

# **AWIEF Awards 2022 finalists announced**

The Africa Women Innovation and Entrepreneurship Forum (AWIEF) has announced the finalists for its 2022 AWIEF Awards.



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An independent panel of judges that included two past AWIEF Lifetime Achievement Award winners, selected the 24 finalists across eight categories.

These outstanding women entrepreneurs and business leaders represent companies from a diverse range of sectors and operating in 12 different African countries: Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Namibia, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe.

## Young Entrepreneur Award

- Gisèla Van Houcke founder and CEO, Zuri Luxury Hair and Beauty, DR Congo
- Nadine Farrag CEO and founder, Farahy, Egypt
- Stacey Menga Onyango director, Minkoti Agencies Limited, Kenya

#### **Tech Entrepreneur Award**

- Faith Mokgalaka founder and CEO, Puno Greenery, South Africa
- Sahar Salama founder and CEO, TPAY Mobile, Egypt
- Thato Mabudusha Schermer co-founder and CEO, Zoie Health Technologies, South Africa

## Agri Entrepreneur Award

- Esther Kimani founder, Farmer Lifeline Technologies, Kenya
- Grace Kariuki CEO, Origen Group, Kenya

- Korka Diaw - president, Réseau des Agricultrices du Nord, Senegal

#### **Energy Entrepreneur Award**

- Diana Mbogo managing director, Millennium Engineers Enterprises Limited, Tanzania
- Judith Marera founder and CEO, Lanforce Energy, Zimbabwe
- Mona Al Adawy founder and CEO, GeoEnergy Petroleum Services, Egypt

#### **Creative Industry Award**

- Abai Schulze founder and Creative Director, ZAAF Collection, Ethiopia
- Barbara Kamba-Nyathi CEO, Bold Dialogue, Zimbabwe
- Vénicia Guinot chairwoman, Tropics Group of Companies, South Africa

### Social Entrepreneur Award

- Barbara Afia Class-Peter founder, Honour-Barbara Centre for Speech, Ghana
- Johanna Cloete managing director, GEN Namibia, Namibia
- Lumbie Mlambo founder and CEO, JB Dondolo, Zimbabwe

#### **Empowerment Award**

- Martha Alade founder, Women in Technology in Nigeria (WITIN), Nigeria
- Teresa Njoroge founder and CEO, Clean Start Solution, Kenya
- Velveeta Viban founder and Executive Director, I'm Human Org, Cameroon

#### Lifetime Achievement Award

- Dalia Ibrahim CEO, Nahdet Misr Publishing House, Egypt
- Manal Amin CEO, Arabize, Egypt
- Nomhle Maggie Mliswa CEO, Summerhill Farms, Zimbabwe

The winners will be announced and celebrated at a special awards ceremony and gala dinner, sponsored by Amazon Web Services (AWS) at the AWIEF2022 conference taking place on 26 and 27 September 2022, on-site in Cairo, Egypt and virtually.