



**Mrs. Ibukunoluwa Awosika** is the founder and CEO of The Chair Centre Group, a diversified group covering manufacturing, retail, and banking security systems.

She is an African entrepreneur, author, global culture shaper and motivational speaker. She was the first female Chairperson at First Bank of Nigeria Limited.

She serves as Chairperson or Board member on various Corporate and non-profit boards around the globe, cutting across **Education** (IESE Business School, Imperial Gate Schools, Afterschool Graduate Development Centre, Pan Atlantic University), **Energy** (D-Light Inc.), **IT** (Digital Jewels Limited), **Manufacturing** (Cadbury Nigeria Plc), **Retail** (House of Tara International), **Financial Services** (Alitheia IDF Fund LP, Nigeria Advisory Board for Impact Investing), **Corporate Governance** (Convention on Business Integrity), **Advocacy** (IFVI International Foundation for Valuing Impacts), **Hospitality** (Peniel Apartments)

Recently, she was appointed to the Binance Global Advisory Board. In addition, She is a member of the **Nigerian Economic Summit Group** and served on the pioneer board of the **Nigerian Sovereign Wealth Fund**.

Ibukun's interest in social issues (especially on challenges confronting women) spurred her to co-found the Women in Business, Management and Public Service (WIMBIZ) where she also served as the Chairperson. She is the President of the International Women's Entrepreneurial Challenge Foundation (IWEC). Ibukun is an award-winning entrepreneur and the 2020 recipient of the Forbes Woman Africa Chairperson Award. She was also the first Nigerian recipient of the prestigious International Women Entrepreneurial Challenge (IWEC) Award as a nominee of the US Department of State in 2008.

She is a graduate of Chemistry from the prestigious University of Ife, now Obafemi Awolowo University, and bagged an MBA in the Chief Executive Programme from Lagos Business School. She also holds a Global CEO Executive MBA from IESE Business School, Barcelona, Spain. She also attended the Global CEO programme at Wharton, IESE, and the Chinese European International Business School. She is also a recipient of **4 Honorary Doctorate Degrees**.