

THE BRAIN BEHIND THE AFRICAN JEWELRY EXPO

MRS MODUPE ONABANJO

Mrs. Modupe Onabanjo is a woman of many parts who can be described in many ways. An accomplished Journalist, a Publisher, a Trainer, an Educational Consultant, a Road Safety Campaigner, Brand Ambassador and more recently a Jewelry merchant. Modupe Onabanjo is a trained Journalist with about a decade experience with CONCORD PRESS OF NIGERIA as a reporter researcher covering such beat as banking and finance including other financial institutions like the Nigerian Stock Exchange, Securities & Exchange Commission and the Central Bank of Nigeria. Modupe Onabanjo is the publisher of one of the few educational magazines in the country, called EDUCATION UPDATE INTERNATIONAL MAGAZINE since the year 2000.

She has a passion for sharing knowledge, which has seen her at various time facilitating learning sessions for such institutions as

- Nigerian Institute of Management
- First Bank Academy
- Great Orange Values Consult,
- The LCCI Mentoring Programme of the Business Education Services Unit.

Madam was an Educational Consultant with UNICEF from 2010 to 2012. She also consulted for Electronic Text Company (ETC). She was among those that drove the penetration and acceptance of electronic based testing in Nigeria in those early days of the emergence of that technology in Nigeria. She was a Brand Ambassador for LASACO Insurance Plc educational product.

MRS ONABANJO'S OTHER INITIATIVES INCLUDE:



- Hosting of award of excellence in West Africa Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination (WASSSC), in collaboration with West Africa Examination Council, which features top 100 best students in WASSCE examination in the year 2009.
- Annual essay competition for private schools in Lagos state since 2018.

- The presentation of awards & certificates to the best eighteen candidates from the six educational district of Lagos state public secondary schools in the West African Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination (WASSSC) since 2014.
- Involvement in capacity building for school bus drivers on safe commuting of students to and fro school by the Commandant of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Lagos Command, an ongoing project fully supported by the State Ministry of Education.

Mrs. Modupe Onabanjo became a member of the Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry about 24 years ago in 1996. She has been very active in the Chamber since then. Her very active participation and value addition as a person of ideas saw her elevated to the Chairperson of the Small & Medium Enterprises Group (SMEG) and also a member of Council from 2009 to 2012. She has been a member of Council till date serving in various other capacities. She was also co-opted into the board of Business Education Services and Training (BEST) at various times till this moment. In 2017, she was appointed as the pioneer Chairperson of a new group known as Education Printing and Publishing Group (EPPG) of the Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry, due to the growth experienced under her watch the Printing & Publishing Group was later carved out as a stand-alone sectorial Group in 2019.

Mrs Onabanjo as the pioneer Chairperson of the Education Group of LCCI recorded very significant achievements under her watch some of these are:

- Excellence in education sector award, in 2018
- A well-attended symposium on Decadence in Nigeria's Education Sector, the Way Forward amongst many other achievements.

Mrs Onabanjo as earlier described is a woman of many parts with business interest cutting across different sectors of the Nigerian economy though very quiet and unassuming, she is a silent achiever. She is also a Jewelry merchant. Modupe has a diploma in Journalism in 1987 from the Nigerian Institute of Journalism Ogba, A degree in Philosophy from Lagos State university Ojoo in 1996. Post Graduate Diploma from Nigerian Teachers Institute 2015. She is a recipient of Role Model Award from the Association of Professional Women Bankers of Nigeria



Africa Jewelry Expo (AJE), the very first of its kind in Nigeria is a specially designed 3 in 1 annual event going forward. Designed to include the following:

- Training
- Exhibition

Awards The Africa Jewelry Expo is carefully designed to provide a training session, an exhibition platform and awards for jewelry merchants and others. The event is tailored to showcase what the

African jewelry market most especially the Nigerian Jewelry market has to offer in terms of quality, varieties and sophistication.

EXHIBITION

The exhibition for this year is a one-day event. The event is targeted at all classes of male and female jewelry merchants and dealers in all categories of female apparels such as female clothing's, shoes, human hair, fragrance and cosmetics etc.

The exhibition is open to manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers of male and female jewelries and all classes of female apparels.

