

# PROFILE



## **MRS. BAKARE-ASIERU, MOJISOLA ADEBISI, FCIB** **POSITION: 2nd Vice-President**

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Mrs. Mojisola Bakare-Asieru is a vital and valuable team player with passion and energy towards achieving organizational goals and objectives. She is a result-driven Financial Executive with over 30 years of experience in banking. Skilled in developing sustainable business strategies and achieving consistent profitability. She is a leader and formidable change enabler of excellence, who is very enthusiastic about two things: mentoring and banking.

Her passions are driven by the quest for healthy workplace relationships, capacity building, knowledge sharing, and women empowerment, with the aim of creating a better working environment for people in the Nigerian Banking Sector. These features have endeared her to many, with evident testimonials from customers, colleagues, and the network of young bankers she mentors and supports. This has seen her rise significantly in her career, both within and outside the walls of her workplace.

She started her career with Sterling Bank (then Equitorial Trust Bank) in 1992. She currently serves as the Divisional Head, Corporate Client Coverage and Sales Division, which includes Energy Group, Manufacturing/FMGC, Telecommunications, Financial Institutions and Coverage, Emerging Corporates, Wealth Management and Private Banking, and Multinationals, a division that has evolved maximally under her leadership.

During her career, she has held various positions such as Group Head, International Operations, Group Head, Transaction and Services Group, Group Head, Treasury and Financial Institutions, Group Head, Wealth Management and Private Banking, Treasurer, Head of Operations, Branch Manager. She introduced and supervised the implementation of the Bank's revised local Money transfer (Equiswift). She is experienced in Investment Banking, Operations, Risk Management, Sales, Branch Management, Wealth Management and Private Banking, Change Management,

and Strategy Execution. She held the position of Treasurer at Equitorial Trust Bank for years. She played a pivotal role in the merger between Equitorial Trust Bank and Sterling Bank, managing seamlessly, people, processes, & systems integration in a record period of six months as an active member of the interim management team of Sterling Bank. She became a General Manager in 2014.

As an ethical, disciplined, and strategic leader, Mojisola has managed other critical roles within Sterling Bank including Chairman of Sterling Disciplinary Committee, a position she held for over two years. In this role, she propagated the importance of ethics while leading the team to strategically mentor and shape a workforce that is compliant with disciplinary requirements both within the bank and the banking industry at large. She also chairs the bank's Service Management Committee, enabling the bank to offer exceptional services to clients and customers. She also sits on the leadership of the Bloom network, established to mentor, and enable younger female bankers optimize their banking careers.

Beyond her workplace, she is an active member of several professional bodies where she continues to lead and drive innovative changes:

- Fellow, The Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria.
- Chartered Banker Scotland, United Kingdom.
- Fellow of the Institute of Credit Administration, Nigeria.
- Fellow Enterprise Risk Professional.
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Loans and Risk Management of Nigeria.
- Associate Member, Institute of Directors- AMIoD.
- Associate, The Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria.

Mrs. Bakare-Asieru currently serves as the National Treasurer of the Institute. Her partnership with The Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria started with the Lagos State Branch, where she served for various years as part of the committee organizing the prestigious Lagos Banker's Nite. She has also served on various committees at the National level.

- National Treasurer of the Institute 2022- Date.
- She is currently the Chairperson of Finance and General-Purpose Committee of the Institute 2022- Date.
- Member, Consultative Committee on the Annual Banking and Finance conference 2020-2023.
- Chairperson, Logistic Sub-Committee on the Annual Banking and Finance conference 2023. Member, Ad hoc Committee on Annual Bankers Dinner 2012- 2022.
- Chairperson, Logistics Sub-committee on Annual Bankers Dinner 2021.
- Chairperson, Award Sub-committee on Annual Bankers Dinner 2020.
- First Vice chairperson, Governing Council's Membership Services Development Committee 2020- 2022.
- Member of the Governing Council's Capacity Building Committee of the Institute. 2018-2020.
- Member of the Governing Council of the Institute 2018- date.
- Member, Budget and Funding Sub-committee, Sub-committee on Annual Bankers Dinner 2019.
- Ex-Officio of the CIBN Lagos State Branch 2016-2018.
- Chairman of the CIBN Lagos State Branch Bankers' Nite 2012.

Noteworthy is Mojisola's service as a member of the Governing Council of the Institute for two tenures, working with two successive Presidents. She also served as an Elected Governing Council Member, having been elected in a keenly contested election. Additionally, she was co-opted into the Council after the expiration of her tenure in view of her valuable contributions to the Institute and Nigerian Banking Industry in general. During her tenure as the first vice chairperson of the Governing Council's Membership Services Development Committee of the Institute, her contributions led to the continuous creation of value for members.

Mojisola is committed to the banking industry, as shown by her journey, contributions, and impact. Her actions reflect a person who has continued to give deep thought to the challenges facing the Nigerian Banking Industry in this digital age while proffering solutions for the customers beyond the banking hall.

She also served as the Vice President of the Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Nigeria, and chaired the membership and welfare committee and the board of business education services and training of LCCI for two years consecutively till November, 2023. Her quest for leading a better banking environment and the world has led her to enroll in Leadership Programs such as the:

- Strategy Execution Programme Certification at INSEAD, Fontainebleau in 2022,
- Corporate Governance and Board Leadership at Lagos Business School-Pan-Atlantic University in July 2021,
- Women Executive Leadership: Business Strategies for Success at The Wharton School-University of Pennsylvania in November 2019,
- Leading Organizational Change Program at The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania in December 2018.

She is also an alumna of INSEAD Fontainebleau, France, and Bangor University North Wales, United Kingdom.

Mojisola is married to the Asieru-Sweet family.