



Honorable Abla Mahdi Abdemoniem Ahmed, Candidate for Regional Coordinator Africa

Name and first name	MAHDI ABDEMONIEM AHMED, Abla
Member of	Club Khartoum, BPW Sudan
Nominated by	BPW Sudan
Consent of own Affiliate	
For position of	Regional Coordinator Africa
BPW Offices	<i>Club:</i> BPW Khartoum President from 2004-2006 <i>Federation:</i> BPW Sudan President from 2006 to 2017
Positions in other Voluntary Organisations	1983 – 2017 Voluntary Work and Establishment of Civil Society Organizations for Women Empowerment Founder of Hawa Organization National (Women Organization) which has a special status with United Nations ECOSOC Founder of Small Scale Enterprise Society in Sudan <i>Membership in Civil Society Organizations</i> Member of Administrative Council of Arab Network – Egypt Member of African Union (ECOSOC) Member of International Planning Committee – Rome President of Hawa Organization General Secretary of Small Scale Enterprise Society President of Arab Network for entrepreneurship regional network General Secretary of African Alliance for Women Empowerment
CV	EDUCATION 1979 : BSc Botany Chemistry, University of Khartoum 2002 : Diploma in Political Science 1983 - 2011 :Several training programs on women’s empowerment, economic and social Empowerment ,Gender Equality and human rights inside and outside Sudan WORK 1980 – 1986: Deputy Director, Ministry of Commerce on Quality Control 1987 – 1990: Program officer with UNICEF Sudan 1990 – 1995: Director of Bank project with FAO in Kordofan – Sudan 1995 – 1998: Consultant on short term basis with UNICEF UNDP – Sudan

1998: Coordinator on Business Women project with UNDP – Sudan (Voluntary work)

BPW Positions : Founder and President of BPW Kordofan
Founder and President of BPW Khartoum
Founder and president BPW Sudan

MEMBERSHIP in Civil Society Organizations

- Member of Administrative Council of Arab Network – Egypt
- Member of African Union (ECOSOC)
- Member of International Planning Committee – Rome
- President of Hawa Organization
- General Secretary of Small Scale Enterprises Society
- President of Arab Network for entrepreneurship regional network
- General Secretary of African Alliance for Women Empowerment

CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Attended about 100 Conferences, Meetings, Training Programs on the National, Regional and International level 1985 – 2016, especially International Women’s Conferences, Habitat, World Food Summit.

Parliament MP
2015-2020 Member of the Parliament

2011 – 2015 -Member of National Legislature Assembly – Council of States – Sudan

2012 -2014 President of Economic and Social Committee at Council of States

My previous experience related to the needs of the position

- Travelling all over Africa attending African Conferences and Meetings
- Dealing with UN Agencies as UWomen,FAO,UNICEF,UNDP
- Implementing Programs for women empowerment and support of women and youth owners of SMEs(Small and Medium Enterprises)
- Convening of Training programs for women entrepreneurs,business women and startups for businesses.
- Managing programs for women in Agriculture in the rural areas
- Building Capacity of young women and training on entrepreneurship
- Attending the Human Rights meetings at the UN in Geneva
- Participating in Conferences and meetings on Women

	<p>Empowerment across Africa and the World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Attending UN meetings ,Habitat,World Food Summit . - Mobilizing resources for projects for BPW Sudan. - Organization of conferences in Sudan. <p>▪ Lobbying and Advocay for better legislation for Women Empowerment</p>
<p>Statement</p>	<p>As Candidate for Regional Coordinator for Africa 2017-2020</p> <p>I have the pleasure to be nominated as Africa Regional Coordinator. The African Continent is 55 countries with about a billion people half of which are women. There are huge potentials in building the human resources in Africa including women and youth , And managing the natural resources of Africa through empowering our women in Africa for value addition . My major objective is to enable African women to build their capacities and facilitate their access to resources through regional and global financial institutions’.</p> <p>To exchange experiences between business and professionals women in Africa and international.</p> <p>To promote the goals of the International Federation of Business and Professional Women across Africa.</p> <p>To Strengthen the women at the grassroots level by capacity building and training.</p> <p>To set a plan of action to strengthen our BPW Clubs and Federations in Africa .</p> <p>To work with civil society organizations as partners with BPW Affiliates in Africa to raise the percentage of women in decision making in Africa.</p> <p>My Vision for Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthening the existing Affiliates of Africa - Mobilizing resources for African Affiliates for projects - Integration among members of affiliates of Africa - Organizing Training Programs for affiliates in Africa - Expanding our affiliates in more African Countries - Lobby and advocate for the core initiatives of BPW International prioritizing our challenges in Africa - Share best practices and experiences among affiliates in Africa and across the world - Promote partnerships with regional and continental organizations like African Union , UNECA (United Nations Economic Commission of Africa ,UN Women in Africa ,UN Agencies in Africa ,Regional Economic Communities in Africa . - Development of a data base for Business and Professional women to have a pool of experts in Africa that can be resource persons . - Strengthening the communication among affiliates and members in Africa <p>We have to unite all our efforts to promote women empowerment and support the women in Africa at all levels and in different fields. It is a great responsibility and I am looking forward for your support</p>

	to serve our great BPW International organization.
Supporting Statement	<p data-bbox="464 232 1235 262">Candidacy of Abla Mahdy Ahmed as Regional Coordinator Africa</p> <p data-bbox="464 304 1334 546">We as Sudan Federation of Business and Professional Women are nomination Honorable Mrs. Abla Mahdy Ahmed as Regional Coordinator for Africa. Mrs. Abla has played an active role to empower women in Sudan with special consideration to the rural women and the grass root. She has been a great leader and mentor. She saves no efforts to support all the members. She has worked in mainstreaming of Gender in the public life and in the private sector.</p> <p data-bbox="464 591 1326 651">She is initiator of several Women NGOs in Sudan and in the region since 1983 until now.</p> <p data-bbox="464 696 1318 797">Due to her active role she has been elected as a member of Parliament since 2005 until now. She was elected as Chair of the Economic Committee of the Parliament.</p> <p data-bbox="464 842 1305 943">We are endorsing her nomination and we are sure that she will be a great Regional Coordinator as she has travelled all over Africa and her efforts are based on women empowerment in Africa.</p> <p data-bbox="464 987 815 1081">Thanks a lot. Afaf Hassan El Haj Vice President of BPW Sudan</p>