

## Wiki Loves Women is a global initiative addressing the gender gap on the Wikimedia projects by encouraging contributions from and content about historically marginalised women.

In very different ways, the four Wiki Loves Women initiatives celebrates the achievements of inspirational and successful women and makes them visib on the Wikimedia projects, and thus accessible to a global readership. Inclusivity and diversity are only sustainable by ensuring gender balance among the leadership of Wikimedia Women • Gender Equity • Gender Gap • Women Voices • Wikiquote • WikiWomen • communities. A gender-equal leadership will, in turn, motivate individuals to make Female Leadership • Capacity Building • Visible WikiWomen • Media Representation high-quality contributions to the Wikimedia projects about women's achievements, www.wikiloveswomen.org history, and culture. Thus, Wiki Loves Women initiates drives that motivate women to be involved in the Wikimedia movement. It also trains and mentors Wikimedians Connect WITH US! in the leadership and organisational skills needed to lead their communities.



### **Developing Wikimedia Leaders**

Launched in 2016, Wiki Loves Women has consistently developed the skills needed by Africa's Wikimedia leaders (both male and female) to build their own communities around the subject of gender equity and women's knowledge. Initially supported by the Goethe Institut with in-country activities and now through the Focus Group online, the project has alwasy focused on building leaders to develop their communities through a focus on gender content and contributions.

The 2024 cohort of Wiki Loves Women leaders comprises of 28 members from 12 African countries (+ France!) in 2024. Learn more on Meta : Wiki Loves Women/Focus Group



## **Celebrating Women's Voices**

Women's voices are often ignored and very rarely quoted. Launched in 2020, **#SheSaid** is the annual Wiki Loves Wome drive on Wikiquote is a global initiative that encourages Wikimedia communities to add the inspiring words of notable women. Thus enabling a more inclusive and diverse representation of women's experiences and perspectives online.

The impact of #SheSaid campaign on Wikiquote has been truly remarkable across the last four editions. In the 2023 drive alone, #SheSaid has resulted in 5,407 new articles and 1,271+ improved Wikiquote articles on women across 18 language Wikiquotes by 16 Wikimedia communities.

Learn more on Meta : Wiki Loves Women/SheSaid



**ISA challenges** 





### Making Women Visible



# **Honouring Inspirational Women**

Tell Us About Her is an annual campaign on Wiki In Africa's ISA Tool that improves the ability for people to search for photographs representing women uploaded to Wikimedia Commons. This is done by adding captions and descriptions to uploaded images. For five years during International Women's Month, women in different sectors are visibly celebrated: • 2024: Women in Art

- 2023: Women on the Frontline Climate
- 2022: Women in Architecture
- 2021: Women At Work
- 2020: African Women Politicians and Activists

Learn more on Commons: Commons: ISA Tool/Challenges

Loves Women Inspiring open

Inspiring Open is a podcast that was launched in 2022 to celebrate Africa's influential women whose careers and personal ethics intersect with the Open movement. 16 dynamic women were interviewed and showcased. Since featuring the initial 16 guests, the focus has been on making visible inspirational women from within the Wikimedia movement. The Inspiring Open podcast is available anytime, anywhere to amplify the motivational stories of each guest, spoken in their voice. Inspiring Open podcast was possible due to the support of the Goethe-Institut's 2021 International Relief Fund.

Listen to them on *podcast.wikiloveswomen.org* 

Join Wiki Loves Women to amplify women's voices and celebrate their stories worldwide!

Wiki Loves Women is a Wiki in Africa project.









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