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Dr Ebere N. Okereke is an independent global health strategist, board chair and strategic adviser. A physician by training, she has more than 30 years of experience spanning African public health institutions, government partnership, philanthropy, health security, health systems and global health governance.

Her career includes executive leadership at the Mohamed bin Zayed Foundation for Humanity and as the first substantive Chief Executive Officer of the Africa Public Health Foundation, established to mobilise resources and partnerships in support of Africa CDC. As Honorary Senior Strategic Adviser to the founding Director of Africa CDC, she contributed to its 2022 to 2027 strategy, the Partnership for African Vaccine Manufacturing and the Kofi Annan Global Health Leadership Programme. Earlier, she was a Senior Health Adviser at the Tony Blair Institute for Global Change and a Medical Consultant and Programme Director at Public Health England and the UK Health Security Agency, where she led a £24 million programme supporting implementation of the International Health Regulations across Africa and Asia.

Ebere chairs PSI Europe and holds board, advisory and technical roles with WHO, Novartis Global Health, DNDi, PharmAccess Nigeria, the Healthcare Federation of Nigeria and the Albert Luthuli Leadership Institute. She is an Associate Fellow of Chatham House, a published author and a frequent keynote speaker and moderator.

Her speaking focuses on African agency and authority in global health, health financing, institutional governance, equitable partnerships, pandemic preparedness and women's leadership. Her work combines technical depth, institutional judgement and a direct, practical approach to reform.

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