

## AMBASSADOR BIO

# "I WISH TO BE ABLE TO DEFEND THE CAUSE OF THE VICTIMS AT ANY MOMENT OF MY LIFE WITHOUT GAPS OR OBSTACLES."



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MEMBER ORGANISATION:

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LANGUAGES THAT I SPEAK:

French, Arabic, Peulh, Wolof and a bit of Spanish

COUNTRY WHERE I LIVE:

France

### COUNTRY OF ORIGIN:

Mauritania

### WHY AM I COMMITTED IN FIGHTING FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION?

Because I was a midwife from 1981 to 1990, so I met the consequences of FGM since then. In addition, I am also a victim of FGM, so I judged necessary to make it my battle.

#### WHAT DO I LIKE MOST ABOUT BEING AN ACTIVIST?

I love to educate people, and raise awareness, so that everybody will realise FGM is a real struggle, and it has to be erased.

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

I trust the process and I hope that all the countries concerned by FGM will have policies and apply them correctly, because some countries have good policies in theory, but don't apply them correctly.