

Profile of Directors Retiring 2024



1. Alhaji Rabi'u M. Gwarzo, OON

Alhaji Rabi'u Gwarzo, OON, Chairman of Northern Nigeria Flour Mills Plc started his educational career with a brief stint at Bayero University Kano and proceeded to West Ham College and North East London Polytechnic, both in London where he studied Commercial Accounting between 1972 and 1975. He holds a Certificate in Accounting and Finance from the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland (1982).

He joined Northern Nigeria Flour Mills Plc as an Accountant in 1985, rose to the position of Deputy Managing Director in 1991; Managing Director in 1997 and was elevated to the position of Vice-Chairman of the Company in 2011. Following the retirement of the Chairman Alhaji Alhassan Aminu Dantata, he was unanimously appointed as the chairman of the board in 2023.

Alhaji Rabi'u, Gwarzo (an Officer of the Order of Niger), who joined the Board of Flour Mills of Nigeria Plc as a non-executive member on 8th December 2009, is also a member of Kano Peace Development Initiative and a Director of Kano State Investment Company Limited.



2. SANI ABDULGANIYU ESQ, FNIM, FCNA, ACA,

Alhaji SANI ABDULGANIYU ESQ, FNIM, FCNA, ACA, was born on the 21st of September, 1965. He joined Northern Nigeria Investment Limited in 1992 as an assistant manager (F&A) and rose to a full manager in 1997. By 2001, owing to his dedication and hard work he rose to the position of senior manager (Corporate services), a position he held till 2004. He joined the New Nigerian Development Company Limited in 2006 as group head of internal audit. He held various positions within the group and was appointed the managing director of Kaduna Hotels Limited (Hamdala Hotels) in 2012. He is currently the Accountant General of Kwara State, Nigeria.

Alhaji Abdulganiyu Sani is a member of various professional bodies and associations in Nigeria, some of which are, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria ICAN, Nigeria Institute of Management NIM, Association of National Accountants, Institute of Management Consultants etc.

He is a resource person who has presented various papers in the field of finance, fraud prevention, project management and evaluations. He has attended various courses, seminars and workshops within and outside the country.

He also carried out various roles as special assignment and memberships of committees for governments and organizations, some of which are:

Counterpart Staff with Price Water House on the restructuring and transformation of NNIL to a Commercial outfit (2000).

Member Board of Director Terytex Nigeria Limited Kano. (2009 to 2013) .As a Member of the Board led the Team That Negotiated and secured the Bank of Industry facility for the expansion of this Company. The Company is the only surviving Towel manufacturing Company in Kano State

Member Board of Director Integrated Development Consultant Limited Kaduna. (2010 to date). He is currently the Accountant General of Kwara State.



3. Mr. Boye Olusanya, GMD/CEO

Mr Omoboyede Oyebolanle Olusanya is the Group Managing Director/CEO of Flour Mills of Nigeria Plc (FMN Group).

Mr. Olusanaya is a highly experienced business leader with prowess in creating long-term strategic and financial value across several industries, including Telecommunications, Finance, Energy and Manufacturing. Before he was appointed CEO in January 2021, he was the Group's Chief Operating Officer and a member of the Executive Management Team.

Prior to joining FMN, Mr. Olusanaya had served in several leadership positions including, Chief Business Transformation Officer at Dangote Group, where he spearheaded the transformation of the group. Between July 2017 and October 2018, he was the Managing Director / CEO of Emerging Market Telecommunications Service (9Mobile). He also serves on the Board of Directors of Axxela Group, Starsight and OVH Energy.

Mr. Olusanaya holds a B.Sc. (Hons) in Civil Engineering from the University of Lagos, and two Master's degrees in Environmental Engineering and Computer Science from the University of Liverpool and the University of Manchester, respectively. Mr. Olusanaya has also attended several leadership and management programs at the Lagos, London and Harvard Business Schools.



4. Mr. Joseph Odion Umolu

“Mr. Joseph Odion Umolu is currently the Company Secretary/Group Director, Legal Services of Flour Mills of Nigeria Plc with a career in corporate legal practice that cuts across both the private and public sectors and spans over two decades. He is also a Non-Executive Director on the Board of Honeywell Flour Mills Plc.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Philosophy from the University of Ibadan and a Law Degree from the University of Lagos. He was called to the Nigerian Bar in October 2000 and subsequently obtained a Master of Laws degree from the University of Lagos.

He commenced his career in Gocuz Chambers as the Managing Counsel before joining the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority as Senior Legal Officer in 2003. He proceeded to the Legal Department of Union Bank of Nigeria Plc where he rose to the position of a Manager. Joseph began his career with FMN as Manager of Legal Services in January 2012 and later became Head, of Legal Services in 2014. He was appointed the Company Secretary in January 2016 and became Director, Legal Services in 2017.

He is a member of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA), the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators of Nigeria (ICSAN), the Institute of Directors (IOD) and the Society for Corporate Governance, Nigeria.”