

## World Vision UK Strong Women Strong World Leadership Group



### **Abi Mustapha-Maduakor CA**

Abi is the CEO of the African Private Equity and Venture Capital Association (AVCA). Abi's successful career includes finance roles at RBS and Lloyds Bank in London, followed by a spell setting up an energy business in Nigeria as founding CFO. She also served as Special Adviser to Nigeria's Minister of Trade and Investment. Abi is a member of the LCCI's Black Business Association (BBA) Committee and is part of a forum to help your business grow. She co-founded Black Women in Leadership Network (BWIL), a new UK-based not-for-profit aiming to increase the representation of black women in decision-making positions. Abi is interviewed frequently on the worldwide TV network CNBC Africa, as a leading CEO in her area of expertise and is also an advisor to World Vision UK's Board.



### **Alexandra Klein**

Alex is founder and CEO of WYRL Beauty Ltd, a unique red lipstick company designed to help women build confidence in their appearance and courage. With a vision to increase female leadership around the globe and a mission to make red lips a tool for building confidence. The concept of WYRL (Wear Your Red Lips) Beauty was inspired by 40 life lessons Alex developed as a gift to herself to guide the next phase of her life as she celebrated her 40th birthday. The 40th one was "Girl, Wear The Red Lipstick!" and WYRL Beauty Ltd was created. WYRL Beauty is vegan and invests in educating the next generation of girls through a partnership with World Vision.



### **Dr Diahanne Rhiney BCAe**

Dr. Diahanne Rhiney BCAe is an award-winning Social Change Advocate, International, Business leader, Campaigner, qualified Psychologist and Author. She established the first social change PR and Marketing agency in the UK, Naked Truth, over 30 years ago working closely with multi-national businesses, SMEs, Government, teachers, and leaders supporting, diversity and social change. As a successful business leader with international offices, her acute knowledge and lived experience in a wide range of topics and scenarios, has seen her coaching and mentoring young people, to senior management and executive clients in a variety of commercial and public sector organisations globally, supporting personal and business growth.



### **Fola Komolafe**

Fola joined the Board of World Vision UK in March 2019 and was appointed Vice Chair in March 2022. She is also Chair of the Board Development Committee. Fola directs two companies following her retirement from Mazars, where she was a UK partner and Global Lead for International Development. She provided leadership with international donor agencies who required consultancy, audit and assurance support. Prior to this Fola was Managing Director of Indisys Business Solutions, directing award-winning development projects in 14 countries located in Africa and South Asia for the Open University. She was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant for Buckinghamshire in 2015 and in June 2016 she was awarded an MBE for services to business and community.



### **Jennica Arazi**

Jennica is a Director at Bursha Holdings Ltd, a family-owned property development company which also owns a global luxury hotel portfolio.



### **Madalitso Zulu**

Maddie is a highly motivated young woman eager to gain insight and further learning in, sustainable business, poverty alleviation and corporate social responsibility. Maddie obtained her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Warwick in Global Sustainable Development in 2020. She is currently pursuing a Master of Science degree from the University of Exeter in Management. Maddie's passion for working with World Vision to support and uplift the lives of girls and their communities' dates back to 2013 when her family joined the World Vision family of Sponsors.



### **Miranda McVey**

Beauty Labs led and founded by Miranda is the UK's fastest growing cosmetics manufacturer to Global Online retailers. Providing a full service from design and development to manufacturing of colour cosmetics, beauty accessories, bath and body care as well as personal and home fragrance. Many of the products Beauty Labs produce can be found in most of Britain's homes. Prior to founding Beauty Labs Miranda co-founded and was the Managing Director of United Retail and Sourcing which did over \$300 million USD in retail sales before Miranda exited.



### **Rachael Speirs**

Rachael has 25 + years as a qualified solicitor, with experience in financial services law, good deal of experience in the practical application of complex regulation and laws to varying commercial activities. Also School Governor to a Lower Governing Board of a local Primary School in Hertfordshire for nearly 3 years, passionate about Education and Justice reform.



### **Serena Brown**

Serena is Head of Global Corporate Citizenship at KPMG which includes leading the firm's commitment to communities, the environment and human rights. A Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Serena has led audit and advisory engagements for listed financial services companies in the UK, Australia, Hong Kong and Laos and held leadership roles in the not-for-profit sector as Chief Executive of Trade Aid in Tanzania and Country Director for Tearfund in South Sudan and Kenya. Serena is a Trustee for World Vision UK and a member of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee.



### **Valerie Dias**

Valerie was a trustee on the board of World Vision UK from 2007-2015. She has worked primarily in financial services and has a wealth of experience in finance, risk, and governance. She was a senior executive at Visa Europe for over 23 years, first as their chief financial officer and then as their chief risk officer. Presently, she is an independent non-executive director on the boards of Monzo Bank, Elavon Financial Services and Hastings Insurance and is Chair of their respective Risk Committees. Previously, in addition to being a board director of some commercial organisations, she has been a trustee on boards in the education sector.



### **Victoria Bright**

Victoria is a driven leader with over 30 years of combined international, senior management, executive and board level experience in both the private and public sector. Victoria has successfully run and established a successful consulting practice for over 14 years and is co-founder and managing partner of a leading law firm in Ghana. She is a strategic business consultant and a dual-qualified lawyer in England and Wales and Ghana. Victoria is also a Senior Advisor at the premier Washington D.C. based global commercial diplomacy and advisory firm, Albright Stonebridge Group. She is the current President of the Ghana Chapter of the International Women's Forum (IWF). Victoria has held public office in Ghana as a former Legal Advisor to the President and a former Minister of State at the Office of the President, during President J A Kufuor's Administration.



### **Dr Womba Kamuhuza**

Womba is the Group Managing Director of Meanwood Holdings Limited in Zambia. The group companies span cross: insurance, finance, agriculture, property and construction. She has over 20 years of experience in the private sector - a serial entrepreneur. Womba has a passion for SME entrepreneurship and female empowerment, especially female entrepreneurs' access to opportunities and resources such as finance. Her PhD-Doctor of Philosophy Thesis in Entrepreneurship investigates the role of female entrepreneurs in Zambia's development process, and the impact of limited access to bank finance on their businesses and the overall development agenda. Womba also has a passion for causes that promote women and girl child education and poverty alleviation.