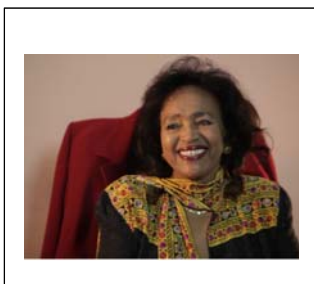




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**Hadia GONDJI, Candidate for Position of Regional Coordinator, Africa, BPW International**

<b>Last name and first name</b>	GONDJI, Hadia M			
<b>Member of</b>	BPW Addis Ababa			
<b>Nominated by</b>	Tsega Bekele, Board Member & Vice President, BPW Addis Ababa			
<b>Consent of own Affiliate</b>	Nominated by her own Affiliate			
<b>BPW Offices held</b>	<b>Affiliate Club:</b> President of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia From 2015 to 2020			
<b>Positions in other Voluntary Organizations</b>	<p>President of Ethiopian Women Exporters Association  Country Director of New Faces, New Voices for Women in Finance</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Ethiopian Women Entrepreneurs</li> <li>-Alpha Truckers Association</li> <li>-Trans Africa Transporters Pvt Ltd Co</li> <li>-UNIC Insurance</li> <li>-Life Line</li> <li>-Addis Ababa Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>-Transport Association</li> <li>-Oromia State Council Advisory Panel</li> <li>-BPW Addis Ababa – Business &amp; Professional Women’s Association</li> <li>-African Women Agribusiness Network East Africa (AWAN – EA)</li> <li>-Ethiopian Seed Growers Association</li> <li>-Public Consultation Forum of Ethiopia On Peace, Devt &amp; Democracy</li> <li>-East African Grain Council</li> <li>-Enat Bank Ethiopia</li> </ul> </td> <td style="width: 50%; border: none; vertical-align: top;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>President</li> <li>Member Board of Directors</li> <li>Member Board of Directors</li> <li>Founding Member</li> <li>Founding Member</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Vice President</li>   <li>President</li>   <li>Country Representative</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Ethiopian Chapter Rep</li> <li>President</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Founder &amp; Promoter</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </table>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Ethiopian Women Entrepreneurs</li> <li>-Alpha Truckers Association</li> <li>-Trans Africa Transporters Pvt Ltd Co</li> <li>-UNIC Insurance</li> <li>-Life Line</li> <li>-Addis Ababa Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>-Transport Association</li> <li>-Oromia State Council Advisory Panel</li> <li>-BPW Addis Ababa – Business &amp; Professional Women’s Association</li> <li>-African Women Agribusiness Network East Africa (AWAN – EA)</li> <li>-Ethiopian Seed Growers Association</li> <li>-Public Consultation Forum of Ethiopia On Peace, Devt &amp; Democracy</li> <li>-East African Grain Council</li> <li>-Enat Bank Ethiopia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>President</li> <li>Member Board of Directors</li> <li>Member Board of Directors</li> <li>Founding Member</li> <li>Founding Member</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Vice President</li>   <li>President</li>   <li>Country Representative</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Ethiopian Chapter Rep</li> <li>President</li> <li>Board Member</li> <li>Founder &amp; Promoter</li> </ul>
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<b>Related Experience / Qualifications (e.g. CV, resume)</b>	<b>Education:</b> 1954 – 1961 Alliance Francaise & Cole de Notre Dame Primary School 1961 – 1963 Lycee Franco-Ethiopian Commercial Diploma 1963 – 1964 Prince Mekonen High School Grade 12 1982 – 1984 University of Nairobi Business Administration			





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**Professional Experience:**

1964 – 1965	Chemin de Fer Franco Ethiopian – Secretary
1966 – 1972	Moroccan Embassy – Private Secretary
1972 – 1976	Economic Commission for Africa – Bilingual Secretary – Addis Ababa
1975 – 1976	Embassy of Zaire – Administrative Secretary
1977 – 1982	United Nations Environment Program Conference Officer – Nairobi
1983 – 1991	HH Abdi Transporters (K) Ltd – Managing Director – Nairobi
1991 – 1998	HH Abdi Transporters (Eth) Ltd – MD/Owner – Addis Ababa
1998 – 2001	Hadia Trading Enterprise – Owner & MD – Addis Ababa Hadia Supermarket – MD/Owner
2001 – 2005	Holetta Roses Plc – MD, Chairperson & Owner
2005 – to date	Hadia Seed Production & Agro Industry Plc - Owner & MD Hadia Flowers & Vegetable – Owner & MD

**Languages Spoken:**

Amharic, Oromifa, French, English and Arabic – Fluent  
Swahili and Somali – Fair

**Honors:**

- Best Entrepreneur award from Addis Ababa Chamber of Commerce
- Best Entrepreneur award from Africa Chamber of Commerce
- Appreciation Certificate from many Ministries in Ethiopia
- Appreciation Certificate from Ethio – American Trade & Investment Council
- Certificate of Completion of USAID/USDA/ICD Entrepreneurship Training for African Women in Agri-Business network (AWAN)
- Appreciation Certificate from International Federation of Business & Professional Women, Egyptian Business Women Association, African Alliance for Women’s Empowerment
- Certificate of Completion from Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship (AOTS) - Japan

Have been involved with:

- Participating in Women’s Conferences all over African and the world
- Networking with many African Networks for the promotion of Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment
- Promoting women in finance and financial inclusion for women in Africa through being part of the New Faces New Voices, a Women in Finance





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	<p>Network in Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Communicating with African Union and Gender Department</li> <li>- Attending United Nations Meetings for Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment</li> <li>- Organizing Training Programs and Capacity Building in Trade and Export</li> <li>- Empowering Women in Agriculture and Agribusiness in rural areas of Ethiopia</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Statement by Candidate</b>  <b>(Maximum 500 words)</b></p>	<p><b>My Plan for BPW Africa 2020 - 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To expand Affiliates across Africa and strengthen current Affiliates</li> <li>• To have a communication strategy among all BPW Affiliates in Africa</li> <li>• To promote projects among BPW Africa Affiliates</li> <li>• To increase connectivity among our BPW Africa Affiliates</li> <li>• To organize regional seminars across Africa for promoting business opportunities across Africa</li> <li>• To strengthen the relationship between BPW Africa and the African Union</li> <li>• To organize training programs for entrepreneurship</li> <li>• To develop mentorship programs across BPW Africa Affiliates</li> </ul>	
<p><b>A written Supporting statement</b>  <b>(Maximum 200 words) by nominating affiliate</b></p>	<p>Ms Hadia Gondji has shown great leadership during her tenure as President of BPW Addis Ababa. She is mentoring youth and is very passionate about women’s empowerment and gender equality.</p> <p>She is the one who started advocating for the Women’s Bank in Ethiopia until it became a reality.</p> <p>She has been a driving force for the agenda of empowering women and building their capacity.</p> <p>She is a team leader and she has all the skills and talents for gathering women together to achieve their objectives.</p> <p>She is always travelling to many parts of Africa and empowering women at all levels especially at grass roots level and in rural areas.</p> <p>She would be a great candidate, given her great skills and knowledge about the Continent.</p> <p>She also speaks many languages which allow her to communicate with all African BPW members.</p> <p>We wish her all the best and great succes</p> <p><i>Tsega Bekele, Vice President and Board member, bPW Addis Ababa</i></p>	

