

# WIEN NEWSLETTER

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"WIEN Re-emphasize Imperative for Gender Parity in Energy Sector"

As Africa grapples with the challenges of the energy sector and how to usher in the ideas that will engender its development, the industry is regrettably faced with a glaring gender disparity that impedes its growth





## WIEN Leads Conversations on Breaking Barriers in Nigeria's Energy Sector at NIES

The Nigeria International Energy Summit (NIES) is the official Industry event of the Federal Government of Nigeria and remains the only officially endorsed at the highest level of the Federal Executive Council. It is the global platform for stimulating discussions, interactions. With on-going reforms in the sector and improved engagement with host communities, Nigeria is positioning herself to be the foremost energy investment destination.

NIES is a meeting between key Nigerian political decision-makers, government officials, directors, and specialists from the Ministry, NNPC, Directors of National and International companies, multinational and multilateral organizations, the academia, and other relevant stakeholders.

NIES 2024, held from February 26th to March 1st 2024 at the International Conference Centre in Abuja, highlighted significant contributions from members of the Women In Energy Network (WIEN). The event, officially endorsed by the Federal Executive Council, has established itself as a pivotal platform for high-level discussions and deal-making in the energy sector.

Throughout the summit, WIEN members were at the forefront as speakers and moderators, leading pivotal discussions aimed at advancing Nigeria's energy sector. Their prominent roles underscored the growing influence and expertise of women in the energy industry.

Additionally, several companies associated with WIEN members participated in the summit, leveraging the opportunity to network with key decision-makers and industry leaders. The event drew participants from government bodies, national and international companies, independent entities, investors, and service providers from across the globe.

The summit prided itself on providing unrivaled opportunities for deal-making and discussions that are set to reshape the energy landscape. This year's gathering allowed companies and individuals to showcase their expertise and market their goods and services, further enhancing their visibility and impact within the industry.

members of the Women In Energy Network (WIEN) took center stage, delivering expert insights aligned with the summit's theme, "Navigating the New Energy World Order: Security, Transition, and Finance." The event, a cornerstone for high-level discourse and networking in the energy sector, saw active participation from prominent WIEN members across various discussions.

Eyono Fatayi-Williams, Director at JDR Energy Resources and President of WIEN, skillfully moderated the Women in Energy Roundtable-Experience Sharing, which took place on Tuesday. The roundtable provided a platform for sharing experiences and strategies to enhance women's impact in energy.

Another notable contribution came from Elohor Aiboni, Managing Director at SNEPCo and WIEN Board of Trustees member. Aiboni spoke at the Nigerian Petroleum Producers Forum on Wednesday (day 3), offering her unique perspectives on the challenges and opportunities within Nigeria's petroleum industry. Read more...

## " WIEN and Members Receive WomEnergy Africa Award 2024."

Congratulations to the Network. and three of our esteemed members on receiving the womEnergy Africa Award at the 2024 womEnergyAfrica Gala and Awards.

#### **Awardees:**

- 1. Ibilola Amao Principal Consultant, Lonadek Global Services and Co-Founder, WIEN
- 2. Elohor Aiboni Managing Director, Shell Nigeria Exploration & Production Company, Member WIEN Board of Trustees and Founding Member, WIEN
- 3. Audrey Joe-Ezigbo Deputy Managing Director of Falcon Corporation Limited and Founding Member, WIEN.

Your relentless pursuit of excellence sets a remarkable standard for all of us and your contributions to the energy sector serve as a beacon of hope and encouragement for aspiring women in the industry and around the globe. You are truly trailblazers! Engage on Social media



# WOMEN IN ENERGY NETWORK INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION BETWEEN WOMEN IN ENERGY NETWORK AND POWERFUL WOMEN



## International Collaboration to Support Women in Energy

The UK's POWERful Women (PfW) and Nigeria's Women in Energy Network (WIEN) have announced a new collaboration to help advance women in the two countries' energy sector. Meeting at the Energy Institute during WIEN's visit to the UK in April, the two organizations agreed to work together to provide mutual support, resources and learnings. Read more...

Eyono Fatayi-Williams, President of the Women In Energy Network (WIEN), expressed enthusiasm about the potential for collaboration between the two organizations.

"We are eager to learn from the experiences of POWERful Women, particularly how they have successfully established their initiative in the UK and worked collaboratively with industry, government, and other organizations to foster gender diversity," said Fatayi-Williams. She highlighted the importance of sharing strategies and insights that have driven progress in their respective regions.

Georgina Worrall, head of POWERful Women, praised the Women In Energy Network (WIEN) for its impactful work and was excited about supporting WIEN's expansion. She emphasized the benefits of learning from each other and anticipates close collaboration between the two organizations.





# International Women's Day 2024: WIEN Calls for Inclusion and Diversity in Line with SDGs



Women in Energy Network have called on the government and private sector organizations to intensify actions on the issue of gender equality in the country, saying that the on-going search for solution to multifaceted economic challenges of the country may end up as a barren exercise without resolving the issue of inclusivity and diversity.

WIEN emphasized that - in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) - government should adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels. This, they insisted, would instigate and compel private sector groups in the country to begin to take diversity and inclusion seriously and integrate same as part of their corporate policies.

They regretted that despite their significant contributions to socioeconomic and political development in the country, as facts and figures have demonstrated, women's representation is not keeping pace with their efforts, a situation which they said does not harmonize with what obtains in other climes and the declarations of the global bodies like the United Nations, World Bank and International Monetary Fund.

WIEN's brilliant and highly-articulate women who spoke on Friday 15th March, in Lagos, where they gathered on an IWD 2024 Round Table discussion at Pier Harbour, Victoria Island, to deliberate on the theme: Breaking Barriers, Building Inclusive Teams and Fostering Diversity in the Workplace, noted that everyone is equal in dignity and deserves to be treated equally and wondered why it should be different in Nigeria.

The event which was organized by the American Business Council (ABC) in collaboration with Women In Energy Network (WIEN) and sponsors: Pier Harbour, GE Health Care and Google, aligns with the campaign theme for International Women's Day (IWD) 2024 which is 'Inspire Inclusion.

### **WIEN's Activities for IWD 2024**

- Career Talk With Starzs Investment Co. Ltd
- Eunisell IWD Talk
- Vital Voices Global Mentoring Walk
- WIEN/ABC Roundtable Event



All the speakers and panelists agreed that inspiring others to understand and value women's inclusion not only fosters a better world but also cultivates a sense of belonging, relevance, and empowerment among women themselves, adding that the theme underscores the crucial role of inclusion in achieving gender equality and encourages everyone to recognize the unique perspectives and contributions of women.

Inspire inclusion encourages everyone to recognize the unique perspectives and contributions of women from all walks of life, including those from marginalized communities.

Their discussions centered on the place of the woman in workplace, education politics and leadership, healthcare, technology and innovation and these they decried as fallen short of expectation given the significant contributions of women to economic development of the country.

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## Powering Progress: Women in Energy Network's 2024 Courtesy Visits: Q1-Q2



Courtesy Visit to the Commissioner of Energy, Lagos State - Jan 29<sup>th</sup> 2024



Courtesy Visit to ND Western on Mar 19<sup>th</sup> 2024



Courtesy Visit to Aradel Holdings on Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 2024



Courtesy Visit to Powerful Women & El UK on April 11<sup>th</sup> 2024



Courtesy Visit to NNPC Retail on March 18th 2024



Courtesy visit to Total Energies Headquarters - Lagos on May 9<sup>th</sup> 2024





# WIEN's Monthly Activities

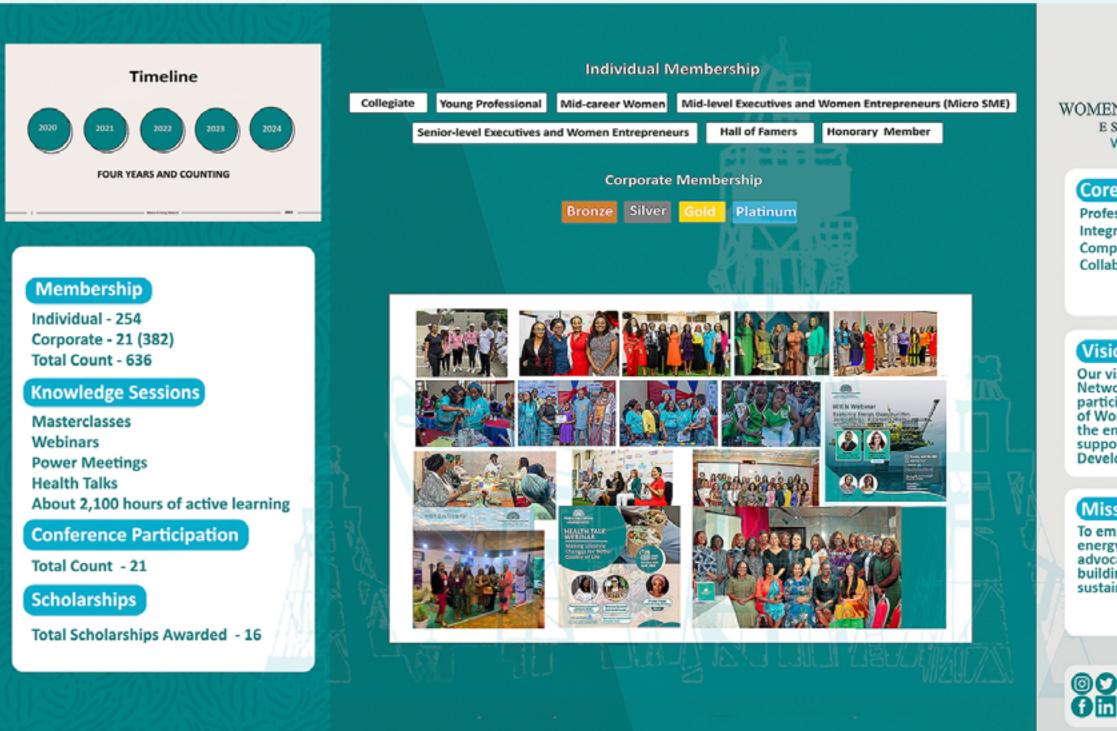
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WCW & MCM for the Month

Monday Motivations

Member Congratulations

Book Recommendations





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