

AMBASSADOR BIO

"AS AN AMBASSADOR OF THE NETWORK, I WANT TO BE HEARD! I HOPE TO AMPLIFY THE VOICES OF MY COMMUNITY TO CARRY ON THE FIGHT AGAINST FGM"



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WHY AM I COMMITTED IN FIGHTING FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION?

I am a survivor and I come from a country which practise FGM. I currently work in the UK with a community-based charity, La Fraternite, to raise awareness on FGM and other forms of VAWG among the Guinean diaspora. I am aware of the impact that the practice has on women, girls and practising communities. I think that it is only right to work towards ending this practice.

WHAT DO I LIKE MOST ABOUT BEING AN ACTIVIST?

Being able to actively contribute to a global fight against gender based violence. Especially, being part of a movement acting to end FGM and other forms of violence against women and girls.

WHAT DO I HOPE FOR, IN REGARD TO FGM POLICIES AND THE PRACTICE, IN THE FUTURE?

I hope that affected communities will finally understand that this practise has no place in their lives and that there is no reason worth jeopardising the lives of millions of women and girls. I am also hoping that, in the future, the gap between legislation and practice would be much thinner: developing policies is one thing, implementing them and making them work is another one. I hope that there would be evaluations and reviews of laws about FGM and that policy makers would hear the voices of affected communities.

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