomes of smallholder farmers in Africa.

Before joining AGRA, Kalibata served as the Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources in Rwanda, where she implemented a number of successful initiatives to increase agricultural productivity and improve food security. She also served as the Executive Secretary of the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa, a pan-African organization that promotes and coordinates agricultural research in the region.

Kalibata is widely recognized for her work in the field of agriculture and food security. She has received numerous awards and honors, including the Africa Food Prize and the Yara Prize for improving food security in Africa in 2012.



Aisha Yesufu

Nigeria

12 December 1973

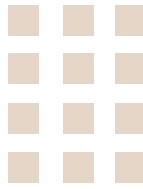


Aisha Yesufu is a Nigerian activist and co-convenor of the Bring Back Our Girls (BBOG) campaign, a group that advocates for the release of the Chibok schoolgirls who were kidnapped by Boko Haram in 2014. Yesufu has been actively involved in advocacy and activism for a number of issues in Nigeria, including women's rights, education, and good governance.

Yesufu is known for her strong and vocal advocacy for the rights of women and girls in Nigeria. She has spoken out against gender-based violence and discrimination and has worked to raise awareness about the importance of education for girls.

In addition to her work with the BBOG campaign, She has also been involved in other advocacy and activism efforts in Nigeria, including participating in the #EndSARS protests in 2020, which called for an end to police brutality and reform of the Nigerian police force.

Yesufu has received recognition for her activism and has been recognized by several organizations and media outlets, including being named one of Forbes Africa's 100 Most Powerful Women in 2020.



Amani Abou-Zeid (H.E)

Egypt

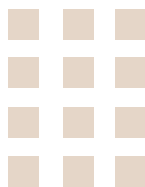


H.E. Abou-Zeid was a leader in international development who spent more than 30 years serving Africa in a variety of executive capacities, mostly with the AFDB, UNDP, and USAID. Her expertise centered on creating and sustaining strategic alliances as well as managing broad multinational programs. African Union Commission has chosen the Egyptian H.E. Amani Abou-Zeid to serve as its Commissioner for Infrastructure and Energy.

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There is no advertisement as
powerful as a positive reputation
traveling fast.

Brian Kozlow



Amina Chawahir Mohamed Jibril

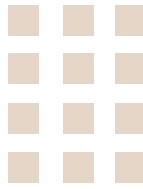
Kenya

5 October 1961



Amina Chawahir Mohamed Jibril is a Kenyan diplomat and lawyer who has held several high-level positions in the Kenyan government and international organizations. She was serving as the Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), a role she has held since 2019. Prior to this, she served as the Cabinet Secretary for Foreign Affairs and International Trade in the Kenyan government from 2013 to 2018, and as the Chairperson of the African Union Commission from 2011 to 2013. She has also held various other positions in the Kenyan government, including as the Permanent Secretary for the Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs and as the Director of Public Prosecutions. She is known for her work on issues related to international trade, diplomacy, and environmental protection. She is currently the Minister of sports in Kenya.

She has received numerous honors in recognition of her outstanding service, including the prestigious Adebisi Babatunde Thomas Entrepreneurship Institute Excellence in Diplomacy Award, the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun (Gov. of Japan), an honorary knighthood from the Govt. of Italy, and Kenya's highest national honor, the Elder of the Golden Heart.

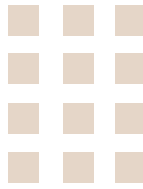


Arunma Oteh

Nigeria



Arunma Oteh is a Nigerian economist and financial manager who has held various positions in the public and private sectors. She began career in 1984, during her NYSC, as a Lecturer of Computer Science at the University of Benin (UNIBEN). She has served as the Vice President and Treasurer of the World Bank, and as the Director General of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in Nigeria. She was the Chief Financial Officer of the African Development Bank (AfDB). Oteh has a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Nigeria, a master's degree in economics from the University of Lagos, and a PhD in economics from the University of Cambridge. Advance Media 100 Most Influential African Women in 2019 and Forbes Africa 50 Most Powerful Women in 2020 are a few of the awards she has received.

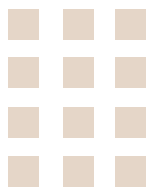


Basita Michael (Esq)

Sierra Leone



Basita Michael is a Sierra Leonean attorney who has a Bachelor of Laws with Honors degree from the University of Sierra Leone, an Utter Barrister and Solicitor degree from the Sierra Leone Law School, and a Masters of Laws degree in International Criminal Justice from the University of London. She has returned to Sierra Leone from London and is committed to helping her fellow citizens, particularly those who are marginalized and have had their human rights and constitutional protections violated. Michael has faced challenges as a woman in a male-dominated society, including verbal abuse, harassment, and threats. She was the president of the Sierra Leone Bar Association and has spoken out against government actions that have caused division rather than unity. In addition to her law practice, Michael is the founder and owner of Sierra Eye magazine, which focuses on politics, socioeconomics, education, and culture, and organizes debates on governance and politics. She continually calls out malfeasance at all levels of government and encourages citizens to have a voice and participate in holding the government accountable.

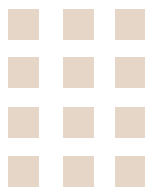


Bibata Ganemtore Nabaloum

Burkina Faso



Bibata Ganemtore Nabaloum is the head of the Association for the Promotion of Women and Children (APFE) in Yato, Burkina Faso. Under her leadership, the organization has made significant progress in addressing issues related to female genital mutilation (FGM) and early and forced marriage. To address these issues, Bibata and her team engage with traditional and religious leaders in villages, seeking to educate and persuade them to take a stand against FGM and early and forced marriage. Once these leaders are on board, APFE works with various groups in the community, including youth, women, students, and teachers, to raise awareness about the dangers of these practices and establish committees to identify girls at risk.



Bibi Ameenah Firdaus Gurib

Burkina Faso



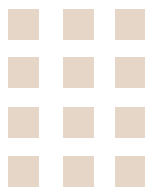
Bibi Ameenah Firdaus Gurib is a Mauritanian scientist and academic who has held various leadership positions in the field of science and technology. She also served her country as the first female president and third woman head of state.

Gurib has served as the Vice-Chancellor of the University of the South Pacific, and as the Chairperson of the African Union's Scientific, Technical and Research Commission. Gurib is also a Fellow of the African Academy of Sciences and a member of the Council of the International Council for Science. She has a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Surrey. Gurib has published extensively in the fields of biology, science education, and science policy, and has received numerous awards and honors for her contributions to science and education.

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The way to gain a good reputation is to endeavor to be what you desire to appear.

Socrates

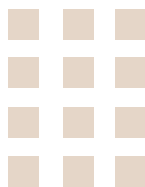


Birama Sidibé

Mali



Mali native Mr. Birama Sidibé held the position of Vice President of the Islamic Bank of Development from 2009 to 2015. In this capacity, he led the IDB's growth across Sub-Saharan Africa. Mr. Sidibe formerly served as managing director of Shelter Afrique, a Kenyan housing finance institution. Prior to this, he worked for the African Development Bank for 23 years in a variety of technical and administrative roles. Master's degree in Water and Sanitation from the University of Montpellier belongs to Mr. Sidibé



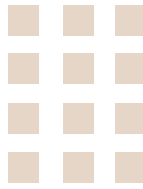
Bolaji Akinremi

Nigeria

4 December 1965



He started his career in the Nigerian Diplomatic Service in 1993 after working in the media. He received training at the Indian Foreign Service Academy in New Delhi and has served at the Nigeria Embassy in Addis Ababa and as a Minister Plenipotentiary at the Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the UN in New York. He has successfully negotiated the resolution "Promotion of International Cooperation to Combat Illicit Financial Flows and Strengthen Good Practices on Asset Return to Foster Sustainable Development" on behalf of the Group of 77 & China, bringing attention to the issue of illicit financial flows and asset return within the UN. He has also served as the spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and as Chief Protocol Officer in the Office of the Vice President of Nigeria, as well as heading the Policy Planning, Crisis Management, and Public Communications divisions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He has expertise in event planning, management, and project design and is a political economist. In 2021, he served as Director of the Consular and Legal Department and in 2022, he organized and supervised the evacuation of Nigerian students during the Russian invasion of Ukraine. He currently serves as the Director of Economic, Trade, and Investment at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In his personal life, he is a devoted husband, father, and grandfather.



Carol Bouwer

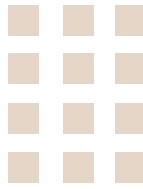
South Africa

July, 1974



Carol Bouwer is a South African television presenter, producer, and businesswoman. She is the MD/CEO of Carol Bouwer Productions. She began her career as a presenter of a commercial channel and a youth dating show, before later co-hosting a talk show titled Motswako: The Mix on SABC. She is also known for her role as Kgomotso on Generations from 1994 to 1996.

Carol established her production company in 1999. It has branches in Johannesburg, Cape Town and Sydney. She runs several business projects like a brand that designs gorgeous and trendy handbags using South African wildlife prints. CB bags are produced in Cape Town.



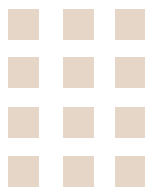
Carolyn Steyn

South Africa

17 May 1960



Carolyn Steyn is a South African media personality and the founder of the non-profit organization 67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day. The organization was established shortly after the death of Nelson Mandela, the first democratically elected President of South Africa, and was formally launched in 2014. It has since set three Guinness World Records. In 2022, Steyn was awarded the French Ordre national du Mérite. In 2021, she also launched the Carolyn Steyn Performing Arts Centre at her alma mater, Jeppe High School for Girls.



Chantal Moussokoura Fanny (Sen.)

Ivory Coast



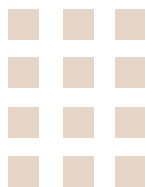
Fanny is a diplomat and politician from Ivory Coast. She is the Mayor of the Kaniasso commune, the Senator for the Folon district, and the Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire.

At the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, she started her diplomatic career in 2006 as the Deputy Secretary for Foreign Affairs. She was chosen to serve a second term as mayor of Kaniasso in 2018. She served as an advisor to Guillaume Soro, the President of the Côte d'Ivoire National Assembly, until April 2018 until being named Vice-President of the Côte d'Ivoire Senate on October 12, 2021, with responsibility for the Diaspora and international collaboration. She was chosen on December 7, 2021, to serve in the Association of ECOWAS Women Parliamentarians' General Secretariat of the Bureau (ECOFEPWA).

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You can never take your reputation back.
There really is nothing as powerful as a
good reputation.

Giuliana Rancie

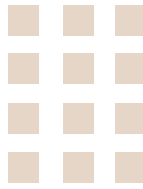


Clare Akamanzi

Rwanda



Clare Akamanzi is a Rwandan business executive and lawyer. She is the Chief Executive Officer of the Rwanda Development Board (RDB), a position she has held since April 2016. Prior to this role, she served as the Deputy CEO of RDB, where she was responsible for leading the implementation of the country's economic development strategies and policies. Akamanzi held various leadership positions within the RDB and has played a key role in the country's economic development and investment promotion efforts. She is known for her work in driving the country's economic growth, improving the business environment, and attracting foreign investment. She is also an advocate for gender equality and has worked to promote the role of women in business and leadership in Rwanda.

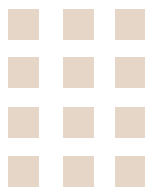


Conrad Mbewe

Zambia



Conrad Mbewe is a Baptist pastor from Zambia who is known for his preaching and writing on Christian theology and evangelism. He has served as the pastor of Kabwata Baptist Church in Lusaka, Zambia since 1987, and has been involved in Christian ministry for many years. Mbewe is a respected theologian and a popular speaker at Christian conferences and seminars. He has written numerous books and articles on Christian doctrine and practice, and has a particular interest in biblical counselling and evangelism. Mbewe has also served as a mentor to many young pastors and leaders in Zambia and beyond. In addition to his pastoral and writing ministry, Mbewe is also involved in education and has served as the principal of Zambia Baptist Seminary in Lusaka and is chancellor of the African Christian University in Zambia. He has a strong commitment to training and equipping Christian leaders in Africa and around the world.



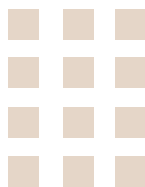
Cosmas Maduka

Nigeria

24 December 1958



Cosmas Maduka is a Nigerian businessman who is the founder and CEO of Coscharis Group, a multinational conglomerate with interests in automotive, healthcare, technology, and agriculture. The company was founded in 1977 and has operations in several countries in Africa, including Nigeria and Ghana. Coscharis Group is known for its distribution of vehicles and automotive parts, as well as its healthcare and technology divisions. Maduka is also known for his philanthropy and has supported various charitable causes in Nigeria, including education and healthcare.



Coumba D. Sow

Senegal

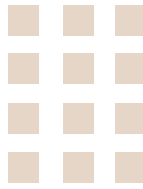


Coumba D. Sow is a Senegalese agroeconomist and public policy expert who serves as the UN Food and Agriculture Organization's Representative and Country Director in Rwanda.

In 2006, Sow began working for the UN as an agricultural policy officer for the FAO. In 2013, she was promoted to Africa Manager at the FAO Director-Office. General's She has been in charge of the FAO's emergency humanitarian and resilience efforts in the West Africa and Sahel region since 2017.

The livelihoods of disadvantaged Sahelian populations, whose access to food and nutrition is frequently challenged, are improved by Coumba D. Sow. She defends the application of traditional knowledge held by the inhabitants themselves, such as agroecology and nation investments, to lessen vulnerabilities and foster the growth of agriculture.

The FAO plan to build 1 million cisterns for the Sahel was introduced in 2018. The project intends to make it easier for rural areas to acquire water.



Dag Heward-Mills (Bishop)

Ghana

14 May 1963

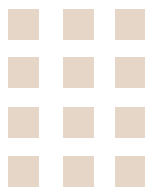


Dag Heward-Mills is a Ghanaian clergyman and author who is the founder and Presiding Bishop of the Lighthouse Chapel International, a Pentecostal church with branches in many countries around the world. He is also the founder of the Anagkazo Bible and Ministry Training Center in Ghana, which trains ministers and evangelists from various African countries. Heward-Mills has written numerous books on Christianity and ministry, and is known for his evangelistic campaigns and conferences. Heward-Mills is also a medical doctor, having graduated from the University of Ghana Medical School.

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The way to gain a good reputation is to endeavor to be what you desire to appear.

Socrates

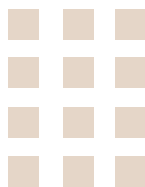


Danai Jekesia Gurira

Zimbabwe



Danai Gurira is a Zimbabwean-American actress and playwright best known for her role as Michonne on the AMC television series "The Walking Dead." She was born in Grinnell, Iowa and raised in Harare, Zimbabwe, before returning to the United States to attend Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota. Gurira has appeared in numerous television shows and films, including "Black Panther," "Mother of George," and "The Visitor." In addition to her acting career, she is also an accomplished playwright, with plays such as "Eclipsed" and "Familiar" being produced on Broadway. Gurira is known for her activism and charitable work, particularly in support of girls' education in Africa.



Dauda Lawal

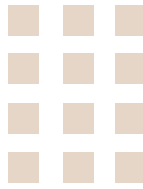
Nigeria

2 September, 1965



Dauda Lawal was born in Gusau, present day Zamfara State in Northern Nigeria. He began his professional career in 1989 as a political education officer with the Agency for Mass Mobilization for Social and Economic Reliance Nigeria. He began working for Westex Nigeria Limited in 1989 as an assistant general manager and was hired in 1994 as an assistant consular officer (immigration), and later promoted to chief protocol officer, in the Nigerian Embassy, Washington, D.C., US. He joined First Bank of Nigeria Plc in May 2003 in which he has held several managerial positions in different branched of the bank in the country. In the quest for Knowledge, he studies at different institutions, both in Nigeria and abroad, to mention a few, Harvard Business School, Boston, London School of Economics, London Business School, Wharton Business School, Pennsylvania, Oxford University Business School, and International Faculty of Finance.

He is the Executive Vice Chairman and CEO of Credent Capital and Advisory



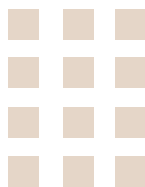
David Olaniyi Oyedepo (Bishop, G.O LFCW)

Nigeria

27 September 1954



Bishop David Oyedepo is a Nigerian architect, Christian pastor, author, and founder and presiding bishop of Living Faith Church World Wide, also known as Winners' Chapel. He is one of the wealthiest pastors in Nigeria and has been named one of the 50 most influential people in the world by Forbes magazine. Bishop Oyedepo is known for his teachings on faith, prosperity, and the power of the spoken word. He is the author of several books, including "Faith to Change the World" and "Shaping Destiny Through Vision." Bishop Oyedepo, he has a large and devoted follower, and his ministry has had a significant impact in Nigeria and around the world.



Denis Mukwege

Congo

1 March 1955

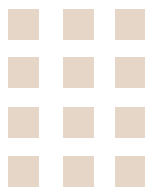


Denis Mukwege is a Congolese gynaecologist, obstetrician, Pentecostal pastor and human rights activist. He is the founder and head of the Panzi Hospital in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), where he has treated thousands of women who have been victims of sexual violence and other forms of abuse.

Mukwege has been internationally recognized for his work in treating and advocating for the rights of women in the DRC, and has received numerous awards for his efforts. In 2018, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts to end the use of sexual violence as a weapon of war and armed conflict.

He has treated thousands of women who have been subjected to rape and other forms of abuse, and has worked tirelessly to raise awareness about the issue of sexual violence in the DRC.

He has received numerous awards and accolades for his work, including the European Parliament's Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought in 2014 and the Nobel Peace Prize in 2018.



Edi Mue Gathegi

Kenya-America

10 March 1979

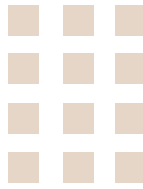


Edi Mue Gathegi is a Kenyan-American actor. In 2006, Gathegi made his professional acting debut in the movie *Crank* as the Haitian Cabbie. Initially, he had applied for the role of Kaylo, but the producers selected Efren Ramirez instead and offered Gathegi a small cameo as the Haitian Cabbie. Despite initially feeling hesitant about using a Haitian accent, he received training from a Haitian friend and successfully played the role. After this, Gathegi appeared as a guest on the TV shows *Lincoln Heights* and *Veronica Mars*, and then went on to portray the characters of Bodie in *Death Sentence*, Darudi in *The Fifth Patient*, and Cheese in *Gone Baby Gone* in 2007. Gathegi has had recurring roles in several TV shows, including NBC's *The Blacklist*, in which he played Matias Solomon, and reprised role in the spin-off series *The Blacklist: Redemption*. Gathegi also played the character Ronald Dacey in the show *StartUp*.

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Do not go where the path may lead, go
instead where there is no path and leave
a trail.

Ralph Waldo Emerson



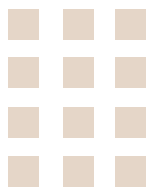
Edward Kobina Enninful OBE

Ghana

22 February 1972



Edward Enninful is a highly respected editor and creative director in the fashion industry. He has held various editorial positions at a number of influential magazines, including British Vogue, Vogue Italia, American Vogue, and W magazine. Enninful began his career as a fashion director for a British magazine around the age of 18, and went on to hold this position for over 20 years. In 2017, he was appointed editor-in-chief of British Vogue, and also serves as the European editorial director for Condé Nast



Ellen Johnson Sirleaf (H.E)

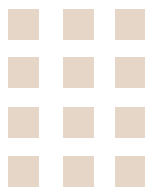
Liberia

29 October, 1938



Ellen Johnson Sirleaf is a Liberian politician who served as the President of Liberia from 2006 to 2018. She was the first woman to be elected as President in Liberia and also the first woman to be elected as President in Africa. During her presidency, she worked to rebuild Liberia's infrastructure, economy, and government, and to promote reconciliation and democracy in the country after years of civil war.

Sirleaf was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2011 for her work to bring peace and women's rights to her country. Before becoming President, Sirleaf served as Minister of Finance and Minister of Planning and Economic Affairs in the government of President William Tolbert. She was also a leader in the campaign to oust the military dictatorship of Samuel Doe.



Enoch Adeboye (Pastor, G.O RCCG)

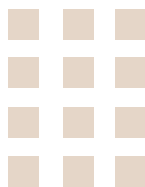
Nigeria

4 March 1942



Pastor Enoch Adejare Adeboye, also known as E.A. Adeboye or Pastor Adeboye, is a Nigerian pastor and evangelist who is the General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), a Pentecostal denomination based in Lagos, Nigeria. He has been the General Overseer of the RCCG since 1981, and under his leadership, the church has grown to become one of the largest and most influential in Africa. He received a degree in Mathematics from the University of Ilorin, and worked as a university lecturer before entering the ministry. In 1973, he joined the RCCG and was ordained as a pastor in 1975. He became the General Overseer of the RCCG in 1981, succeeding the church's founder, Pastor Josiah Olufemi Akindayomi.

Under Adeboye's leadership, the RCCG has grown to become a global church with millions of members and branches in over 190 countries. Adeboye is known for his powerful preaching and teaching, and has a large following among Christians around the world. He has also been involved in various charitable and humanitarian efforts, including providing aid to those affected by natural disasters and promoting education and economic development in underserved communities.



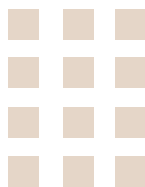
Eric Yirenkyi Danquah

Ghana



Eric Yirenkyi Danquah is a Ghanaian professor, plant geneticist, and the founding director of the West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement (WACCI). He also served as the former director at the Biotechnology Centre at the University of Ghana.

He has taught several courses in the College of Agriculture and Consumer Sciences, including Introductory Genetics, Principles of Biotechnology, Genetics and Plant Breeding, and Molecular Genetics and Population Genetics. He has also co-supervised numerous post-graduate and PhD students. In 2006, he created a curriculum for Biosafety in Biotechnology at Michigan State University to train students and scientists in West Africa. He has also received numerous awards from his of study.



Fatoumatta Nja

Gambia

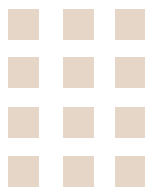


At the Economic Community of West African States, Fatoumatta Njai, a member of the Gambia's National Assembly and Parliament, represents the nation (ECOWAS). She is a member of the Standing Committee on Human Rights and Constitutional Affairs in the National Assembly as well as the Committee of Social Affairs, Gender, and Women Empowerment in the ECOWAS Parliament.

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It is generally much more shameful to lose a good reputation than never to have acquired it.

Pliny the Elder



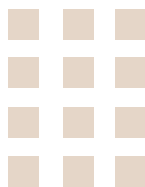
Fitsum Assefa Adela

Ethiopia

12 May, 1979



Fitsum is an Ethiopian teacher and politician who leads the FDRE Minister of Planning and Development since 16 October 2018. She also has been a member of Commercial Bank of Ethiopia's Board of directors since 24 December 2018. Since 2003, she has been lecturing at Hawassa University, College of Business and Economics in Ethiopia.



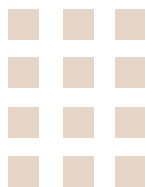
Goodluck Ebele Azikwe Jonathan (H.E GCFR, GCON)

Nigeria

20 November 1957



Goodluck Ebele Azikiwe Jonathan GCFR, GCON is a Nigerian politician who has served as the Governor of his state, Bayelsa from 2005 to 2007 and also as the country's President from 2010 to 2015 after serving as the Vice President to Umaru Ya'adua from 2007 to 2010. He is the third Nigerian Democrat president and the first outgoing president in Nigerian history to peacefully concede defeat to an election. CAF Platinum Award recipient and author of My Transition Hour. Most recently, he was appointed as the third councilor of the University of Cavendish, a privately owned university in Uganda.



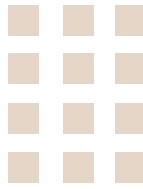
Helena Ndume (Dr.)

Namibia

Born in 1959/1960



Dr. Helena Ndume is an ophthalmologist who has dedicated her life to treating eye diseases and blindness in Namibia and other underdeveloped nations. Over 30,000 Namibians have received free eye surgery and intraocular lens implants from Dr. Ndume to date, treating myopia, cataracts, and blindness. She presently holds the position of Head of Ophthalmology at Windhoek Central Hospital and has won various accolades from throughout the world, including: Grand Commander of the Order of Namibia First Class, Red Cross International Humanitarian Service Award (2009), Rotary International Humanitarian Award in the fight against blindness (2008), Namibia National Science Award (2005), Humanitarian award in the prevention of blindness in Santa Barbara, California, USA (2001).



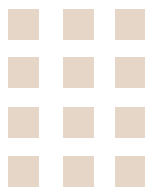
Jane Naana Opoku-Agyemang (Prof., FGA)

Ghana

22 November 1951



Jane Naana Opoku-Agyemang Jane Naana Opoku-Agyemang is a Ghanaian academic and politician who has served in a number of high-ranking positions in the government of Ghana. She has a background in literature and has served as a professor at the University of Cape Coast, where she was also the vice-chancellor. Opoku-Agyemang has also served as the Minister for Education in Ghana and is currently the Chancellor of the Women's University in Africa. In 2020, she was named among the 40 Most Inspirational Female Leaders in Ghana and the 100 Most Influential Women in Africa by Avance media. Opoku-Agyemang is a member of the National Democratic Congress (NDC) party.



Joaquim Alberto Chissano

Mozambique

22 October 1939



Joaquim Alberto Chissano is a Mozambican statesman and politician who served as the second President of Mozambique from 1986 to 2005. He played a key role in the country's transition from a single-party socialist state to a multi-party democracy and played a leading role in the peace negotiations that ended the civil war in 1992.

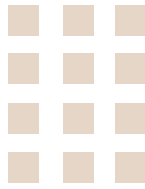
During his presidency, Chissano implemented a number of economic and social reforms that helped to stabilize the country and improve living standards for its citizens. He also worked to improve relations with neighbouring countries and to promote regional cooperation in southern Africa.

In recognition of his contributions to peace and development, Chissano received numerous awards and accolades, including the Ibrahim Prize for Achievement in African Leadership in 2007. He was also awarded the Order of the Southern Cross, Brazil's highest honour, in 2005. In addition to his political career, Chissano has also been active in various humanitarian and environmental causes, and has served as a member of the Africa Progress Panel and the Global Elders, a group of world leaders working to promote peace and human rights.

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Give a man a reputation as an early riser and he can sleep 'til noon

Mark Twain



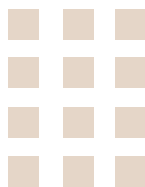
Jonathan Fonati Koffa

Liberia

1967



Jonathan Fonati Koffa is a Liberian politician who has served as Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives of Liberia since 2020. He is a member of the Collaborating Political Parties (CPP), a coalition of political parties that supported the presidency of George Weah. Prior to his role as Deputy Speaker, Koffa served as a member of the Liberian parliament for the county of Grand Kru.



Jennifer Douglas (Dr.)

Nigeria

1974

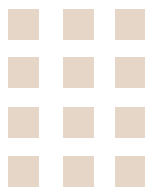


She was the managing partner of Miyetti Law in Nigeria. Transnational asset recovery and business finance transactions are the main areas of her expertise. Jennifer assists national and international enterprises, as well as governments, in managing the regulatory environment.

Currently assists organizations wishing to invest in Africa by providing advice, facilitating important commercial and government links, and identifying strategic possibilities.

She is the founder Gede Foundation

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Joseph-Achille Mbembe

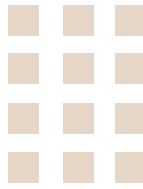
Cameroon

1957



Joseph-Achille Mbembe is a Cameroonian philosopher, political theorist, and public intellectual. He is known for his work on postcolonialism, African politics, and the politics of knowledge. Mbembe was born in Cameroon and received his education in France, where he earned a PhD in Political Science from the University of Paris. He has taught at a number of universities in Europe and Africa, including the University of Paris, Duke University, and the University of the Witwatersrand in South Africa.

Mbembe is the author of several books, including "On the Postcolony," "Critique of Black Reason," and "Necropolitics." His work has been widely translated and has had a significant influence on the fields of postcolonial studies and African studies. In addition to his academic work, Mbembe is also known for his activism and public engagement, including his involvement in human rights organizations and his contributions to public debates on issues related to Africa and the global south.



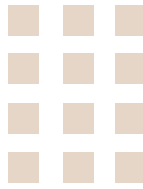
Joyce Msuya

Tanzania

1968



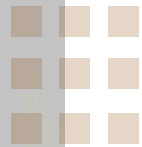
Joyce Msuya is the Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator at the United Nations. Previously, she held the positions of UN Assistant General and UNEP interim Deputy Executive Director from 2018 and 2019, where she oversaw the organization's global portfolio and administered its 15 Multilateral Environmental Agreements on pressing environmental challenges. She also spent roughly 5 years working for the World Bank Group, primarily in China, South Korea, and the US, between 2014 and 2018. Across Africa, Asia, and Latin America, Msuya has more than 20 years of comprehensive experience in international development strategy, operations, knowledge management, and partnerships.



Judy Dlamini

South Africa

10 July 1959

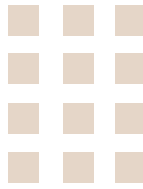


Judy Dlamini is a South African medical and academic doctor, business woman, author, and philanthropist. She is the Chancellor of the University of the Witwatersrand and the founding chairman of Mbekani Group. She chaired the board of Aspen Pharmacare Holdings from November 2007 to December 2015, while also serving as a non-executive director from July 2005 to December 2015. She was listed as one of Africa's 50 most powerful women in the 2020 by Forbes magazine. Also recognized by Forbes as one of the 50 over 50 women who are paving the way through Europe, the Middle East, and Africa in 2022.

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Bad conscience is easier to cope with
than a bad reputation.

Friedrich Nietzsche



Kandeh Kolleh Yumkella (Alhaji, Dr.)

Sierra Leone

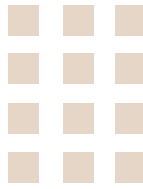
July 5, 1959



Dr. Kandeh Kolleh Yumkella is a Sierra Leonean diplomat and politician who has had a long and distinguished career in international development and public service.

Yumkella had a successful career in the Sierra Leonean government and the United Nations. He served as Minister of Trade and Industry in Sierra Leone, and later as Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). He has also served as Chair of the United Nations Development Programme's Sustainable Energy for All Initiative and as Chair of the Global Sustainable Energy for All Forum.

Yumkella has received numerous awards and honours for his work, including the Order of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Order of the Rokel, both of which are the highest honours that the Sierra Leonean government can bestow. He has also received the United Nations Foundation's Global Leadership Award and the World Energy Council's Energy Globe World Award.



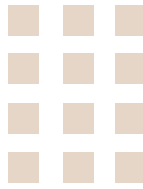
Kanya King, CBE

London



Kanya King is a British entrepreneur and the founder and CEO of the MOBO (Music of Black Origin) Awards, an annual awards ceremony that celebrates the achievements of artists in the fields of music, film, and television. King founded the MOBO Awards in 1996, and it has since become one of the most prestigious and well-known awards ceremonies in the UK and beyond.

King has been recognized for her contributions to the music industry and her work as an entrepreneur, and she has received numerous accolades, including an MBE (Member of the Order of the British Empire) in 1999 and a CBE (Commander of the Order of the British Empire) in 2018. In addition to her work with the MOBO Awards, King is also involved in various charitable and philanthropic efforts, including the Kanya King Creative Entrepreneur Award, which supports emerging talent in the creative industries.



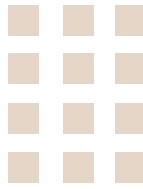
Ken Kwaku

Ghana

18 May 1946



Dr. Ken is an international investment and corporate governance expert. He was as a lecturer in the university of Guyana from 1975 to 1976, worked with the World Bank Group (WBG) from 1976 to 2004, and since retirement has served as a policy adviser to several African governments. In 2013 he was nominated for the Africa Achievers Award. He is Ghana's Honorary Consular to Tanzania and a special adviser to the former president, H.E.



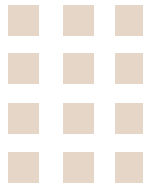
Kofi Tutu Agyare

Ghana



Kofi Tutu Agyare is a Ghanaian Businessman. He is a Managing Partner at Nubuke Investments, an asset management and consultancy company registered under the FSA dedicated exclusively to Africa, which he founded in 2007. He worked with the UBS Investment Bank holding a number of senior positions, for about 21 year. the Chairman of Kempinski Hotel, Gold Coast City, Accra, a member of the Senior Advisory Group of Power Africa, and also non-executive Director at Tullow Oil.

For his opinions, experiences and understanding of the continent, he is widely known for his role as an international speaker and advisor. He has a very strong network of ties throughout Africa, both at the government and business levels.



Leruo Tshekeledi Molotlegi

South Africa

1968



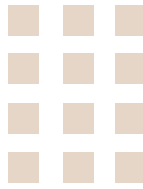
Leruo Tshekeledi Molotlegi is the current Kgosi (being the 36th king) of the royal Bafokeng Nation, north west province of South Africa. He has held this title since the year 2000 when he succeeded his brother.

"The individual used to be a member of the board for Impala Platinum Holdings, but now holds the position of non-Executive Director at Royal Bafokeng Holdings, which is a company fully owned by the Bafokeng. In addition, this person is the president of the Mineral Rights Association of Indigenous People of South Africa and played a key role in negotiating new mining legislation that aims to increase black involvement in the industry."

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If you want to discover the true character of a person, you have only to observe what they are passionate about.

Shannon L. Alder



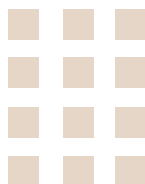
Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera

Malawi

5 April 1955



Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera is the current President of Malawi, having taken office in June 2020 after winning the presidential election. Prior to his presidency, Chakwera served as the President of the Malawi Assemblies of God, a Pentecostal denomination in Malawi, and as a member of parliament. He is a member of the Malawi Congress Party and has a background in theology. During his campaign for the presidency, Chakwera focused on issues such as corruption, economic development, and improving education and healthcare in Malawi. He has also been involved in efforts to improve relations with other countries and to promote democracy and human rights in Malawi.



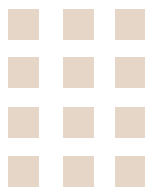
Leymah Gbowee

Liberia

1 February 1972



Liberian peace activist renowned for mobilizing female supporters to put pressure on authorities to put an end to Liberia's civil conflict. Along with Tawakkul Karmn and Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, she was one of three people to receive the 2011 Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of their peaceful work to advance women's safety, rights, and involvement in peace-building initiatives.

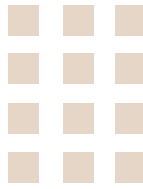


Leïla Slimani

French-Morocco 3 October 1981



Leïla Slimani is a Moroccan-French author Journalist. She began her career as a journalist, working for various French media outlets. Slimani is known for her critically acclaimed novels, which explore themes of sexuality, motherhood, and identity. Her debut novel, "Dans le jardin de l'ogre" (Adele), was published in 2014 and was a bestseller in France. Her second novel, "Chanson douce" (The Perfect Nanny), was published in 2016 and won the Prix Goncourt, one of France's most prestigious literary awards. The novel has been translated into numerous languages and has been adapted into a film. In addition, she represents French Emmanuel Macron personally to the Organization International de la Francophonie, making her a French diplomat.



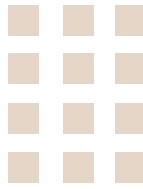
Lia Tadesse

Ethiopia

1976



Lia Tadesse is a politician and doctor from Ethiopia who has held a variety of roles in the healthcare field. She has served as the Minister of Health in Ethiopia since March 2020, and previously served as the State Minister of Health. Prior to her appointment as a minister, Lia worked as the Executive Director of the University of Michigan's Center for International Reproductive Health Training, as well as the CEO and Vice Provost of St. Paul's Hospital Millennium Medical College in Ethiopia. She has also worked as a senior obstetrician and gynecologist at the Federal Police Referral Hospital in Ethiopia and served as the Program Director for Center for International Reproductive Health Training at the University of Michigan. In total, Lia has over 20 years of experience in the healthcare sector.



Lindiwe Mazibuko

South Africa

9 April 1980



Lindiwe Mazibuko is a Swazi-born South African academic, former politician, musician and Former Leader of the Opposition of the Republic of South Africa, becoming the first non-white person to lead the Democratic Alliance in Parliament. In 2009 general elections, she became a parliamentary candidate for the party.

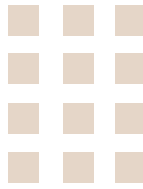
Mazibuko appeared on a special edition of the BBC's Question Time, broadcast from Johannesburg in 2013. In 2016, she criticized the DA's "brains trust" for being nearly entirely dominated by white men. She has remained a passionate opponent of the ANC while being at conflict with her party. And also became the Executive Director of Apolitical Academy in July 2021. Her principal platforms were better representation for South Africa's increasingly youthful electorate and revitalizing the country's stagnating parliamentary processes.

She is was labelled a "rising star in Parliament" and a possible future DA leader.

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Your reputation is in the hands of others.
That's what the reputation is. You can't
control that. The only thing you can
control is your character.

Wayne W. Dyer



Lucy Quist

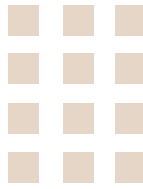
Ghana-Britain

1974



Lucy Quist is a highly accomplished business executive and corporate leader from Ghana. She was the CEO of Airtel Ghana and has held various leadership positions at Vodafone in the past, including Head of Business Operations and Chief Marketing Officer. Quist is also the founder of Quist Blue Diamond and co-founder of FreshPay payment platform in the Democratic Republic of Congo. In addition to her professional roles, Quist has served on the board of various organizations, including the Ghana Investment Fund for Electronic Communications and the Ghana Chamber of Telecommunications. She is known for her advocacy for women in leadership roles and has received recognition for her contributions to the technology and telecommunications industry in Ghana. In September 2018, she was appointed by FIFA as the Vice President of the Normalization Committee to restructure football in Ghana.

She is current the Managing Director at Morgan Stanley



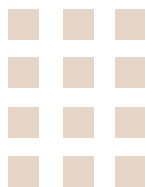
Lydia Heather Mudhari

Zimbabwe

June 1976



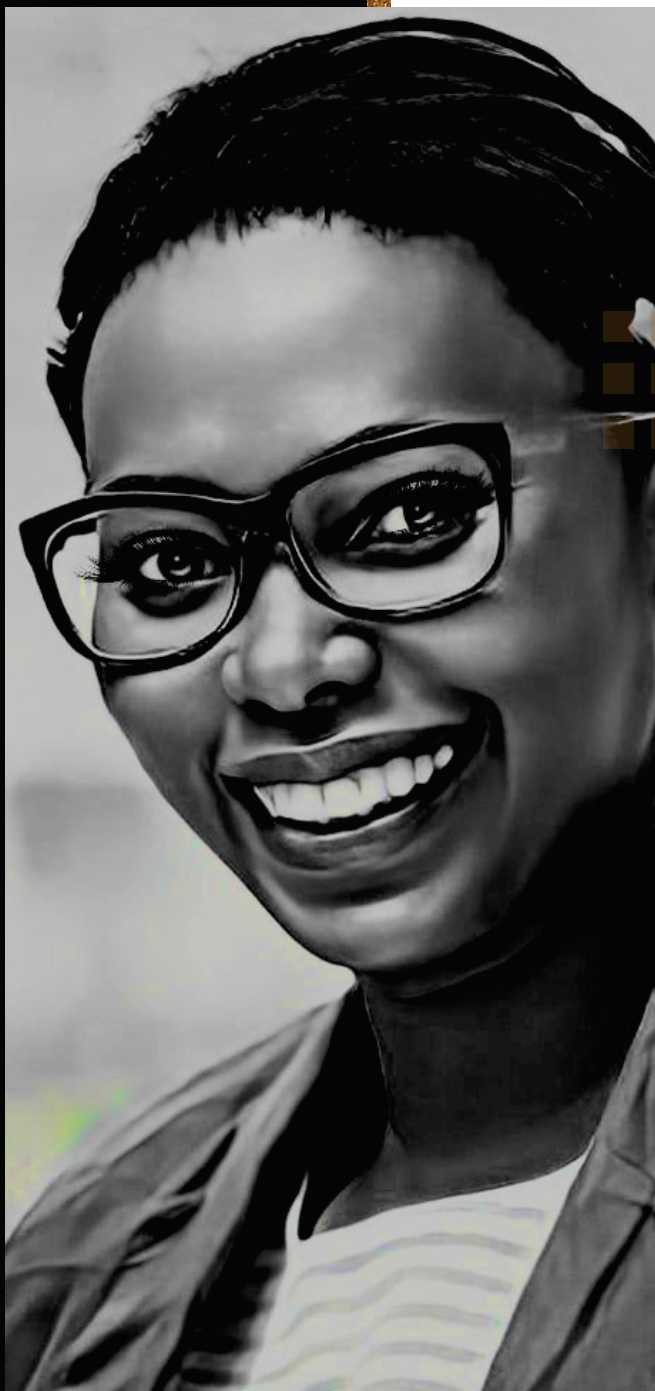
Lydia Mudhari is the Honorary Consul for Zimbabwe in Scotland and the first woman to hold this position. She is also the Head of the Chamber on Climate City Platform and the Founder and Director of ZIMSCOT, a Community Interest Company that promotes Zimbabwe as a destination for investment, trade, and tourism. Mudhari holds a bachelor's degree in media performance and a master's degree in broadcast journalism and media law. As an international investment, trade, and travel consultant, Mudhari is passionate about supporting links between Scotland and Zimbabwe and has organized successful business engagements and investment conferences between the two countries. In addition to her professional roles, Mudhari has a background in media and has been honored with several awards for her work and contributions to society.



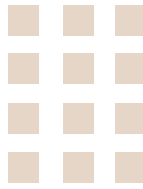
Marieme Jamme

Senegal

1974



Lady Marième Jamme is a successful businesswoman with a diverse background, having been born in Senegal and later becoming a French and British citizen. She has over 20 years of experience in the technology and system change industries, and is known for her inspiring global speeches on the importance of supporting and uplifting marginalized young girls. These talks have earned her numerous accolades. Lady Marième Jamme is a highly accomplished technologist who has been recognized as a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum. In 2017, she was the recipient of the Innovation Award at the Global Goals Award, an honor presented by Bill & Melinda Gates and UNICEF. This award recognized her efforts to support girls and young women around the world and to advance the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.



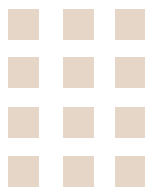
Maritza Peña Rosabal

Cape Verde

12 January 1957



Maritza Peña Rosabal is an academic and historian who has held prominent positions in the government of Cape Verde, including serving as the Minister of Education and the Minister of Family and Social Inclusion between 2016 and 2020. She is known for her efforts to promote gender equality and has played a key role in the implementation of the Law against Gender-Based Violence and the establishment of the Laço Branco Network.



Martha Karua (Hon)

Kenya

22 September 1957

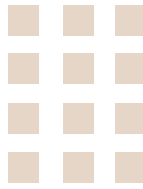


Martha Karau is a well-respected lawyer and politician with a career spanning over 30 years in law, politics, and social activism. She has played a significant role in the development of Kenya's pluralistic political system and has worked to increase democratic participation in the country. Martha is the leader of the NARC Kenya political party, which advocates for social democratic ideals and national unity. She has also served as a member of parliament, a minister for justice, and an advocate of the High Court of Kenya. Throughout her career, Martha has fought for women's rights and democratic reform. In 2013, she ran for president as a candidate of the NARC-Kenya party, becoming the third woman to do so in the country's history. She placed sixth in the race. In the 2022 general election, Martha was chosen to run as the deputy president alongside presidential candidate Raila Odinga.

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If I take care of my character, my
reputation will take care of itself.

D.L. Moody



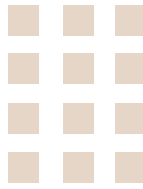
Martha K. Koome (Hon. Chief Justice, EGH)

Kenya

3 June 1960



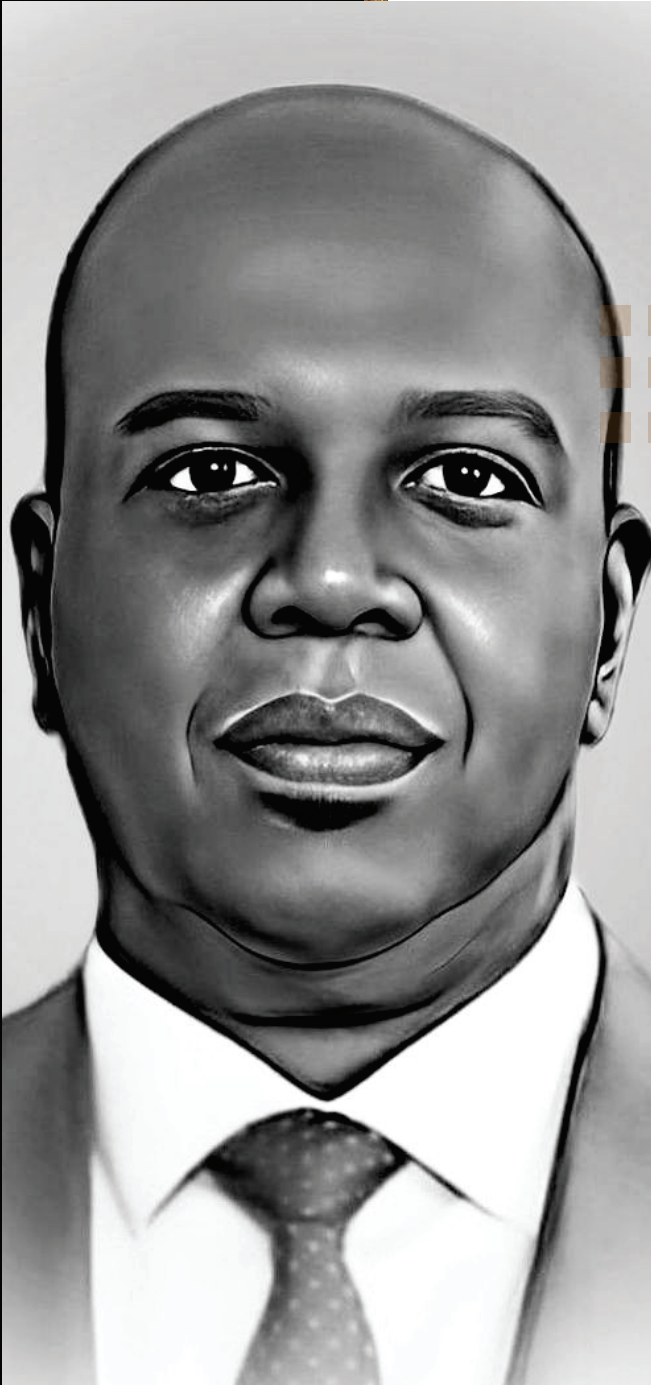
Martha K. Koome is a Kenyan lawyer and judge who has served in a number of prominent legal positions in her career. In 2021, she was appointed as the Chief Justice of Kenya, becoming the first woman to hold this position in the country's history. Prior to this role, she served as a judge on the High Court of Kenya and as a member of the Judicial Service Commission, which is responsible for the appointment, promotion, and discipline of judges in Kenya. Koome is known for her commitment to justice and human rights, and has been praised for her dedication to improving the Kenyan legal system.



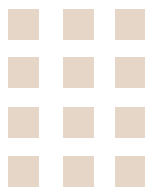
Martin Kimani

Kenya

1971



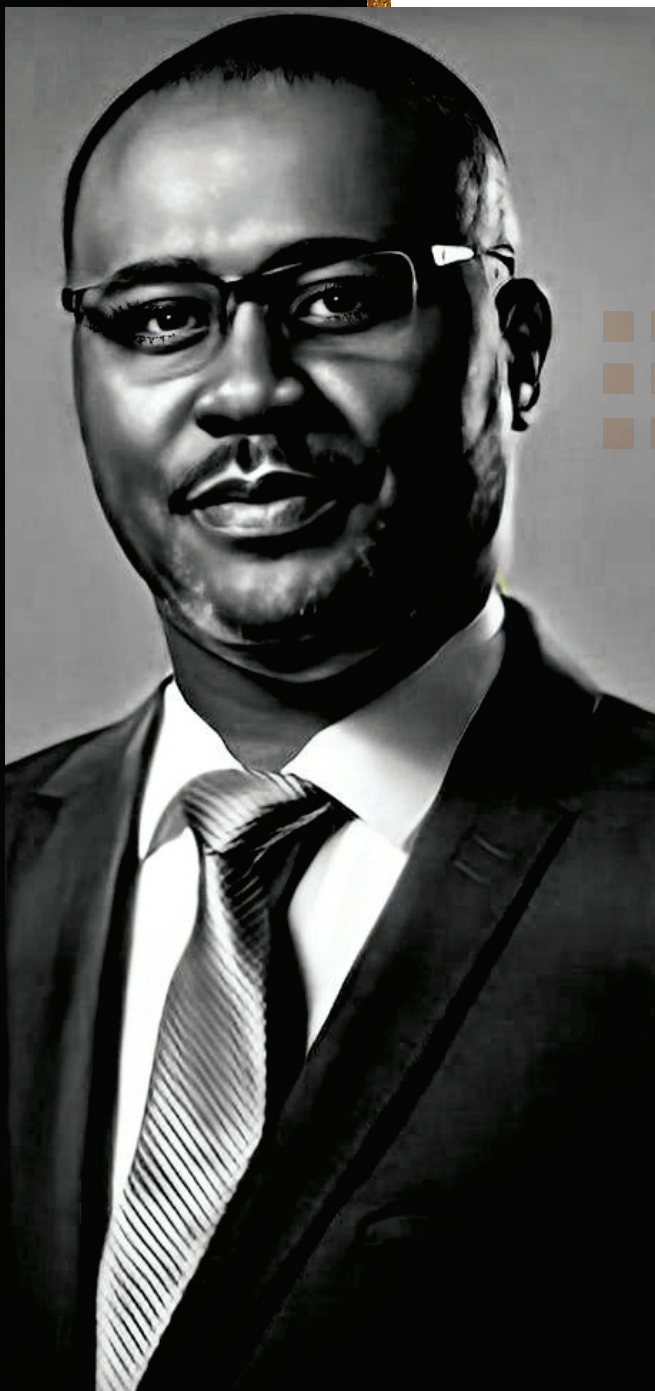
Martin Kimani is a Kenyan diplomat who has held a number of high-ranking positions in the government of Kenya. He has served as the Director of the National Counter Terrorism Centre in Kenya and as the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kenya. Prior to these positions, Kimani served as the Kenyan Ambassador to the United Nations in Geneva. He has also held other diplomatic and government positions, including serving as the Deputy Chief of Mission at the Kenyan Embassy in Washington D.C. and as the Director of the African Centre for Technology Studies in Nairobi. He is currently serving as Kenya's Permanent Secretary to the United Nation



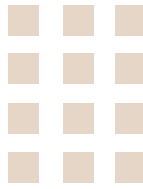
Mike Jocktane

Gabon

3 July 1972



Mike Jocktane is a religious leader and philanthropist who founded the Ministries Christ Revealed to Nations in 1996 in Port-Gentil, Gabon. He later expanded the Ministries to other locations around the world, and today it includes more than 30 churches. In 1997, Jocktane also founded the Nissi Mission in Port-Gentil, a social and humanitarian organization that helps abused children. He has been involved in local politics in Port-Gentil, and in 2007 he created the "Rénovons Port-Gentil" association. In 2005, Jocktane was appointed as a personal adviser and chargé de mission to the President of Gabon, and in 2009 he was appointed as the Deputy Cabinet Director to the President.



Mogoeng Thomas Reetsang

South Africa

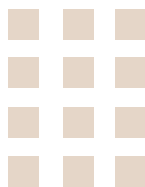
14 January 1961



From 8 September 2011 until his retirement on October 11, 2021, he was the Chief Justice of South Africa. He is a South African jurist.

Mogoeng presided over the Judicial Service Commission (JSC), which was in charge of choosing judges, as the country's then-Chief Justice of South Africa.

In recognition of Mogoeng's "notable contributions within the judiciary sphere - which should remind South Africans to take the constitution as a guide which will give us unity to build our country and to reconcile as all South Africans," the University of Johannesburg awarded him an honorary doctorate on March 27, 2018. North-West University conferred an honorary doctorate on Mogoeng in 2013.



Mohamed Moustapha Malick Fall

Senegal

December 1958

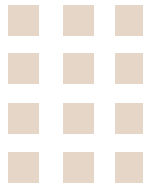


Mohamed Fall is UNICEF's Regional Director for Eastern and Southern Africa. In this capacity, he is in charge of 21 UNICEF country offices in Eastern and Southern Africa, as well as representing the organization with governments, funders, civil society, and the commercial sector. Mr. Fall joined UNICEF from February 1989, and have since then worked with the organization gaining ranks. He was the Senior Education Advisor in Port-au-Prince, Haiti in 2010 to 2012, from 2012 to 2014, he served as UNICEF Representative in Mongolia, in 2014 to 2016, he served as UNICEF Representative in the Central African Republic from. He was most recently UNICEF's Representative in Nigeria

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Many a man's reputation would not know his character if they met on the street.

- *Elbert Hubbard*



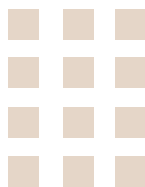
Mohamed Mustafa ElBaradei

Egypt

17 June 1942



Mohamed Mustafa ElBaradei is an Egyptian lawyer and diplomat who is known for his work in the field of international relations and nuclear nonproliferation. He served as the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) from 1997 to 2009, and received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2005 for his efforts to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons. ElBaradei is also a prominent political figure in Egypt, and was a leading member of the opposition movement that participated in the 2011 Egyptian revolution. He has served as a member of the Egyptian parliament and has the Vice president. He is known for his commitment to democracy and human rights.



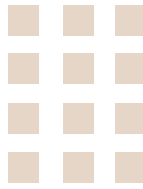
Mohammed "Mo" Ibrahim

Sudan-Britain

3 May 1946



Mo Ibrahim is a Sudanese-British telecommunications entrepreneur and philanthropist. He is the founder and chairman of the Mo Ibrahim Foundation, which is a philanthropic organization focused on improving governance and leadership in Africa. Ibrahim is also the founder of Celtel, a mobile phone company that operated in several African countries. He is known for his work in promoting good governance and leadership in Africa, and has been recognized for his contributions to the continent through various awards and honors. In addition to his business and philanthropic activities, Ibrahim is also a prominent public speaker and commentator on issues related to Africa and its development.



Monica Geingos

Namibia

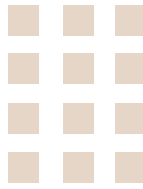
15 November, 1976



Monica Geingos is A licensed attorney with extensive business expertise and she is the first Lady of Namibia. Ms. Geingos worked as a private equity and governance specialist for 15 years in the financial industry prior to being appointed First Lady of the Republic of Namibia in 2015. Additionally, she served as the President's Economic Advisory Council's chair.

Monica Geingos is known for her work on women's rights and gender equality in Namibia. She is also a member of the Namibian parliament and has served as the Deputy Minister of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare.

In addition to her political career, Monica Geingos is also a lawyer and has worked on a number of humanitarian projects in Namibia.



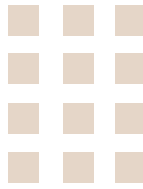
Monique Ilboudo

Burkina Faso

1959



Monique Ilboudo is a writer and human rights activist from Burkina Faso who has made significant contributions to francophone African literature. She has written numerous articles and books, and has a regular column called "Féminin Pluriel." Ilboudo has also been actively involved in journalism, contributing to the weekly publication *Le Regard*. In 1992, she received the national first prize for Best Novel for her book *Le Mal de Peau* (The Ill of the Skin), which was republished in 2001. As of 2012, Ilboudo was serving as the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Burkina Faso to the Nordic and Baltic countries.



Mthuli Ncube

Zimbabwe

30 November 1964

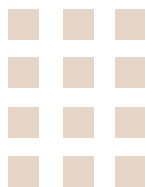


Mthuli Ncube is an economist and former finance minister of Zimbabwe. He was appointed to the position in 2018 and served until he was replaced in 2021. Prior to his role as finance minister, Ncube held various positions in academia, including as a professor at the University of Oxford and as a chief economist at the African Development Bank. He is known for his expertise in economic policy and has written extensively on topics such as financial inclusion, infrastructure development, and monetary policy. During his time as finance minister, Ncube implemented a number of economic reforms aimed at stabilizing the country's economy and attracting foreign investment. However, his policies were also met with criticism and controversy, and his tenure as finance minister was marked by high inflation and a deteriorating economic situation in Zimbabwe.

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-Oscar Wilde



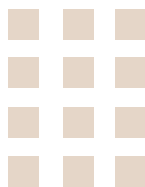
Naguib Onsi Sawiris

Egypt

15 June 1954



Sawiris is the eldest son of an Egyptian businessman, he joined his family business, Orascom in 1979 and has led the company to becoming one of Egypt's largest and most diversified conglomerates and the country's largest private sector employer. He is the chairman of Weather Investments' parent company, and Managing Director and CEO of Orascom Telecom Holding.



Nelson Makamo

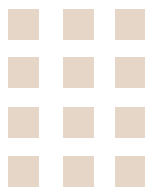
South Africa

1985



Nelson Makamo is a South African artist who is known for his portraits of children and young people. His work has been exhibited in galleries and museums around the world, including the National Museum of African Art in Washington, D.C., the Saatchi Gallery in London, and the Venice Biennale.

Makamo's art is characterized by bright colours, expressive brushstrokes, and a focus on the human face. His portraits often convey a sense of hope and determination, and he often uses his art as a way to comment on social and political issues in South Africa. He has won several awards for his work, including the Standard Bank Young Artist Award for Visual Art in 2013, and the Thami Mnyele Fine Art Award in 2014. In addition to his work as an artist, he is also an art teacher and mentor, and has worked with various organizations to promote art education in South Africa.



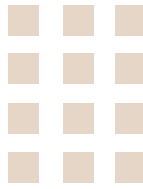
N'Gunu Tiny

Angola



He founded The Emerald Group and serves as its founder, chairman, and CEO. He is a seasoned business expert who has founded prestigious investment firms in a number of industries, including financial services, real estate, media, and natural resources. Additionally, he is enthusiastic in digital transformation and innovation in the fields of business, banking, fintech, blockchain, and impact investing. He is the co-Founder and board member of Optimal Investments, SA is N'Gunu Tiny. Additionally, he co-founded and served as chairman of Eagle stone, a boutique investment firm in London that specializes in goods, energy, and natural resources. During his term, which lasted till 2013, N'Gunu provided advice on a number of notable transactions, including the structural reforms of a state-owned metals mining firm and the purchase of an upstream asset by a large gas and oil corporation in a Sub-Saharan African country.

N'Gunu Tiny has held numerous consulting positions throughout his career, including those of: • Chairman of the Finibanco General Meeting (2011-2013). A member of the board of the Angolan Securities Exchange Commission (2011-2012) and the Director at De Beers Angola Investments (2012-2013).



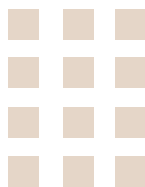
Nicholas F. Oppenheimer

South African

8 June 1945



Nicholas is a self-made business billionaire who hails from south Africa. His previous positions include those of Anglo American's deputy chairman as well as chairman of the De Beers diamond mining company and its subsidiary, the Diamond Trading Company. He ranks third among African billionaires. In 2012, he gave mining giant Anglo American a \$5.2 billion cash payment in exchange for his family's 40% ownership of De Beers, the largest diamond company in the world. Via Stockdale Street in London and Tana Africa Capital in Johannesburg, he keeps private equity stake in Africa, Asia, the United States, and Europe.



Nj Ajuk

Cameroon

11 February 1980

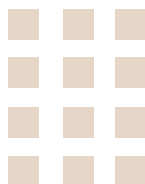


Nj Ajuk is a Cameroonian attorney, entrepreneur and author. He serves as a leading authority in the African energy sector and a strong advocate for African entrepreneurship and the indigenous energy sector, Nj Ayuk is recognized as one of the foremost figures in African business today. A well-known dealmaker in the petroleum and power sectors and founder of a leading energy focused law firm, Nj is dedicating his career to helping African entrepreneurs. He is the author of 'A Just Transition: Making Energy Poverty History with Energy Mix' among others.

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A good reputation for yourself and
your company is an invaluable asset
not reflected in the balance sheets.

Li Ka-shing

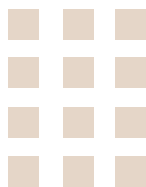


Njoya Tikum

Cameroon



Njoya Tikum is the Manager of the UNDP Regional Office in West and Central Africa. Previously, he was the Regional Manager for East and Southern Africa at UNV and has held various roles at UNDP, including as a Regional Policy and Programme Advisor, a Regional Youth Programme Coordinator, and a Country Programme Specialist. Before joining UNDP, Njoya worked as an attorney and held positions at the Human Rights Institute, African Services Committee, and the Centre for Public Interest Law.



Nonkululeko Nyembezi-Heita

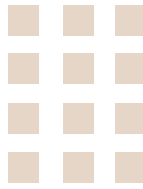
South Africa

22 March 1960



Nonkululeko Nyembezi-Heita is a South African business executive and corporate leader. she is the CEO of the Dutch mining group since 2014. She was the CEO of ArcelorMittal South Africa, from 2008 to 2014 Standard Bank Group and Imperial Group.

She is known for her expertise in finance, strategy, and corporate governance, and has played a key role in shaping the direction of major South African companies. Nyembezi-Heita has received numerous awards and accolades for her leadership and contributions to the business community. She has been recognized as one of the top executives in South Africa by several publications and organizations, and has received numerous awards for her work in corporate governance and sustainability. Nyembezi-Heita is also a member of the board of directors for several companies, including Sasol Limited and Standard Bank Group.



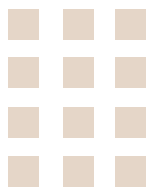
Ogiamé Atuwatse III

Nigeria

2nd April 1984



He is the 21st Olu of Warri, Ogiamé Atuwatse III, and a traditional ruler in Nigeria. He is the supreme head of the Kingdom of Warri. As the founder of Coral Curator Ltd. and Noble Nigeria Ltd., HRM Emiko is a multi-faceted businessperson. While his business savvy may be credited to his late father, he currently serves as Chairman of Ocean Marine Security Ltd., Director of Gulf of Guinea Ltd., and CEO of Vessel Link Big. Ltd. He was presented with a national honor award of the commander of The Republic by Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari. He is married to Ivie Uhunoma Emiko.



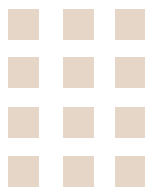
Olaniyi Olatunji Nelson

Nigeria

2nd April 1984



Olaniyi is an experienced international development professional with a focus on Africa. He has coordinated development initiatives with global partners, including NEPAD, and has organized discussions on Africa's development challenges at organizations such as the World Bank, IMF, and the United Nations. Olaniyi has over 20 years of experience in mobilizing international partnerships for Africa's development.



Patrick Ngugi Njoroge

Kenya

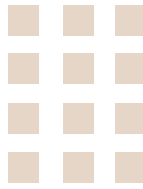


Patrick Ngugi Njoroge is a Kenyan economist and central banker who has been the Governor of the Central Bank of Kenya since 2015. He was previously the Deputy Governor of the bank, and has also held various positions in the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank. He has worked extensively in the field of economic policy and has published research on topics such as economic development, monetary policy, and financial sector reform.

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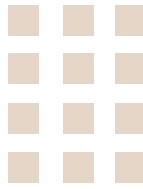
Paul Enenche (Dr., Pastor)

Nigeria

4 June 1968



He serves as Senior Pastor of the Dunamis International Gospel Center, whose main office is in Abuja, Nigeria, near the Lord's Garden on the airport road. The Dunamis International Gospel Center owns the Glory Dome church in Abuja, Nigeria. It is ranked the second-largest church auditorium in the world and the second-largest in Nigeria. Currently, among other services, they have a mega service every Wednesday night and Sunday morning. He is passionate about spreading awareness of the Lord's splendor across the world. His ministry is actively spreading the Gospel via every available media as a consequence. He is married to Dr. Becky, a devout and devoted medical doctor who has also been called by God to a career in full-time ministry. They are blessed with four kids in all. Moreso; Dr. Paul Enenche is also the author of several books that have transformed destinies and changed lives.

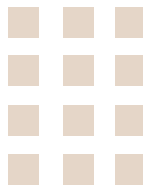


Phuthi Mahanyelle

South Africa



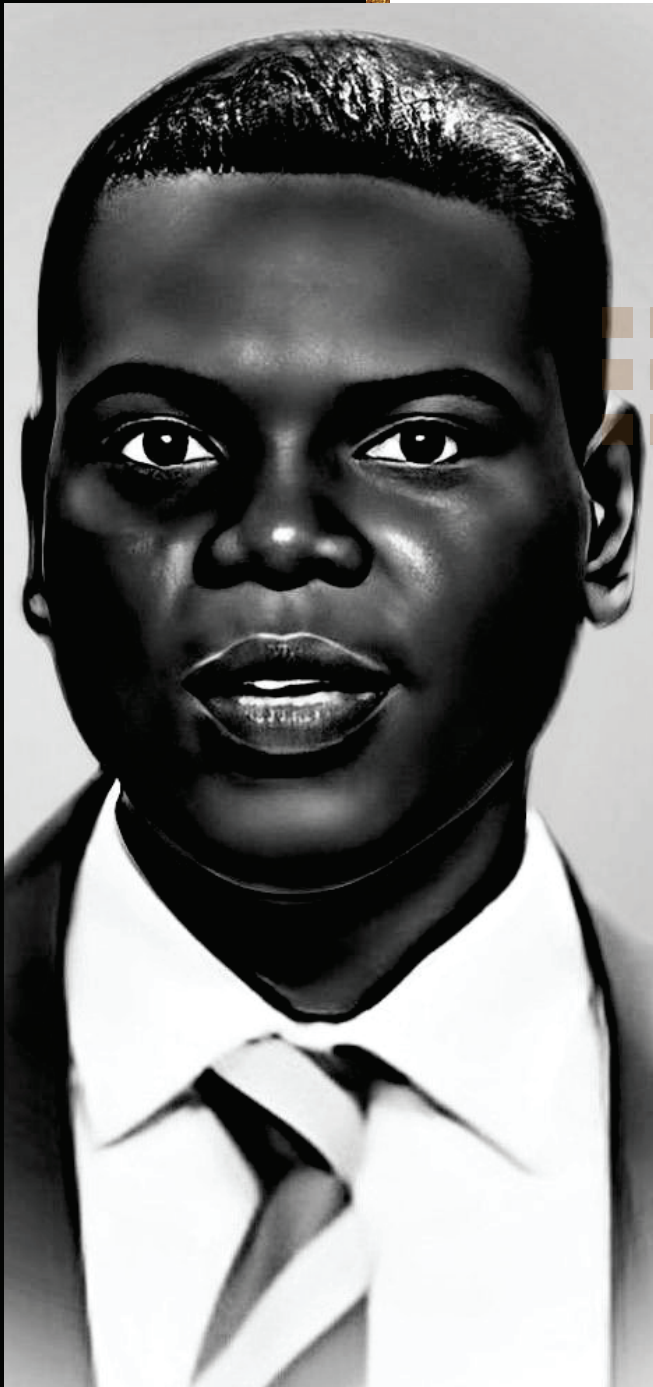
Phuthi Mahanyele is a South African business executive and the Chief Executive Officer of Naspers, South Africa unit becoming its first black and first female chief executive. She is the former CEO of Shanduka Group from 2004 to 2016 and the founder of Sigma Capital (investment firm) and she has led several other companies. In 2008, she was listed among the "Top 50 women in the world to watch" by The Wall Street Journal. In 2012, Africa Investors recognized her as a "Leading African Woman in Business," and in 2014, ForbesWoman Africa named her "Business Woman of the Year." She was also named "Business Woman of the Year" at the 2019 All-Africa Business Leaders Awards (AABLA).



Ronald Ozzy Lamola

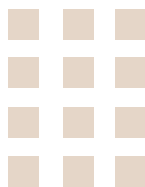
South Africa

21 November 1983



Ronald Ozzy is a South African lawyer and politician; he started his law career at TMN Kgomo and Associates in 2006. In 2009, he was employed as a manager of the Govan Mbeki Local Municipality. He served as the Director in the Office of the Mpumalanga MEC for Culture, Sports and Recreation from 2009 to 2011. Later in 2011, he briefly acted as interim spokesman for Premier Mpumalanga.

He is the minister of Justice and Correctional Services South Africa since 2019. He is a former Deputy President of the African National Congress Youth League (ANCYL). He served with Youth League President Julius Malema before his removal from office in 2012.



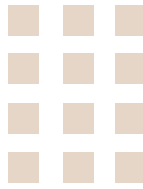
Rosalia Martins-Hausiku

Namibia

24 August, 1979



Rosalia Martins-Hausiku is the CEO of the Motor Vehicle Accident (MVA) Fund of Namibia since 2013 till date. She was inducted as a Laureate into the Namibia Hall of fame in 2014, The Economist Business Woman Award in the community/government category in 2015, she also received the Namibia Institute of People Management Award in 2015 and the Africa Women Conference Inspiring Women Award in 2017, the GIMAC African Gender Award for the public enterprise that advances and invests in development for women in 2018. The MVA Fund was awarded the Best Company to Work for award in 2015 and 2016. Rosalia serves as the Vice-Chairperson of the University of Namibia and on several boards.



Sadia Haji Samatar

Somalia

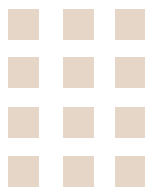


Sadia Haji Samatar has been elected as the first woman to lead Parliament in Somalia, a country with a long history of male-dominated leadership. She won the vote with 137 votes, while her opponent, Mohamed Ali Omar, received 107 votes. The President of Somalia, Mohamed Abdullahi Farmajo, congratulated Samatar on her achievement. She is the current Deputy speaker in Somalia

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**It takes 20 years to build a reputation
and five minutes to ruin it. If you think
about that, you'll do things differently.**

- Warren Buffett



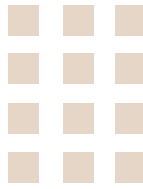
Sahle-Work Zewde

Ethiopia

21 February 1950



Sahle-Work Zewde is a diplomat and politician from Ethiopia. She is the current President of Ethiopia, having been elected to the position in October 2018. Before becoming President, Sahle-Work Zewde served as the United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Special Representative to the African Union. She is the first woman to hold the position of President in Ethiopia. Sahle-Work Zewde has a long career in diplomacy and has held a number of high-level positions within the United Nations, including as the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Nairobi and as the Special Representative of the Secretary-General to the African Union and Head of the United Nations Office to the African Union.



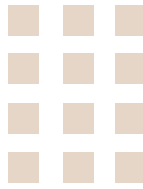
Sheila Dinotshe Tlou

Botswana

21 February 1950



Professor Sheila Dinotshe Tlou is a nurse and nursing educator from Botswana who specializes in HIV/AIDS and women's health. She was the Minister of Health from 2004 to 2008 and has been an advocate for human resources in health issues. Tlou is known for being a visionary leader and champion in her field. She has been teaching at the University of Botswana since 1980, and held positions such as head of Nursing Education and the university's HIV/AIDS coordinator. Tlou has also represented Botswana at international conferences, provided consultancy to organizations such as UNAIDS and the World Health Organization, and served as the UNAIDS regional director for Eastern and Southern Africa.



Samuel Esson Jonah

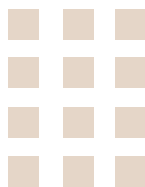
Ghana

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Samuel Esson is an entrepreneur serving as the University of Cape Coast's current chancellor. He is the executive chairman of Jonah Capital, a Johannesburg, South Africa-based equity firm.

Jonah received an honorary knighthood (KBE) in June 2003 from the Prince of Wales in recognition of his accomplishments as an African businessman, a top business executive from the Commonwealth, and a well-known public figure worldwide, making him the first Ghanaian to receive the honor in the twenty-first century.



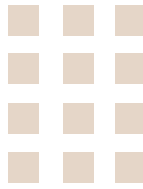
Soha Ali

Egypt

21 February 1950



Soha Ali is the Senior Country Representative for the Egypt office of J.P. Morgan Chase Bank N.A., where she manages key relationships and leads the regional sales and client service teams. She has over 23 years of banking experience, including expertise in trade finance, syndicated loans, correspondent banking, and credit analysis. Previously, she worked at the subsidiary of American Express Bank in Egypt and Deutsche Bank AG, and served as the head of treasury services for North Africa at BNYM Cairo. Soha is a board member of the American Chamber of Commerce and has been recognized as one of the most influential women in finance and business in the Middle East and Egypt.



Tembeka Nicholas Ngcukaitobi

South Africa

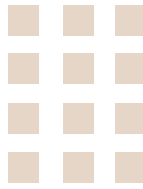


Tembeka Nicholas Ngcukaitobi is a prominent lawyer and political activist in South Africa. He is known for his work as a member of the South African Law Reform Commission, as well as his activism on issues related to land reform and racial equality. In addition to his work as a lawyer, Ngcukaitobi is also a public speaker and author. He has written a book called "The Land Is Ours: South Africa's First Black Lawyers and the Birth of Constitutionalism," which discusses the history of black lawyers in South Africa and the role they played in the country's transition to democracy. Ngcukaitobi is an important figure in the South African legal and political landscape, and his work has helped to advance the cause of justice and equality in the country. He was a member of the international legal team that provided legal representation for the major opposition political party in Zimbabwe following a violent election. Despite only practicing law as an advocate for 8 years, he was promoted to senior counsel in 2019, a significant accomplishment considering that typically, advocates are required to have a minimum of 10 to 15 years of experience before achieving this status.

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**Repetition makes reputation, and
reputation makes customers.**

- Elizabeth Arden

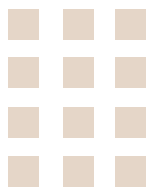


Thebe Ikalafeng

South Africa



Thebe Ikalafeng is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Brand Leadership founder in 2002, the award-winning Africa-focused pan-African branding advisory firm which was inducted into the New York based REBRAND "Hall of Fame" for excellence in branding in 2015. He received an Excellent Marketing Award from the Marquette University American Marketing Association after graduating with distinction in 1992 and has won over 75 awards in branding and marketing communication globally. He also holds executive positions in several companies and initiatives. He was the first African to judge the prestigious Red Dot design awards in Germany (2014 – 2020). Born in Kimberley, South Africa, and based in Johannesburg, South Africa, he visited more than 110 countries around the world, every African country and every continent in the world.



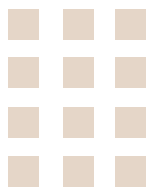
Theresa Ayaode

Ghana



Theresa Ayaode is the Executive Director of Multiple Concepts Group, one of West Africa's leading marketing communication firms with subsidiaries in Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Liberia, and Cape Verde. She is a CREATIVE ENTREPRENEUR, MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS, and EVENTS SPECIALIST. The firm focuses on total communication solutions.

She is the Co-Founder and CEO of CHARTERHOUSE PRODUCTIONS, one of the leading MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS, EVENTS, and AUDIO-VISUAL PRODUCTION companies in WEST AFRICA. Theresa has at least 22 years of experience managing public, corporate, and national events, as well as audio-visual and television projects. She co-founded and managed several creative platforms that discover and promote creatives, such as the Annual Ghana Music Awards Festival (22 years), A Night of 1000 Laughs Comedy Series (27 editions), Miss Malaika Ghana (18 years), Ghana Rocks Concert (6 years), and several International Music Concerts with international stars such as JAY Z, SHAGGY, BUSTA RHYMES, CHRIS BROWN, BOYS TO MEN, AKON, STEEL PULSE, and many others.

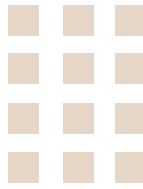


Tuma Adama Gento- Kamara

Sierra Leone



Mrs. Tuma Adama Gento-Kamara is The National Revenue Authority's (NRA) Chairperson, President Julius Maada Bio appointed Mrs. Gento-Kamara in July 2021, to The biggest Tax Administration Mechanism in the world, as the Vice President of the Belt and Road Tax Administration Corporation Mechanism (BRITACOM). She is also an enthusiastic businesswoman, a steadfast supporter of economic and human rights, and a vigorous proponent for community improvement.

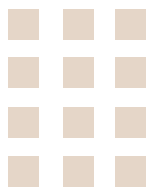


Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

Nigeria



Geneva Tijjani Muhammad-Bande, GCON OFR, the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations, is a Nigerian diplomat, scholar, and political scientist who presided over the 74th session of the General Assembly of the United Nations from September 17, 2019, to September 15, 2020. Prior to September 2016, he was vice president



Victoire Sidémého Dzidudu Dogbé Tomegah

Togo

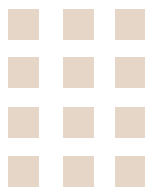


Tomegah Dogbé is a Togolese politician who has served as the prime minister of Togo since September 2020. She is the first woman to hold the office. Prior to becoming prime minister, she served as the Minister of Grassroots Development, Handicrafts, Youth and Youth Employment in the Komi Sélom Klassou Government and the Cabinet Director of President Faure Essozimna Gnassingbé. In 2008, she was asked by the President and Prime Minister to manage the portfolio of Minister Delegate to the Prime Minister in charge of development. From 2010 to 2015, she served as the Minister of Grassroots Development, Youth Craft and Youth Employment in various governments. After the presidential election in 2015, she retained her position as Minister of Development at the Base, crafts, youth and youth employment in the Komi Sélom Klassou government.

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As a general rule, a reputation is
built on manner as much as on
achievement.

- *Joseph Conrad*

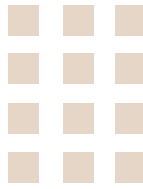


Wally Adeyemo

Nigeria-America



Wally Adeyemo is an American economist and public policy expert. He is currently serving as the Deputy Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury, a role he has held since January 2021. Prior to his appointment as Deputy Secretary, Adeyemo served as the President of the Centre for Global Development, a think tank focused on international development issues. He has also worked in various roles in the government, including as Chief of Staff to the National Economic Council and as Deputy National Security Advisor for International Economics. Adeyemo has a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of California, Berkeley and a law degree from Yale Law School.



Victor Ochen

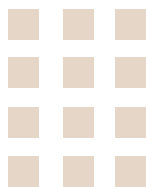
Uganda



Victor Ochen a peace activist, and the Founder and Executive Director for African Youth Initiative Network (AYINET). He has also worked with the United Nations and various other international organizations on issues related to peace and human rights.

Ochen's work has been recognized and supported by a number of high-profile individuals and organizations. He has also been featured in numerous media outlets, including CNN, the New York Times, and the Guardian, and has spoken at events around the world on issues related to human rights, peace, and reconciliation.

In recognition of his contributions to human rights and peace, Ochen has received numerous awards and accolades, including the Aurora Prize for Awakening Humanity in 2016, he was also a nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2016. In 2015, Ochen was named one of the BBC's 100 Women, a list of inspiring and influential women from around the world.



Wanjiru Kamau-Rutenberg

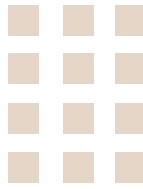
Kenya



She is the executive director of Rise, a project that Schmidt Futures and the Rhodes Trust are working on together.

To address the underrepresentation of women in leadership roles in Africa, Kamau-Rutenberg founded Akili Dada, a leadership incubator for young girls and women situated in Nairobi, Kenya. From August 2008 through March 2014, Kamau-Rutenberg worked as an assistant professor at the University of San Francisco in San Francisco, California.

Dr. Kamau-Rutenberg has won numerous awards over the years, including being named one of the Top 40 Women Under 40 in Kenya, one of the 100 Most Influential Africans by New African magazine, a Ford Foundation Champion of Democracy, the United Nations Intercultural Innovation Award, a 2018 Archbishop Desmond Tutu Fellow, and others. She was also named a White House Champion of Change by the Obama Administration.



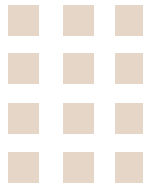
WF Kumuyi

Nigeria



Nigerian pastor William Folorunso Kumuyi founded and serves as general overseer of the Deeper Christian Life Ministry in Nigeria. He is the author of several devotionals and books for Christians. According to estimates from 2005, the Christian ministry had over 800,000 affiliates. Experts ranked the church auditorium at the international headquarters as the fourth largest in the world; it could accommodate up to 30,000 worshipers.

He has established more than 6,000 deeper life branches throughout Nigeria and numerous branches throughout other African nations, Europe, Asia, Australia/Oceania, and the Americas.



Wided Bouchamaoui

Tunisia

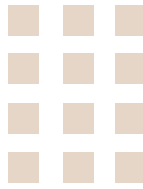


Bouchamaoui has been the leader of the Tunisian Confederation of Industry, Trade, and Handicrafts since 2011. She is also a businessman from Tunisia and a member of UTICA. In 2013, she became the head of the Tunisian National Dialogue Quartet, and her involvement with the group contributed to it winning the Nobel Peace Prize in 2015. She has been recognized as one of the top 25 businesswomen in Africa by the French publication Jeune Afrique.

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The way to gain a good reputation is
to endeavor to be what you desire to
appear

- *Socrates*



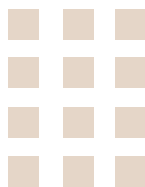
William K. Ruto

Kenya



William K. Ruto is a Kenyan politician who is serving as the fifth and current president of Kenya since 13 September 2022. Prior to becoming president, he served as the 11th deputy president of Kenya from 2013 to 2022.

The Minister of Home Affairs, the Minister of Agriculture, and the Minister of Higher Education were among the several cabinet posts he has held. From 1997 until 2007, Ruto served as a member of parliament for the Eldoret North seat under H.E. William K. Ruto.



Winnie Byanyima

Uganda

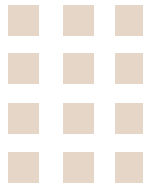


As an Under-Secretary-General of the UN, she also serves as the Executive Director of UNAIDS. exemplary as a change agent. a fervent and enduring advocate for social justice and gender equality.

Ms. Byanyima served 11 years in the Ugandan parliament and was elected for three times. She served as the leader of Uganda's first legislative women's caucus and fought for innovative gender equality measures to be included in the nation's post-conflict constitution in 1995.

Ms. Byanyima is an international expert on inequality who has co-chaired the World Economic Forum and served on the Global Commission on Adaptation, the Global Commission on the Future of Work, and the Advisory Council on Gender and Development for the International Labor Organization.

Ms Byanyima has received several honors, including honorary doctorates from the University of the Free State in South Africa, the University of Manchester in the United Kingdom, and Mount Saint Vincent University in Canada. The Latin American Council of Social Sciences awarded her the 2018 Human Rights and Solidarity among Peoples Prize.

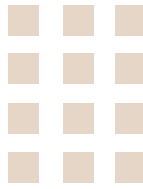


Wilfried Mbappé

Cameroon – France



Wilfried Mbappe is of Cameroonian descent and works as a football coach and agent. He is also the agent for his son, Kylian Mbappe, who has become a well-known professional footballer. Despite not having a notable career as a player himself, Wilfried has gained recognition due to his son's success in the sport.

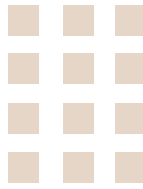


Workneh Gebeyehu Negewo

Ethiopia



Workneh Gebeyehu Negewo is a politician from Ethiopia who has held a number of high-ranking positions in the government of Ethiopia. He has served as the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia since 2016 and has previously served as the Minister of Transport. Prior to his appointment as a minister, Negewo held a number of other positions in the Ethiopian government. He is a member of the Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Democratic Front (EPRDF) party



Zeinab Badawi

Sudan-British



Zeinab Badawi is a British journalist and television presenter. She is best known for presenting BBC World News' "Hardtalk" program, a daily interview program that features in-depth conversations with newsmakers from around the world. Badawi has also presented other programs for the BBC, including "Global Questions" and "The World Tonight." In addition to her work as a journalist, Badawi is also a trustee of the National Portrait Gallery since 2004. She has received several awards for her work, including an honorary degree from the University of Sussex and an Order of the British Empire (OBE) for her services to journalism.



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