

Kaba Diakagbè - BIOGRAPHY.

Born on July 8, 1954, in Kankan, Mrs. Kaba has a degree in social sciences with a master's degree in socio-anthropology from the Gamal Abdel Nasser University in Conakry.

Mrs. Kaba has acquired more than 30 years of experience in community support and social mobilization, targeting the rural world, especially women.

Mrs. Diakagbè KABA is a woman leader who is very committed on several fronts: Public Administration; Deputy Secretary General of the Government; National Assembly; Single Member of Parliament for Kankan, the largest electoral district in Guinea; Third Vice President of the National Assembly; Director of the NGO AGACFEM (Guinean association for the alleviation of women's burdens) in the sectors of agricultural production that respect the environment. She is an activist in social movements in Guinea, including among others: the Network of Social Solidarity Economy, the National Coalition of Guinea for the Rights and Citizenship of Women (CONAG-DCF).

In March 2016, Ms. Kaba founded the **Guinéenne des Terroirs** (Guinean of the soils), a cooperative enterprise of rural women, with the aim of creating the value chain and adding value to their work, for their empowerment, through the agri-food processing of local products, including fonio, shea butter and honey.

She has served as National Coordinator of the UNDP Grassroots Initiatives Support Program in Guinea and in several development projects and programs as a consultant.

Ms. KABA is the recipient of several awards and honours.

Among others, she has received:

- First International Award for good agroecological practices of rural women in the axis of food sovereignty, awarded at the United Nations Conference on Food in Rio+20 in Brazil in June 2012, through the project **Chantier École** (Construction site School) for the learning of rural women to good agroecological practices. This project was aimed at achieving food sovereignty and increasing the economic power of rural women;
- First prize for the best association in the framework of the accompaniment of women, especially those of the rural world to reach empowerment in 2014;
- First International Prize for the best African initiative to promote rural women's activities, awarded in 2014 in Toronto by the Canadian Council for Africa CCFG;
- Best Woman Entrepreneur Award at the 17th Trade Fair of OIC Member States, held in Dakar from 13 to 19 June 2022.