THE FORTUNE/U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT GLOBAL WOMEN’S MENTORING PARTNERSHIP

The U.S. Mission Nigeria is pleased to offer you the opportunity to nominate candidates for the FORTUNE/U.S. State Department Global Women’s Mentoring Partnership, a mentoring program for emerging women leaders from around the world, which will take place from April 22 through May 16, 2013 in the United States. You may nominate yourself.

FORTUNE’s Most Powerful Women are comprised of well known CEOs and senior executives from some of America’s most prestigious companies and organizations. The program provides participants with unique opportunities to develop their management and business skills while gaining experience in the U.S. business and non-profit environment.

PROGRAM OUTLINE - The 2013 program includes a four-day orientation in Washington, DC, an approximately two-week mentorship assignment and a two-day communication training and debriefing in New York City. The DC program will include meetings with USG officials, academics and representatives of business associations. Following the DC orientation, the participants will travel individually to their company's location, where a FORTUNE Most Powerful Woman and her team will mentor the participant. Each participant will have the opportunity to shadow a senior executive and engage in activities specifically designed by the company to meet the needs and interests of the participant. The final component will be a two-day debriefing in New York City, where participants will meet with business leaders, evaluate their mentorship experiences and develop follow-up activities.

PARTICIPANTS - Participants are limited to emerging leaders in the business and NGO sectors between the ages of 25 and 43. They must have a good command of English, including business-related terms, to successfully take part in the program. Participants should demonstrate a willingness to participate in exchange programs, should welcome opportunities for mentoring and new partnership development, and should exhibit confidence and maturity. They should also be self-motivated and destined for success in their profession, and committed to passing on lessons and helping others succeed in their home country. Participants could include women who run their own businesses, work in middle/middle-upper management for a non-U.S.-based corporation, or women who run business associations, foundations or non-government organizations. Many past participants had higher education degrees in business and management, although this is not mandatory. Compatibility of skills, background, and experience between selected participants and their potential mentors will also be a part of the selection criteria. Individuals who work for FORTUNE 500 companies abroad are not eligible. FORTUNE mentors and their companies commit substantial amounts of time, effort, and funding to host participants in their program. Accordingly, when candidates are selected, they are expected to make a firm commitment to the program.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES
Nomination forms must be received no later than 12noon on Friday, January 4, 2013, and should consist of the attached nomination form and a detailed CV for each nominee. It should be sent via email (no scanned copies) to culturallagos@state.gov
MENTORING COMPANIES - Companies that participated last year were:

- Accenture
- Affiliated Computer Services
- American Express Open
- Avon Products, Inc.
- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- CARE USA
- Case Foundation
- Dow Chemical
- Dupont Performance Materials
- EcoSecurities, Ltd.
- Ernst and Young, LLP
- Exxon Mobil Corp.
- Fish & Richardson PC
- Fulbright & Jaworski LLP
- The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.
- Herman Miller
- JWT NY
- Kendle International, Inc.
- KPMG LLP
- Merrill Lynch and Company, Inc.
- Microsoft Corporation
- New York Road Runners
- The Nielsen Company
- Sesame Workshop
- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP
- Solera Capital, LLC
- Time Inc.
- Time Warner, Inc.
- Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.
- Wells Fargo