

Biographies of speakers for WILPF DRC side event

Bibiane Aningina Tshetu

Ms Bibiane Aningina Tshetu is Congolese is a consultant and has studied as well as work on Social Community Development and Social Cultural Facilitation in several countries in Africa for 2 decade with government, NGO and UN agencies.

Among her accomplishments are her leadership role in the NGO coalition which successfully advocated in October, 2000, for the adoption of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security); securing recognition of Congolese women representatives during the 2002 Inter-Congolese Dialogue which led to the first, countrywide elections in 2006. She is member WILPF and a US focal point for various Congolese NGOs, she is the interface between the Congolese women leaders of the grassroots organisations.

Ms Jeanine Gabrielle Ngungu

Ms Jeanine Gabrielle Ngungu is the General Secretary of the Congolese women's platform, CAUSE COMMUNE RDC and member of CAUCUS des Femmes Congolaise. She is an active member of the WILPF DRC group and consultant National Focal Point for the DRC "Nous Pouvons" or "We can Campaign" to end Violence Against Women... Jeanine's expertise in women's participation and citizenship is invaluable. She has been in DRC women's movement from west to the east of the DRC for nearly two decades. She has been at the forefront of women's mobilisation for change in the DRC and in grassroots initiative for social and economic justice.

Honorable Senator Eve Bazaiba Masudi

Senator Eve Bazaiba is one of only five elected women in the DRC Senate, and the only woman to chair a committee (on Social and Cultural issues). She is also the President of the Congolese Women's League for the Elections and an honorary member of WILPF DRC group. Prior to becoming a Senator, Eve Bazaiba Masudi had been a very active member of Congolese civil society groups focusing on empowering women and ending human rights abuse against them in her country. She played a key role in the DRC peace negotiation and was selected among the 1000 peace women for the Nobel price. Eve Bazaiba has been instrumental in the campaign in introduction of a strong the law on sexual violence in the DRC constitution in 2006. She continues also to advocate for the implementation of the parity law. She has a successful track record of capacity building of African women parliamentarians and of Congolese women in understanding various legal frameworks on women's rights. She has Soundtrack record of collaborative work with the African Union and other regional bodies the implementation of legal framework on human rights particularly that of indigenus people. She is a strong advocate of disarmament and demilitarization as well as conflict prevention and peace building in the Great Lakes Regions of Africa