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
LETTER OF INTRODUCTION TO GOLD AND GEMSTONES CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION (GGCE) 2023

Women in Mining in Nigeria (WIMIN) wishes to introduce to you the second edition of the Gold and Gemstones Conference and Exhibition organized by WIMIN in collaboration with the African Union through its agency called Africa Mining Development Center.

Our successful maiden event in 2022 has led to the event's recognition by the African Union (AU). The African Gem, Jewellery Exhibition and Conference body (AGJEC), has featured GGCE 2023 on the Continental Calendar as a 'go-to event.' Building on the resounding success of the event last year, we are excited to announce the upcoming edition scheduled to take place from 26th September 2023 to 28th September 2023. The theme for GGCE 2023 is ***"Expanding Gold and Gemstones Frontiers."*** There is a firm plan in place to position Nigeria as a major international player and the go-to country for the best quality gold, gemstones, and jewellery in Africa.

The Africa Gem, Jewellery Exhibition and Conference (AGJEC) – Nigeria/Lagos edition, aims to showcase the wealth of gemstone occurrence in Nigeria and West Africa region, and to provide a platform to foster value creation, maximization and intra-African trade opportunities from Africa's gemstones. AGJEC focuses on Member States' support for their women miners and traders, and women-led artisanal and small-and-medium-scale enterprises (ASMMEs) and associations with the aim to providing a platform to showcase their

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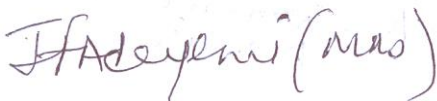
gemstones and jewellery in the exhibition pavilion which will create a marketplace for local, regional and international buyers to source directly from the countries of origin.

In line with the promotion of responsible sourcing of gemstones and jewellery from Africa and Nigeria in particular, this will be an opportunity for women miners and jewellery entrepreneurs to network with players in the supply chain and learn the dynamics of the trade. It is also expected that through this interaction, the women miners, traders and women-led enterprises in the gemstone and jewellery sector will better appreciate the benefits and opportunities in localized value addition of gemstones.

WIMIN is dedicated to promoting gender equality and women's participation in the mining sector and this event underscores our commitment to fostering an inclusive and sustainable industry. Our partnership with AGJEC also signifies our shared vision of driving economic growth

It is on this strength that we invite (you/your company/your organization) to this 3-day event, geared towards attracting awareness and advancing economic growth in the mining industry in our African continent

Thanks



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