



Rule of Law And Empowerment Initiative
also known as
PARTNERS WEST AFRICA NIGERIA

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The criminal justice system is too important and crucial in the fabric of a democratic state to have agencies that are inefficient and are not being held accountable.

Kemi Okenyodo (2019)



FORWARD

With just two staff in 2015, the Rule of Law and Empowerment Initiative also known as Partners West Africa Nigeria (PWAN) has grown to over thirty staff in three state offices with a reach across sixteen states of the country. I can say without a doubt that our growth has been phenomenal and impactful. This has been made possible by our brilliant and outstanding staff, refined values, and excellent strategic planning.

Post the COVID-19 pandemic, organizations have had to readjust. PWAN followed suit by first resuming remotely before physical resumption took place. As a women-led and women-driven organization, the need to accommodate the uniqueness of our staff is of paramount importance to us so we strive to ensure that our staff give their best in the home and office front. This has led us to put in arrangements that ensure effectiveness wherever staff is located.

Our programs saw a boost and projects recorded huge success. The Rule of Law and Empowerment Initiative is also known as Partners West Africa Nigeria (PWAN) through its Citizen Security program area enhanced the capacity of one hundred women to engage in politics and governance in Nigeria,

promoted meaningful engagements and collaborations between women and security institutions in crises areas, built the capacity of civil society organizations using the resiliency+ framework, and provided a platform for collaboration and cooperation between security agencies and oversight bodies.

The Rule of Law program area also recorded tremendous successes in their projects implementations. PWAN conducted training for police officers and other stakeholders on the use of the Custody Monitor Dashboard to significantly reduce the time suspects spend in police detention increased the number of states that have adopted the ACJL and put in place monitoring/oversight agencies, and strengthened inter-agency cooperation in the judicial sector.

Our annual retreat which was supposed to hold late in the year was moved to early 2022. So far, extensive plans are being made to achieve our mission and goal which is to enhance citizens' participation and improve security governance in Nigeria and West Africa. We are excited about the future and hope to increase our impact.

MS' KEMI OKENYODO

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PWAN

THE EVOLUTION OF PWAN

PWAN was conceptualized by Ms Kemi Okenyodo, its founder driven by her desire to overturn the ongoing challenge of women being underrepresented in the hearts of the decision-making process within the security and governance sector. With over 20 years of experience in the NGO sector, she aspired to create a safe space (working environment) where women can grow, develop skills, and be given equal opportunities with their male counterparts in leadership capacities as part of their careers progression.

Ever since its inception in 2015 as a women-led and women-driven organization focusing on good governance and security in Nigeria, PWAN has grown in 5 years to enhance citizens' participation and improve security governance in Nigeria and West Africa broadly. We are able to achieve this through our Rule of Law and Citizens Security +program areas.

We have evolved over the years and have continued to expand our reach and impact through the introduction of a new program area called CSOS strengthening. This program area seeks to improve the resilience of other civil society organizations.

In the space of 5 years, we have secured funding across a diverse portfolio which includes funding from the bilateral, multilateral, foundation and donor-driven mechanisms. Starting out with only one employee in 2015, PWAN now has a total staff strength of 30 people and is making an impact on the nation of Nigeria through our context.

Below is a map of how PWAN has evolved over the years.



2015-2021

THE EVOLUTION OF PWAN

2015

- Began as a women-led group focused on good governance and security in Nigeria in November
- Began as a concept in the heart of the ED which evolved into a team of three people which later grew to five

2016

- Registered formally as an NGO in January
- Increased to a staff of 2 that later grew to 5 persons by the end of the year
 - Focused on project area "Rule of Law"
 - PWAN got her first grant in March called "Baseline Study of Pretrial Practices within the Nigerian Police Force" which was funded by OSIWA, and 2 others later in the year funded by the Department of State - Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement (INL) and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO 1).

2017

- Increased staff strength to 17 persons
- Secured 3 grants which were funded by the Department of State - Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement (INL), Macarthur Foundation, and Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO 2).
- Opened a branch in Kano to serve the Northwestern part of Nigeria

2018

- Increased staff strength from 17 in the previous year to 20
 - Secured 4 new grants funded by Northeast Regional Initiative (NERI 1) National Endowment for Democratic (NED), Us Department of State - Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement (INL), and Open Society Initiative for West Africa (OSIWA) 1.
 - Emerged a new unit to focus on the easy dispensation of justice called The Public Defendant Unit

2022

At PWAN, we are excited to unveil the things we have planned for 2022 and we cannot wait to see the impact that will be created as a result of the projects we will be executing.

2021

- Even though the Social Accountability project ended the previous year in Kano, PWAN grew internally and continued to fund the Kano office by changing the model and continued providing pro-bono services to indigent persons.

2020

- An increased staff strength of 45 persons
 - Held our very first staff retreat
- Carried out the 'Trash for Justice' project
 - Renewed and secured grants from the following funders: OSIWA, DFATD, INL, NERI 3, NED 3, UNOPS AND FCO 3
 - No fieldwork was carried out due to the rise of COVID-19, however, the organization still ran, and meetings were held over Zoom.

2019

- Increased staff strength to 35 persons
 - Opened a new field office in Borno
 - Hosted her first Thematic Conveying: ...
 - Moved Abuja office space from Kado to a bigger office in Jabi

ABOUT US

PWAN is a passionate team of women who showcase an organizational model where young women are provided with safe and flexible working spaces to learn and develop skill sets to further their careers.

As a team, we have collectively over 30 years of experience in the peacebuilding and development sector. Our leading conversations around key thematic areas of education, security, and governance continue to drive the need for collaborative efforts.

The strategic focus of the organization is on increasing the participation of youth, women, and vulnerable groups in security and governance dialogues, through our Citizens' Security, Rule of Law, and CSO Strengthening program areas, we undertake specific interventions around women and citizens' participation, equal access to opportunities, rights, knowledge, and skills to engage.

Finally, we focus not only on short to medium-term improvements but have a deep-rooted commitment to driving longer-term change. This is demonstrated through our ongoing support to train and mentor young women in the political space to gradually increase their attainment of leadership roles in government. In these positions, women can more effectively influence necessary institutional and legislative changes which will positively impact future generations of women.

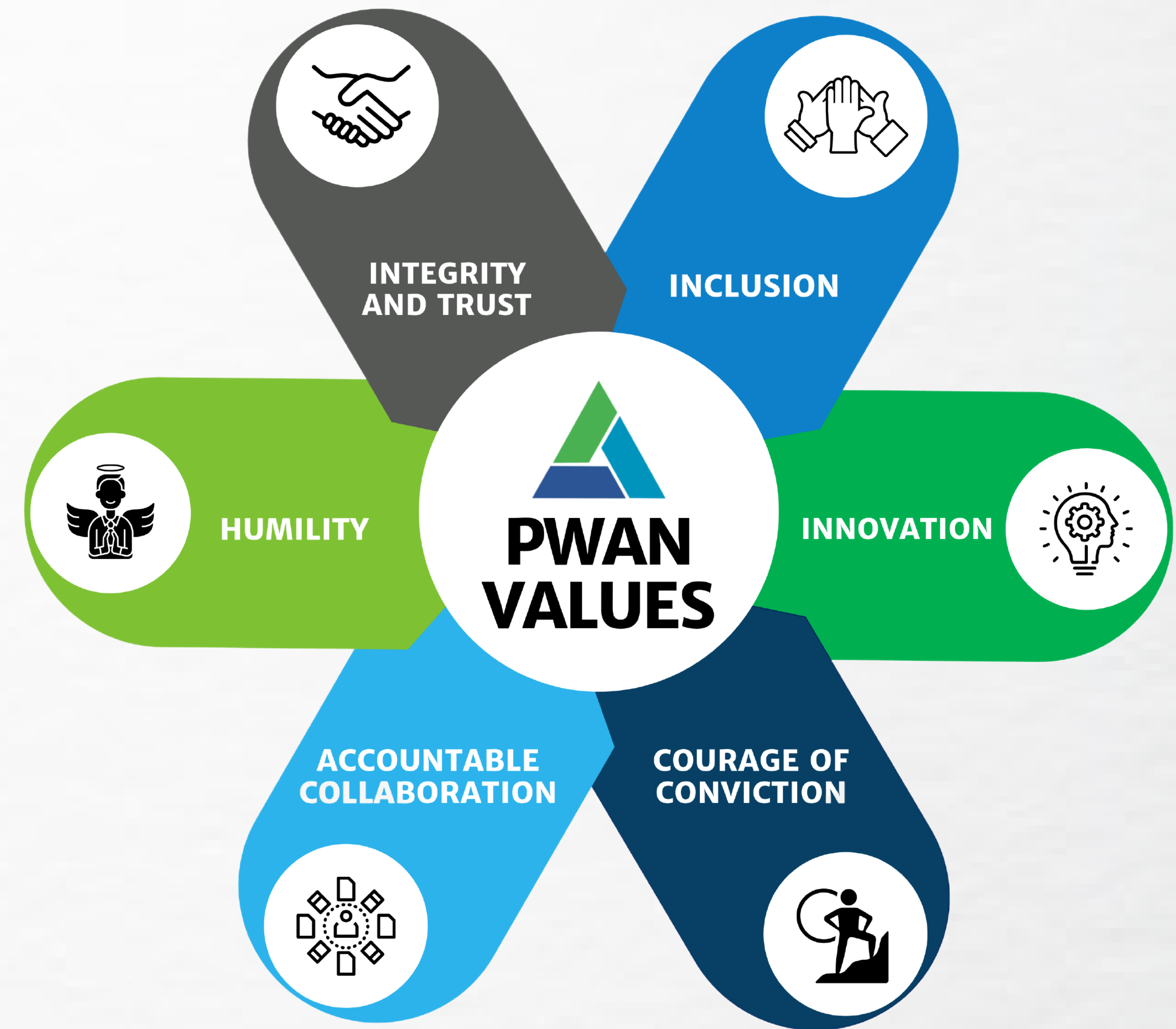
VISION

Enhances citizens' participation and improves security governance in Nigeria and West Africa.

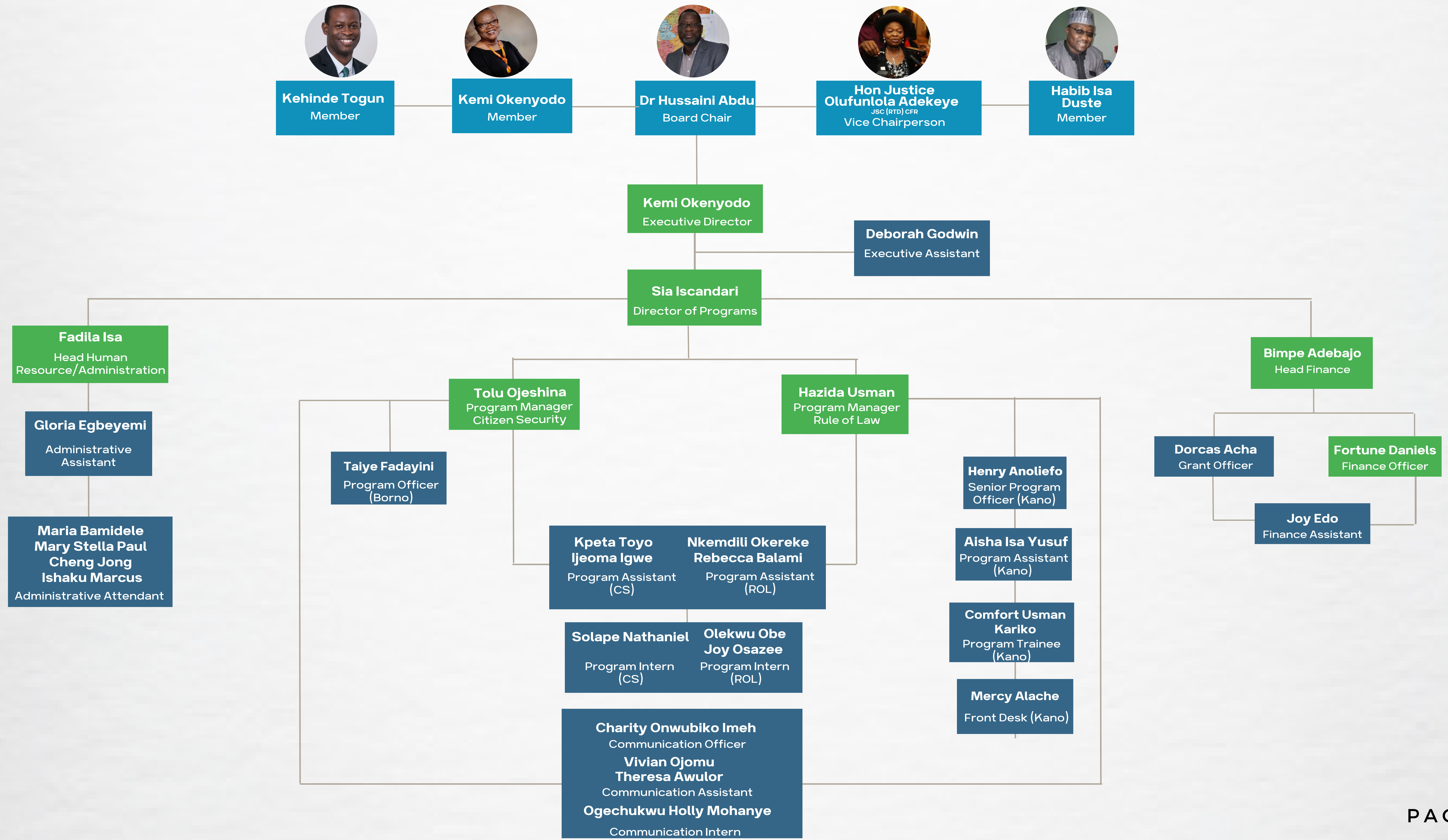
MISSION

Robust good governance & accountable institutions in Nigeria and West Africa.

VALUES



ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

The organization drives an approach that embodies continuous improvement - internally to promote a centre of excellence building the capacity of young women from internship to senior-level positions and externally to produce value-driven and context-specific output. The organization is modelled to address key issues within security and governance:

Citizen Security

Nigeria is confronted with security challenges and social inequalities which are exacerbated and persistent in marginalized communities where there is a high level of distrust for the government. Through its Citizen security program area, PWAN works to improve relations between the government and the citizens. These efforts involve activities to enhance the capacity of women to engage in politics and governance and provide a collaboratory platform and cooperation between security agencies and oversight bodies.

Rule of Law.

The Nigerian Legal/Judicial institutions are faced with various challenges impeding the Successful promotion of the Rule of Law and effective dispensation of justice with corruption and inadequate capacity overshadowing constitutionalism and constitutional democracy. To address this, PWAN through its Rule of Law program area works to improve transparency and accountability through court observation, provision of technical support that hastens the dispensation of justice, and training/capacity buildings of criminal Justice Actors.

CSO Strengthening

PWAN works with Civil Society organisations to strengthen their capacity and ensure they become resilient, and have the ability to function and thrive within the closing civic space. The organization has published a memorandum on the NGO regulatory bill, and also participated in conversations about the CAMA Act.

To further improve CSO's accountability, PWAN is currently implementing a project that seeks to ensure that CSOs are more deliberate and conscious in addressing sexual harassment and inappropriate conduct.

PWAN has remained a source of information and a learning platform for young women who are encouraged to pursue their goals despite the constraints that come with being a woman.



CITIZENS SECURITY:

From violent extremism and insurgency to kidnapping for ransom, attacks on oil infrastructure, sectarian violence, farmer-herder clashes and organized crime, Nigeria grapples with a host of complex security challenges.

PWAN stepped in to ameliorate the relationship between the government and its people. We have created and implemented projects to enhance citizen participation and improve security governance in Nigeria and West Africa broadly.

The objective of the organization borders around ensuring that citizens are well informed and participate in decisions made by the government which affect their everyday lives.

We have adopted a strategy of partnering with civil society organizations, ministries, departments, agencies and security personnel to curb issues that obstruct the delivery of justice and the security of citizens.

RULE OF LAW:

The Rule of Law is a principle of governance in which all persons, institutions, and entities, public and private, including the State itself, are accountable to laws that are publicly promulgated, equally enforced, and independently adjudicated. Under this program area,

PWAN seeks to improve integrity and strengthen institutions that play a role in safeguarding the society and its governance structures, through a cooperative advocacy approach with all key stakeholders.

We aim to create a more stable society, by ensuring that the civil society sector and justice system are effective, sustainable, and accessible.



BEYOND VOTING, INCREASING WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS

FUNDER: NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR DEMOCRACY (NED)

There are Nigerian women, especially young women, interested in the politics and governance of the country but do not have the capacity to participate and engage in it. It is for this reason that the 'Beyond Voting, Increasing Women's participation in the political process (NED)' project was established.

The aim is to continue building and strengthening the capacity of women to participate in politics and shape government policies in Nigeria.

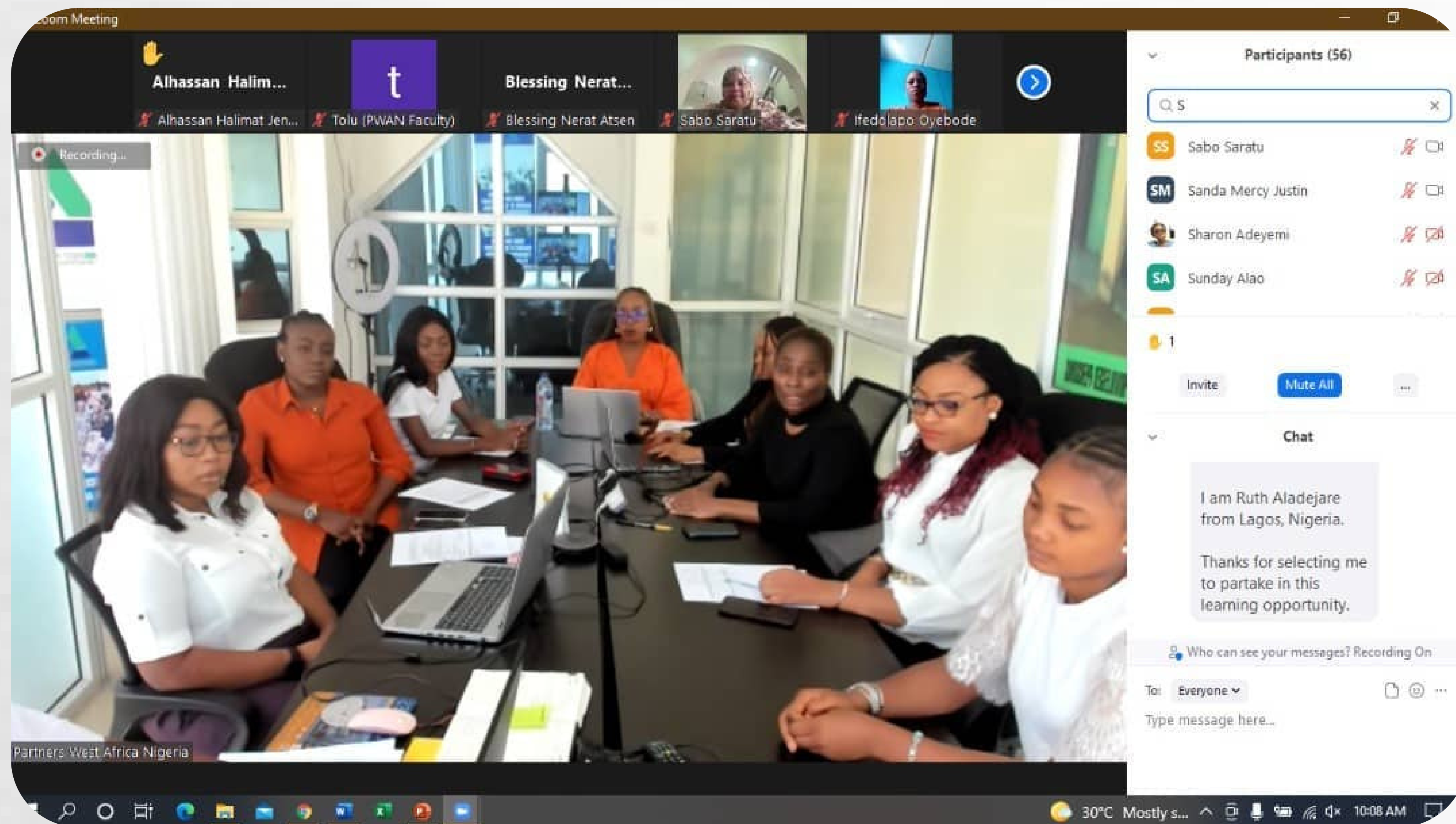
So far, three (3) phases have been carried out in the previous years and by 2021, we entered the fourth phase of the project. In this phase, we accelerated implementation with key strategies that enabled us to consolidate the gains with the government of civil society interventions. To do this, we engaged with the Ministry of Women Affairs to advocate for the political inclusion of women in Nigeria.

We successfully organized our first virtual training for 100 young women selected across the 6 geopolitical zones in Nigeria.

In total, we were able to train about 150 young women to engage in politics and governance in Nigeria, and these women have been strategically positioned to engage successfully in the 2023 General Elections.

Amongst these women are Rahila Dauda and Bushrah Balogun.





Through the Political Leadership and Mentorship Program, Rahila Dauda learned how to better engage with her constituency, young people and women at large.

To do this, she had to improve her communication skills. Bushrah Balogun, another woman that benefitted from the program, learned about the political structure of Nigeria and how to engage better as an active politician, especially at the executive and legislative levels at the grassroots.

They understood how these things work and how to get involved with governance and politics in the nation and so decided to take a step towards it. While implementing the NED project, based on lessons learnt we realized that the young women's capacity needed to be built not only in politics and governance but also in areas which includes mental health, and gender budgeting. These were included in the curriculum.

The second face of the Political Leadership and Mentorship Program of the bootcamp which is set to take place in January, 2022.

ILLUMINATING NEW SOLUTIONS AND PROGRAMMATIC INNOVATIONS FOR RESILIENT SPACES (INSPIRES)

FUNDER: UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (USAID)

Many organizations do not know how to respond and adapt swiftly to shocks or impacts in an uncertain environment. It is for this reason that the INSPIRES project was established.


The aim of the project was to build the capacity of Civil Society organizations (CSOs) using the Resiliency+ framework which helps them identify their external threats and internal vulnerabilities that hinder them from implementing projects effectively.

PWAN improved the capacity of six (6) CSOs in Nigeria providing a guide and structure which involved accessing their external and internal vulnerabilities and enabled them to strive and become resilient in an uncertain environment.

The CSOs that benefitted from the INSPIRES project are Youth Alive Foundation, Empowering Women for Excellence Initiative, Justice Development Peacemaker Centre, Osun, Women Empowerment Programme and Alliances for Africa.

The INSPIRES project has helped these organizations identify and prioritize specific areas where they need to improve, as a result of the Resilient Organization in Changing Civic Space (ROCCS) assessment they undertook.





WHAT IS RESILIENCY+

Analytical Framework


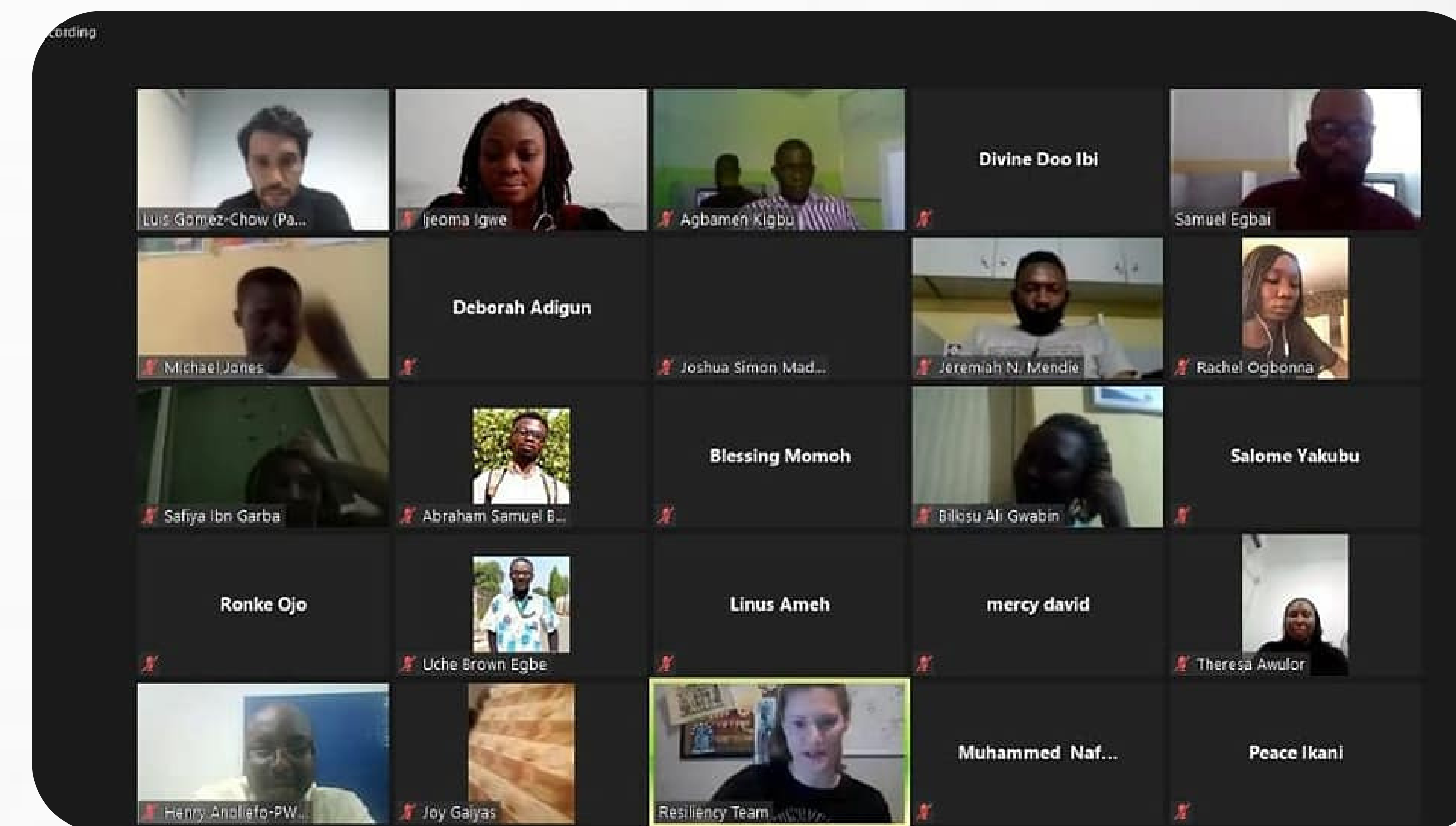
- Shed light on the new challenges and emerging conflict dynamics that impact civil society organizations.
- Allow organizations to pause and reflect and look at their strengths and vulnerabilities through the lens of resilience instead of traditional OD.

Structured Accompaniment Process

- Embed systems thinking and adaptive management in the organizational culture.
- Develop concrete strategies to prepare and respond to uncertainty, threats and crisis.

Dedicated Resources Space

- Curated collection of diverse resources and tools to support an organization's journey to organizational resilience and long-term sustainability.

A sub-committee was also created within the CSP known as the “Women’s Security Concerns Committee”. This platform enabled the women to speak freely and participate more effectively in the affairs of the committee.

As a result, we were able to strengthen the capacity of 20 women-led civil society organizations to engage more effectively with security sector institutions and to promote the safety and security of women and girls.

PWAN was also able to provide an avenue for women in the Northeast interested in the peace and security of their communities to engage more effectively in their communities and sustain the impact brought about, because of PWAN’s intervention.

MONITORING PRE-TRIAL DETENTION THROUGH A CUSTODY MONITOR DASHBOARD

SUPPORTED BY: CANADIAN FUND FOR LOCAL INITIATIVES (CFLI)

There is a problem of pre-trial detention and police governance in Nigeria. To alleviate this, there has to be accountability in the Nigeria Police Force and respect for human rights.

This is why the project 'Monitoring Pre-trial Detention through a Custody Monitor Dashboard', supported by Canadian Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI), was established. The project started in February 2020 and ended in March 2021.

The project involved the use of a tool known as 'Custody Monitor Dashboard (CMD)' developed by the Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto. In collaboration with justice actors in Nigeria, the tool was used to monitor police investigations and use of pre-trial detention in Nigeria.

The project sought to develop a prototype dashboard to measure, monitor, and govern the use of detention practices in police stations, build mechanisms that would ensure significant reduction in the length of time suspects spend

in police detention and develop a plan to feed the detention data into the Central Crime Registry and the Inspector General of Police's National Detention Monitoring Platform.

The project took place in seven (7) states; Borno, Enugu, Jigawa, Kano, Lagos, Ogun state commands and the FCT command..

To do these, PWAN conducted a two-day intensive training of ten (10) police officers each on data collection and dashboard population for the Custody Monitor Dashboard in the seven (7) states of intervention.





Some of these states included prosecutors from the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) to ensure synergy between the police and the MOJ which will, in turn, facilitate prosecutorial processes of pre-trial detainees.

As a result, PWAN successfully strengthened the capacity of the police commands in focal states on monitoring pre-trial detention and also supported the commands in the seven (7) states with computer systems to aid their existing systems in ensuring accountability and promotion of human rights.

Finally, PWAN established a community of practice for police leaders, the IGP, and investigators to meet and interpret findings, discuss challenges,

and come up with strategies for reducing pre-trial detention in the commands.

Although PWAN successfully achieved its goals, there was the challenge of the constant transfer of police officers who acquired the skills in operating and monitoring the Custom Monitor Dashboard.

However, one of the lessons learnt from executing the project/intervention is the need for impact assessment of the intervention to the beneficiaries.

PRACTITIONERS' SURVEY TO IDENTIFY THE LEVEL OF AWARENESS OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE LAW (ACJL)

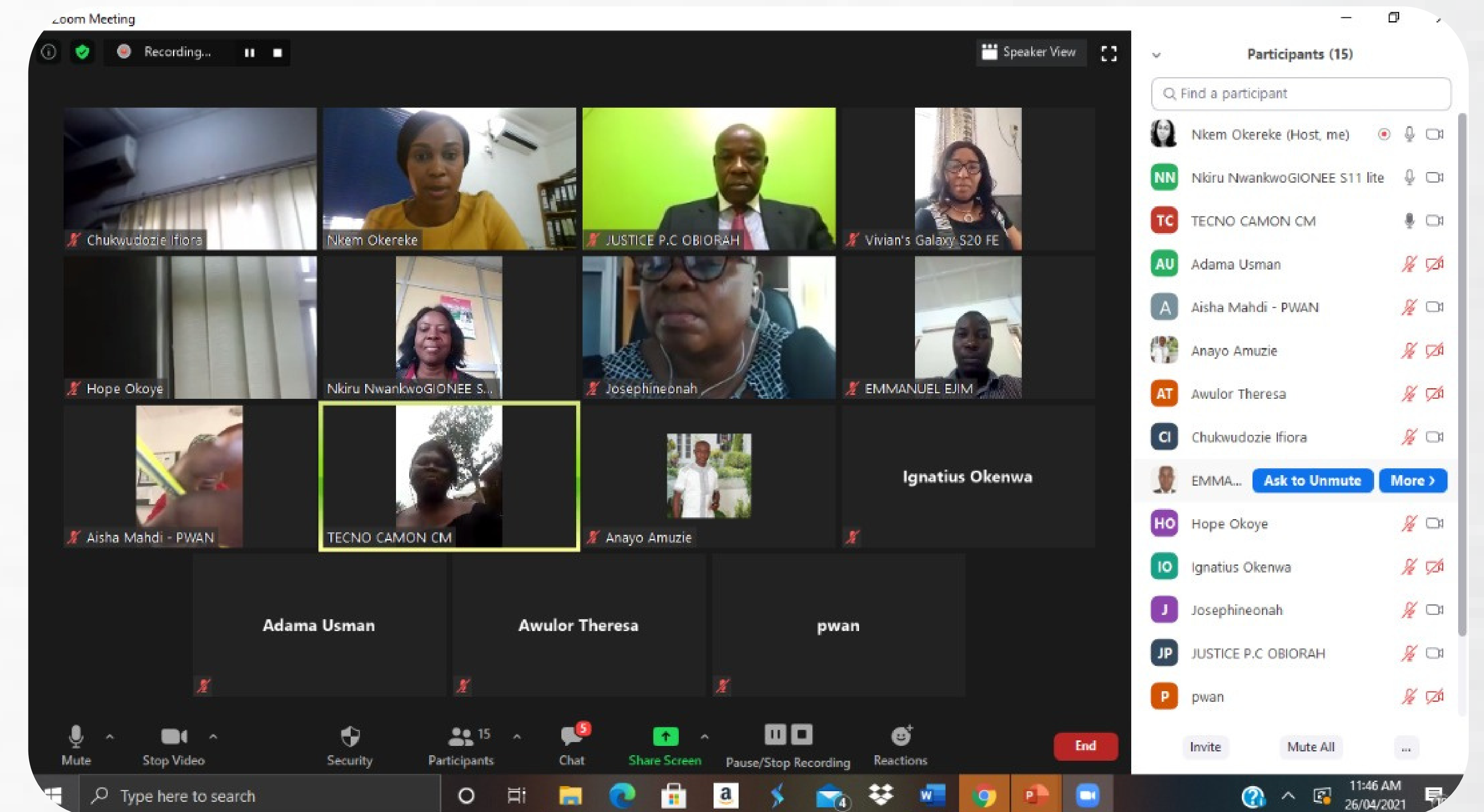
SPONSORED BY: THE RULE OF LAW AND ANTI-CORRUPTION PROGRAMME (ROLAC)

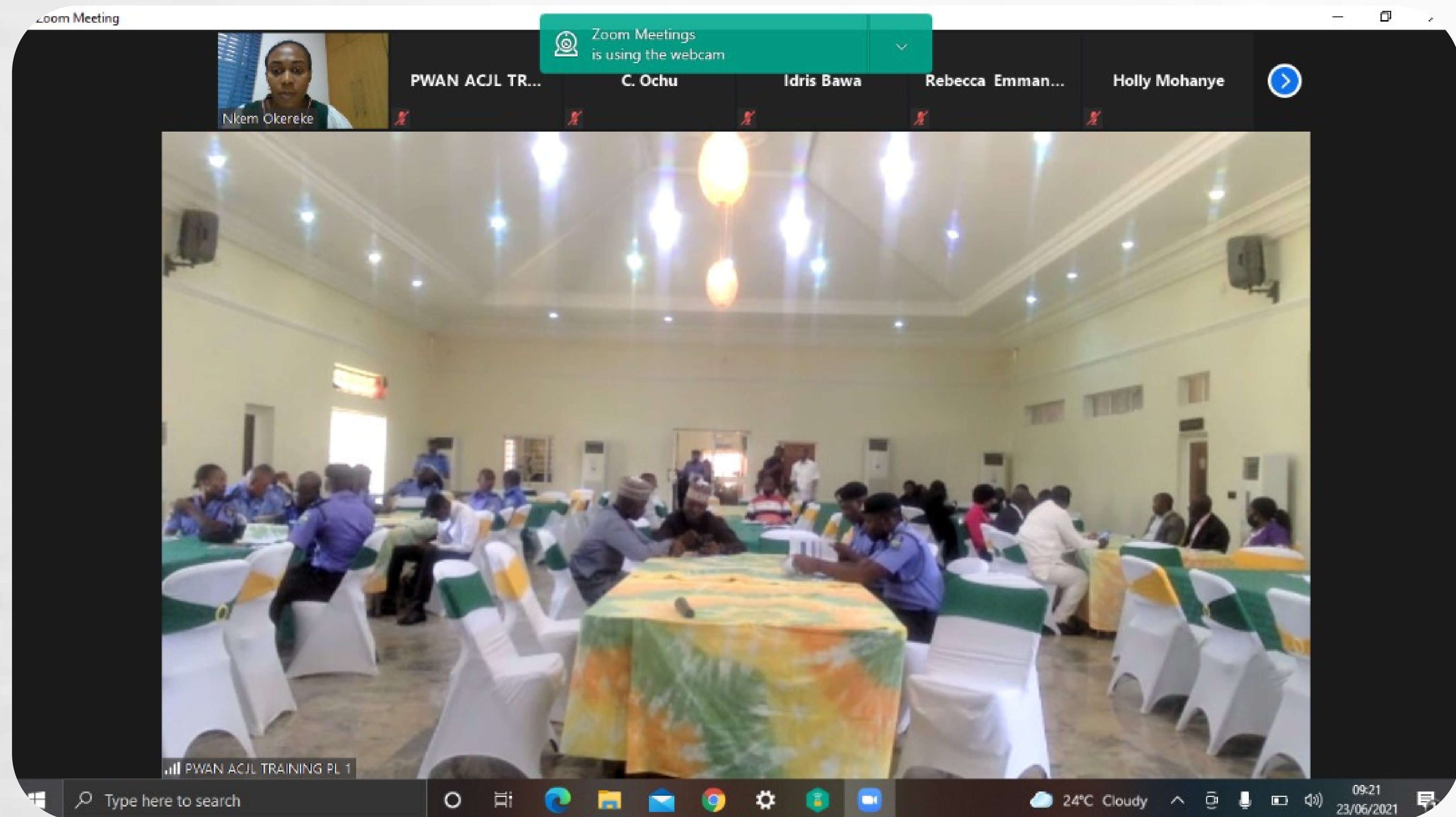
The Administration of Criminal Justice Act/Law (ACJA/L) was passed at the FCT and has subsequently been adopted by some states in the country.

The objective of the Law is to ensure that the system of administration of criminal justice in the state promotes efficient management of criminal justice institutions, speedy dispensation of justice, protection of the society from crime, and, protection of the rights and interests of the suspect, the defendant, and the victim.

The ACJ Law was passed in Adamawa state in December 2018 and in Kano state in May 2019. Even though the Laws were passed in these states, there were delays in getting the laws gazetted. As a result, the sensitization of justice sector agencies on the existence of the law and advocacy on implementation of the Law were affected. However, after the laws were gazetted, RoLAC (Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption Programme) supported some sensitization initiatives in both Adamawa and Kano states.

To guide further sensitization and implementation interventions, the project sought to identify the impact RoLAC interventions have had on awareness so far and establish a baseline against which programme implementation in the fourth year of the programme would be assessed.





The primary objective of the RoLAC project was to conduct an assessment and a practitioners' survey to identify the level of awareness and extent of implementing provisions of the ACJA/ Law in F.C.T, Lagos, Edo and Anambra states and to set the baseline on the level of awareness and implementation of the ACJ Law in Adamawa and Kano states.

PWAN selected and trained suitable interviewers to undertake the survey in all six (6) states and also administered the questionnaires to officials of various justice sector agencies in those states.

A major challenge to the RoLAC project was the respondents' fatigue which resulted in a low response from the criminal justice sector actors.

ENHANCING GENDER RESPONSIVE SECURITY OPERATIONS AND COMMUNITY DIALOGUE - SECURITY SECTOR REFORM (SSR)

FUNDER: UNWOMEN

Women in the Northeast are highly interested in the peace and security of their communities, but their voices and participation are stifled because of socio-cultural norms and practices in the Northeast. As a result of this, PWAN promoted meaningful engagement and collaboration between affected women, women's organizations, and security sector institutions and personnel. The aim of the 'Enhancing Gender Responsive Security Operations and Community Dialogue - Security Sector Reform (SSR)' project was to support policy-level interventions and dialogue, enhance institutional capacity and strengthen community security dialogue in the Northeast.

Implemented in Maiduguri Municipal Council (MMC) and Jere LGAs both in Borno State, and in Damaturu and Gujba LGAs both in Yobe State, PWAN, through the SSR project was able to set up Mixed Observer Teams (MOT) in the target states. The MOT is a composition of women in security agencies, government partners, women's organizations and leaders, and community women whose primary purpose is to carry out joint actions on the security and protection of women and girls in their communities. They do so by engaging with key stakeholders in their communities on issues of Gender-Based Violence/Sexual Exploitation and abuse. They also carry out continuous sensitization to increase the level of reporting of these issues





In addition, PWAN revived the Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) in Borno and Yobe and equipped the leaders with the knowledge and technical skills to facilitate dialogues and interventions on the security of their communities. A sub-committee was also created within the CSP known as the “Women’s Security Concerns Committee”. This platform enabled the women to speak freely and participate more effectively in the affairs of the committee.

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REFORMING PRETRIAL DETENTION IN NIGERIA PROJECT (RPDN)

FUNDER: US DEPARTMENT OF STATE – BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT (INL)

When people are detained in the police station, most times, they do not get the chance to go through a trial and because of that, some of them stay locked up for a long time, even up to 10 years. This is unjust and this is why the ‘Reforming Pretrial Detention in Nigeria Project’ was established.

This project commenced in 2020, building on the successes of the first phase of the project.

It was funded by the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) and aims to address the issues of pre-trial detention through the implementation of the Police Duty Solicitor Scheme (PDSS) and ensure adequate oversight of the implementation of the ACJA by providing institutional support by the Administration of Criminal Justice Monitoring Committee (ACJMC).

The objectives of this project were to ensure that legal aid and other pre-trial services are accessible to pre-trial detainees both in police stations and custodial centres and to facilitate the coordination and communication among the ACJMC, and other criminal justice actors, and CSOs towards the implementation of the ACJA.

PWAN was able to provide technical support to two courts in the FCT through this project and this reduced the timelines for case hearings. We also provided legal advice to both indigent detainees/suspects and police officers at ten (10) designated police stations in the FCT.

Since the inception of this project, administrative bail has been granted to over two hundred (250) indigent detainees/suspects at the designated police stations.



INSTITUTIONALIZING AND SUSTAINING THE GAINS OF REFORMS IN THE NIGERIA POLICE FORCE (NPF)

FUNDER: FOREIGN AND COMMON WEALTH OFFICE (FCO)

In Nigeria, there is a need for synergy, information sharing, and collaboration between security and oversight agencies and this is what the 'Institutionalizing and Sustaining the Gains of Reforms in the Nigeria Police Force' project was created to solve. The project aimed to engage with relevant stakeholders in reviewing the police regulations so they can be in line with the new Police Act 2020, relevant human rights instruments, and international best practices.

To achieve this, PWAN worked with the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) to enhance the reforms sought in the Nigerian Police Force by reviewing the police regulations. They also provided technical support to Executive agencies, particularly the Ministry of Police Affairs, the Police Service Commission, the Nigeria Police Force (NPF), the Police Community Relations Committees (PCRC), and Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) representing citizens.

In addition to that, we developed platforms for engagement between Executive agencies, Communities, and NPF. They also promoted public discourse on the Police Regulations and police reform and worked with other implementing partners such as BBC Media Action, and PLAC on sustainable dialogue on police reform.

This led to cooperation and collaboration between the security agencies and oversight agencies. It also ensured a more efficient and effective police force that is based on the principles of accountability, transparency, protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms.



WOMEN EMPOWERMENT TALK SHOW

PWAN is the first non-governmental organization to host a weekly television program titled “Women Empowerment Talk Show” which airs every Friday on Facebook and Akweya TV to discuss issues revolving around gender equality, independence of women and girls, Sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV), women and girls empowerment amongst others.

The program which has aired over 54 episodes since its inception has created awareness and sensitized the masses on issues surrounding gender inequalities, promoted the independence of women and girls and has also enlightened women on their rights and how they can participate in governance, peace and security processes, amongst others.

The show has recorded much success over the year as we have seen more women and girls actively participate in governance issues of their communities and society broadly. More men have also been encouraged to support women from the household to international institutions.

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INVITES YOU TO HER
WOMEN EMPOWERMENT TALK SHOW
Topic: Women and their Voices

Nkem Okereke
Host

Osai Ojigho
Guest Speaker

Ijeoma Igwe
Co-Host

Time: 11:00am
Date: 28th May 2021

Join us live on Facebook @Partners West Africa Nigeria

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INVITES YOU TO HER
WOMEN EMPOWERMENT TALK SHOW
Topic: Build Up the Woman

Nkem Okereke
Host

Hon Favour Tomomewo
Guest Speaker

Ijeoma Igwe
Co-Host

Time: 11:00am
Date: 11th June 2021

Join us live on Facebook @Partners West Africa Nigeria



INNOVATIONS

It is known that offenders of the law are sent to correctional centres to be detained and sometimes rehabilitated. In Nigeria, most of the correctional centres available are overcrowded with inmates. Some of these inmates are in for smaller crimes and need a fine to be set free while some cannot afford legal fees

Being overcrowded, the correctional centres in Nigeria need to be decongested. However, due to the economic hardship in Nigeria currently, not everyone has the money to pay these fines and legal fees, and as a result, they are detained longer than they should be.

It is for this reason PWAN came up with the Waste for Justice (W4J) and Yard sale Initiatives.



INNOVATIONS



WASTE FOR JUSTICE (W4J)

There are wastes everywhere and PWAN in the promotion of the Administration of Criminal Justice Act (ACJA) and the Nigeria Correctional Service Act on reformation and rehabilitation of offenders, collaborated with Chanja Datti to create W4J.

W4J is an initiative that seeks to collect, sort, and recycle waste, eventually converting them to cash. Not only does the cash raised go into paying the fines and legal fees of inmates, thereby setting some inmates free and decongesting correctional centres, it also makes the environment eco-friendly. It's a win-win initiative.



YARD SALE

In 2021, PWAN organized its first yard sale to generate money for decongesting correctional centres.

Items were donated by friends and stakeholders of the organization such as electronics, household items, clothes, shoes, toys, etc.

In 2022, PWAN would continue with this initiative.

WAY FORWARD

PWAN will continue to explore opportunities to expand and deepen our interventions in the criminal justice sector. We plan to achieve this by continuing our engagement in the sector with the aim of making it more transparent and responsive to women, children, and other vulnerable or marginalized groups.

We shall prioritize the security and safety of women during the 2023 general elections by providing empirical data to support election security management and citizens' awareness and sensitization campaigns.

In the coming year, we look forward to expanding our work into the humanitarian assistance sector with a particular focus on our core areas of strength which are: partnership, participation, and protection.

Lastly, as an organization that strives to remain successful and relevant, we will continue to improve and adapt to changing circumstances by strengthening our learning environment for continuous improvement by encouraging active learning and participation for all both staff and partners.



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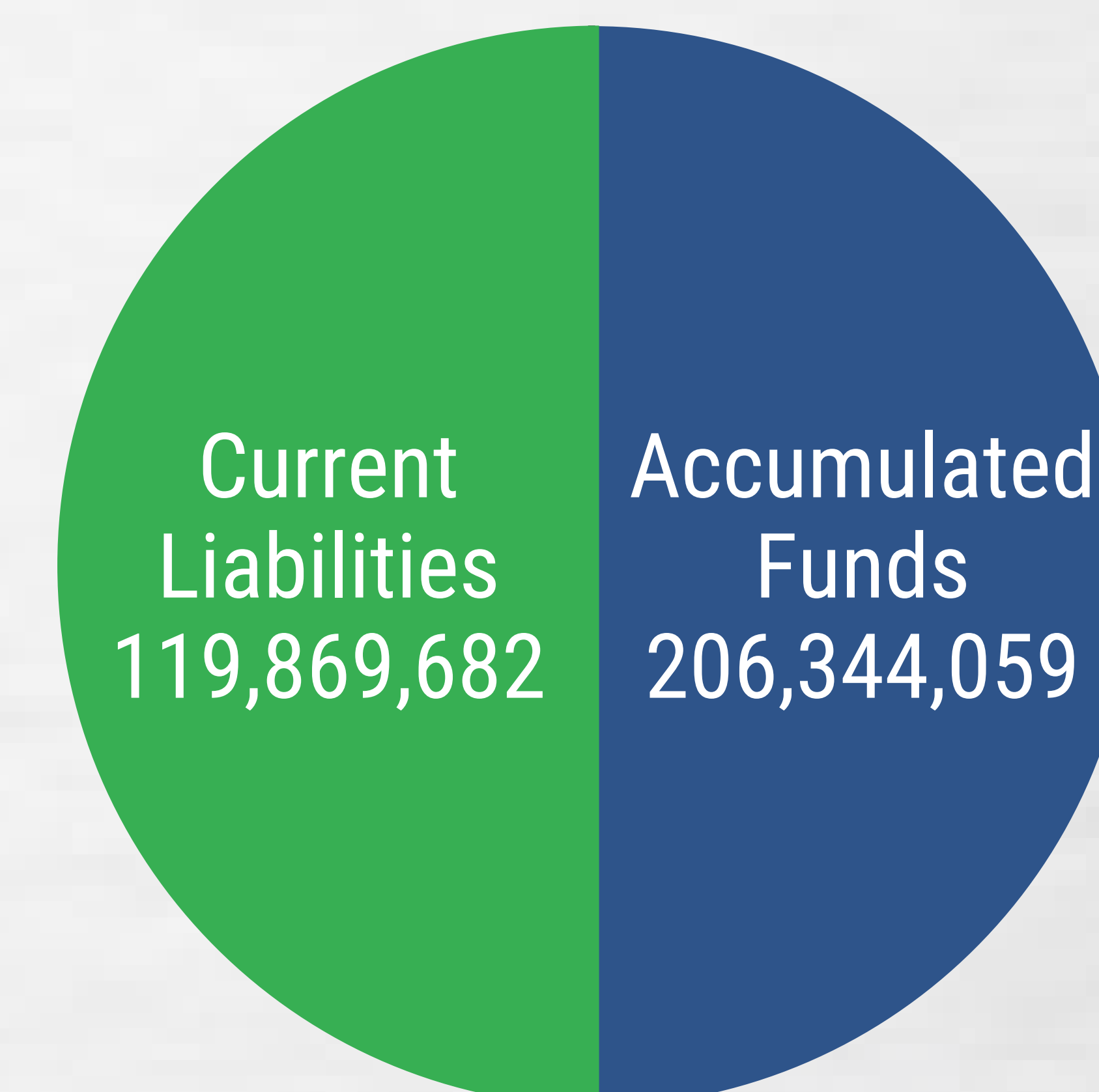
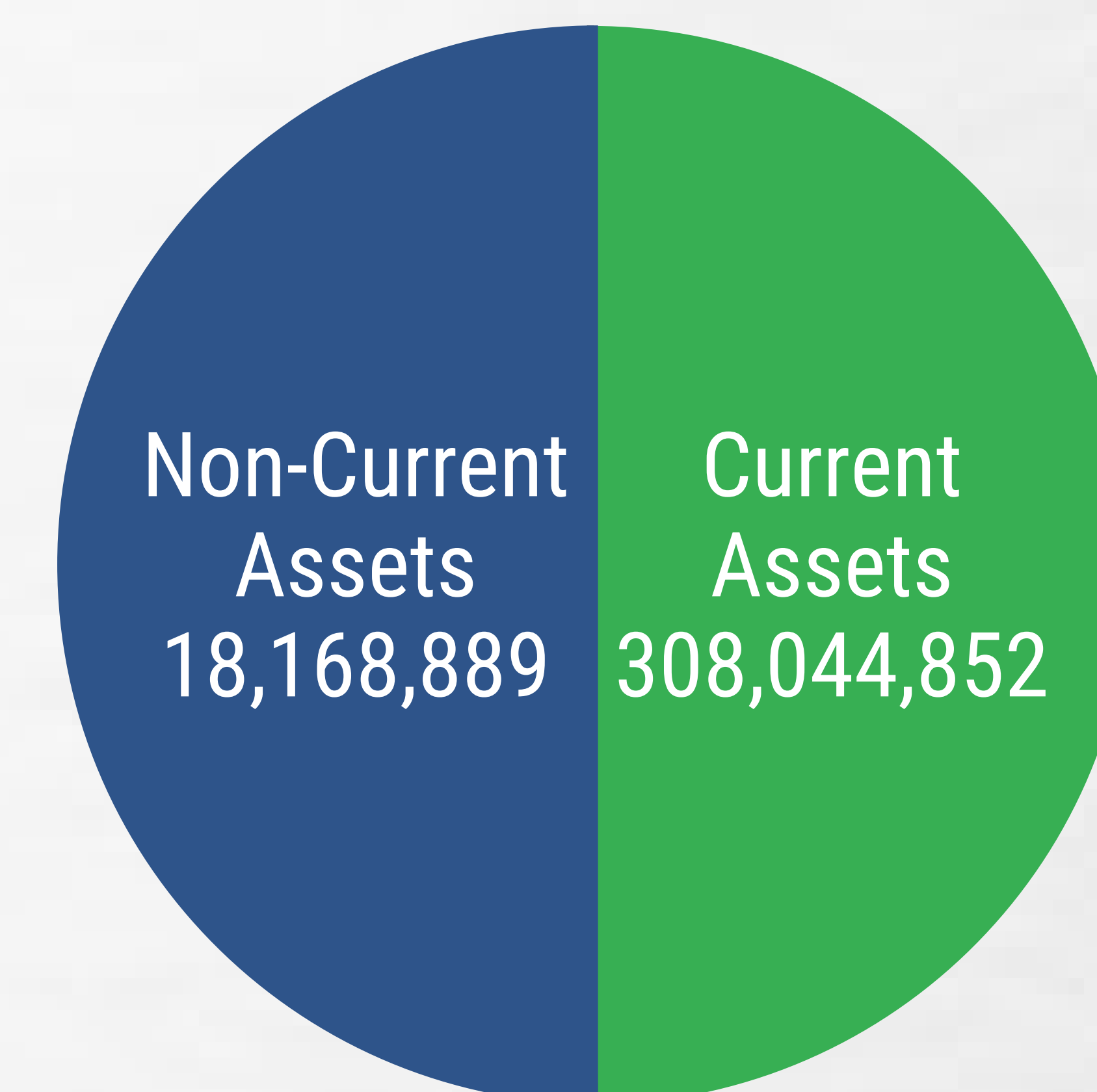
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2021 FINANCIAL SUMMARY (NON - IFS STATEMENT)



OUR FUNDERS



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Foundation

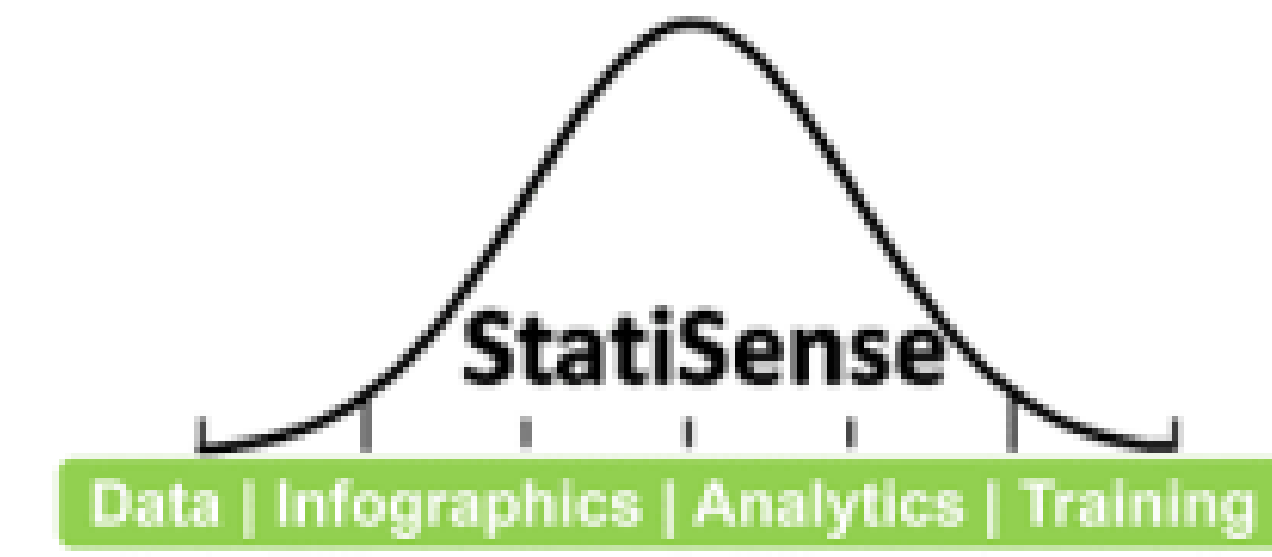


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OUR PARTNERS

IAGA, WRAPA, FIDA, NBA, COURTS, NPF, NSCDC, Isu-media, NULAI, NEW RULE LCC, StatiSense, Africa Young Female Appointees Initiative (AYFAI)



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OPIC: HOW EFFECTIVE ARE THE SGB ATED LAWS AND POLICIES IN NIGER

PODCAST

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