

## Felicite RWEMARIKA

Country (RWA) Rwanda



### Education:

2004-2005 Cambridge Tutorial College, UK

**Qualification:** International Diploma in Business Administration

1977-1980 : School of Nursing in Uganda

**Qualifications:** Diploma in nursing

### Career:

**May 2017- 2021 To date:** President of Conflict Resolution Organ in Rwanda Civil Society Platform;

**2015-Todate:** Chairperson & Legal Representative of Rwanda NGOs Forum on HIV/AIDS & Health Promotion (RNGOF on HIV/AIDS & HP) a National Network of 127 National NGOs working in Health Sector;

**2006-Todate:** Executive Director: Association of Kigali Women in Sports (AKWOS);

**2004 -2007 We- Actx for Hope:** Director for RWISA (Rwanda Women Inter-Association Study and Assessment)

**2003- 2004:** Solidarity Camps Health Officer (camp of released genocide prisoners who pleaded guilty);

**1980-1985:** Midwife/Nurse: Kabale Hospital Uganda.

**1988-1995:** Administrative/ financial manager Nyondo Clinic - Uganda

### Sports practised

Women's Football

### Sports career

- Association of Kigali Women Footballers (AKWOS), Rwanda Founder/President
- Organized the structure of female football on the National level
- Recruited and trained teams from grass-root level in every province of the country
- Organized International Friendly Matches
- Uprooted the strong cultural beliefs that Sports is only for men
- Bringing together different women stakeholders in; Military, Business, Politics & Schools through organizing friendly matches.
- Grouped Women Football Teams members into co-operatives in the Promotion of
- Agriculture as a strategy to fight poverty and sensitization on financial literacy that have motivated them to join the saving and credit schemes.
- Organized 3 International Conference on Gender Equity in Sports for Social Change

## **SPORTS ADMINISTRATION**

- Founder, Chair and legal representative of AKWOS (Organization Kigali Women in Sports). (2003-);
- Board member of the international women's organisation "Women Win" (2007-2011);
- Executive and Advisor of the RNOSC (Rwanda National Olympic and Sports Committee) (2013-2017);
- Elected First Vice President of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of Rwanda (2018-2021)
- President for the Women's Football Commission in the Rwandan Football Federation (FERWAF) (2017-2018),
- Rwanda Women and Sports Commission (2013-)

### **October 2018 to Date:**

- Member of International Olympic Committee;

### **2006-Todate**

- Executive Director : Association of Kigali Women in Sports (AKWOS);
- Founder of female football and other sports in Rwanda
- Spearheaded the movement of sports for social change in Rwanda .
- Board member as advisor and Presides the Women and Sport Commissioner in the Rwanda National Olympic and Sports Committee.
- Pioneer for the use of sports as a Unity and Reconciliation tool
- Establisher of sports as platform for addressing social issues like HIV/AIDS, and Domestic Violence ,Women and Children's Right ,Reproductive health ,conflicts resolution and promotion of Unity and Reconciliation,
- Representative council starting from the Sector level, District level to the Provincial level.
- Board member and President of Women and Sports in the Rwanda National Olympic committee
- Initiated and still Preside over Regional Initiative for Women Advancement through Sport (RIWAS)

**2002-2004** Treasurer at The National Women Association council for the Promotion of Sports Rwanda

### **Awards and distinctions:**

- Awarded the Trophy *Femme Francophone de l'AIMF 2018 in the 38th Congres de l' Association des Maires Francphone* in France 5th November 2018
- Elected First Vice President of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of Rwanda.
- The first Rwandan to get to the top of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).
- In 2016, IOC Award for Women and Sport on the African continent in honor of devotion to helping Rwandan women and girls in different areas, particularly sports

### **IOC History:**

- Elected as a member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) at the 113rd IOC Session in Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Active member of IOC History Sport and Active Society Commission since 2017.