





# Celebrating Women, Building Bridges, Inspiring Change

# MARCH 7–8

Palais Wenkheim - Webster University Vienna, Praterstr. 23, 1020 District\_Living Donau-City-Strasse 3, 1220

An initiative by African Cultural Foundation, SETI and Diaspora Creatives to amplify the voices of women and emphasize the importance of sorority and well-being as vital components of women's mental, emotional, and personal development.



# "EmpowerHer: African Diaspora Meet-Up 2025": Celebrating Women, Building Bridges, Inspiring Change

Celebrating impactful Women in Vienna and fostering global empowerment and sistership within the African, diaspora communities

7th & 8th March, 2025

#### Who is it for:

- Women from African or other diaspora communities
- Every women in Vienna who wish to expand their network across different communities and build bridges
- Professionals, entrepreneurs, and creatives in Austria
- Advocates for gender equity and empowerment
- Allies supporting women's empowerment.

The event concept can be accessed here.

#### Reserve your spot via the following link:

 $\underline{https://www.eventbrite.at/e/empowerher-2025-celebrating-women-building-bridges-inspiring-change-tickets-1230767261009?aff=oddtdtcreator}$ 

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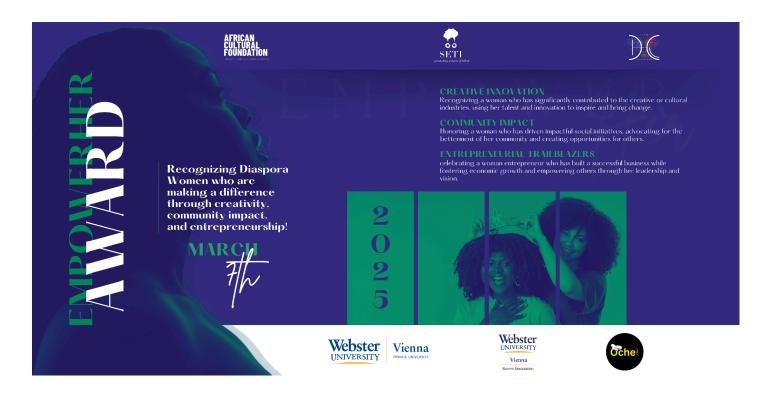
## Day 1 - March 7th

TIME		MARCH 7TH
		Webster University Vienna Palais Wenkheim - Praterstr. 23 1020
PM	16:00	A R R I V A L Participants identity/registration verification
	16:30	Kick-off of the Women Powerhouse Hours Moderation by SETI  Welcome speech
		Welcome speech by African Cultural Foundation  Welcome speech by representative of the Webster University Alumni Association
		Keynote Delivered by H.E. Mrs. Maimounata Ouattara, Ambassador of Burkina Faso in Austria
	17:00	1st Woman Powerhouse
		Ceri SAMVILIAN, Certified Life Coach   Speaker   AuthorAuthor and personal development - Ceri SAMVILIAN
	17:15	2nd Woman Powerhouse
		Harriet Hala Kahuzu, Founder & Editor-in-Chief, FAB L'Style Magazine - FABLSTYLE
	17:30	3rd Woman Powerhouse
		Eva Burger, Lead of Women Empowerment at Arbeiterkammer (Austrian Chamber of Labour)
	17:45	EmpowerHer Award
		in recognition of diaspora women with exceptional achievements in creative innovation, community impact, and entrepreneurial trailblazers
	18:15	NETWORKING COCKTAIL sponsored by OCHEI Restaurant
	19:00	END OF EVENT

## Day 2 - March 8th

TIME		MARCH 8TH  District_Living  Donau-City-Strasse 3, 1220
AM	11:30	A R R I V A L Participants arrival and breakouts
PM	12:00 - 17:00	RESFRESHMENT AREA
	12:00 - 17:00	Exhibition area - larger.world - Afrieurotext Austria - Zara Civil - FreshVibes - and more
	12:30 - 14:00	Wellbeing workshop   "Nurturing Well-Being and Inner Beauty"  Join a transformative Well-Being Workshop: "Nurturing Well-Being and Inner Beauty", hosted by  @sawashea.greengold. This session is all about self-care, holistic wellness, and embracing your inner beauty.  Maximum participants: 10  Admission: 15€
	14:15 - 15:30	Panel Discussion "Diaspora Women as Ambassadors of Creativity: Harnessing Skills, Networks, and Innovation to Promote Talent and Narratives Beyond Borders"  Moderation: Youssouf Simbo Diakite, Co-founder of African Diaspora Youth Forum in Europe  Panelists: Joana Adesuwa Reiterer, Entrepreneur and Filmmaker - (video recording) Bunmi Ajakaiye, Nigerian Film maker; Writer, Producer, Editor (online) Maja Markovic, Founder of Bold Creatives Alan Ho, CEO of Ho&Co Design company Moumi Awudu, African Students' Law Organization Rilwan Mogaji, Founder of Diaspora Business Hub
	16:00 - 17:45	Wellbeing workshop   "Sorority circle: Empowerment and wellbeing for growth"  Join an intimate and transformative session: "Sorority Circle: Empowerment and Well-Being for Growth"  led by the incredible Marie Spaemann. This workshop is designed to foster connection, self-discovery, and resilience through shared experiences, mindfulness, and music. Let's create a space where women uplift each other and grow together!  Maximum participants: 10 Admission: 15€
	16:00 - 17:45	Wellbeing workshop   Yoga - Find your inner balance  Join a refreshing and empowering yoga session designed to help you reconnect with your mind, body, and soul. As part of the well-being activities, this class will be a moment of relaxation, self-care, and empowerment to fuel your journey.  Maximum participants: 10  Admission: 15€
	17:30 - 19:30	NETWORKING & AFTER PARTY
	20:00	END OF EVENT

### **EMPOWERHER AWARD 2025**



On March 7th, awards will be given to celebrate exceptional women who are making a significant impact through creativity, leadership, and community-driven initiatives. #EmpowerHer2025

This year, the categories are:

- CREATIVE INNOVATION: Recognizing a woman who has significantly contributed to the creative or cultural industries, using her talent and innovation to inspire and bring change.
- COMMUNITY IMPACT: Honoring a woman who has driven impactful social initiatives, advocating for the betterment of her community and creating opportunities for others
- **ENTREPRENEURIAL TRAILBLAZERS**: Celebrating a woman entrepreneur who has built a successful business while fostering economic growth and empowering others through her leadership and vision.

The esteemed public was invited to vote or nominate an exceptional woman who has made an impact on them in the past years. Women with the most votes/nomination in each category will be presented an award.

**Z** Voting ended on 28.02.2025