

WLI NEWSLETTER - ISSUE 01

A New Chapter of Impact Executive Chairman/Founder's Welcome Note



It is with great pride and a profound sense of purpose that I warmly congratulate the Women Leadership Institute (WLI) on the successful launch of its inaugural newsletter.

This milestone marks a new and exciting chapter in our ongoing journey to promote the visibility, voice, and agency of women in leadership across Nigeria and the African continent. The newsletter will serve not only as a platform for sharing our work, ideas, and achievements, but also as a vital medium for engaging stakeholders, amplifying women's stories, and strengthening our collective resolve to mainstream women into leadership at every level of society.

As the Founder and Executive Chairman, I commend the editorial team, contributors, and all who made this vision a reality. Your commitment and creativity have birthed a powerful communication tool that will deepen our impact, expand our reach, and inspire transformative conversations in the leadership space.

Let this inaugural edition be a clarion call to action—a testament to the resilience, innovation, and leadership potential of African women. Together, we will continue to build a future where women lead not from the margins, but from the very center of development and decision-making.

Congratulations once again to the WLI family. May this publication grow in strength, relevance, and influence.

Amb. Dr. Kema Chikwe

Founder & Executive Chairman
Women Leadership Institute (WLI).

"Our Network, Our Strength: WLIN Chapters across Nigeria"

The Women Leadership Institute Network (WLIN) chapters are driving real change—state by state, woman by woman. These chapters bring together women from diverse backgrounds—professionals, entrepreneurs, civil servants, educators, creatives, and more—all united by a shared goal: to nurture and amplify women's leadership in every sector of society.

Each WLIN chapter carries out initiatives that reflect the unique needs of their communities, from mentorship programs to professional development workshops and advocacy campaigns. Their work forms the backbone of WLI's mission and ensures that our values are lived out in practical, powerful ways.



✦ Coming Soon: Chapter in focus

In each edition of this newsletter, we'll be spotlighting different chapters—shedding light on the women behind the work, their events, their stories and the impact they're making on the ground.

This is more than a network—it's a movement. And it's happening.

"Mark Your Calendar: What's coming here's What's Coming"

1. ✦ WLI 8th Anniversary Conference

Thursday, August 21, 2025

Join us for our flagship event this August as we celebrate 8 years of empowering women leaders. Expect powerful keynotes, enriching sessions, and real conversations that drive change. Full agenda and details will be shared soon.

2. ✦ Dress for Success Drive

🕒 Collection Drive Begins Soon

WLI will be launching its Dress for Success Drive—a donation campaign to collect gently used corporate wear, gadgets, and work-ready items for women preparing to enter or re-enter the workforce. Let's give with purpose and empower confidence through clothing.

Details on how to donate and be a part of the campaign will be shared soon.

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