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Diallo, Tiranke

Tiranke Diallo is from Guinea and has lived in Berlin for 30 years. She is an active member of the Guinean community and involved in the German association Mama Afrika, an organisation that fights against FGM in Germany and Guinea. Tiranke has participated in the CHANGE Plus project, in order to reach behavioural changes in her community.



Kapnang Tchaptchet, Evariste Franz

Evariste Franz Kapnang Tchaptchet was born in Cameroon and came to Germany in 2006. He currently works as a foreign language secretary and is a member of the German NGO Mama Afrika focusing on FGM in Germany and Guinea. Together with his wife Tiranke Diallo, Evariste is an active member of the Guinean community.



Sawadogo-Poyga, Rakieta

Rakieta Sawadogo-Poyga, was born in Ouahgouya, Burkina Faso. After finishing her German high school degree, she studied Economy in the former GDR (German Democratic Republic). In 1994, she returned to Burkina Faso working for the GIZ (German Corporation for International Cooperation). Rakieta founded together with five women the Association Bangr-Nooma (ABN), an organisation promoting the abandonment of FGM. Her primary aspirations are the fight and commitment for women's rights, especially the abolition of FGM.



Wegener, Maja

Maja Wegener is a social scientist and systemic therapist. She has been working at TERRE DES FEMMES – Human Rights for Women e.V. in the position of head of department in the Berlin headquarters since 2015. She is responsible for the coordination and implementation of TERRE DES FEMMES' activities in preventing gender-based violence. Prior to that, she worked as the managing director of FRIEDA – Counselling Centre for Women, an organisation advocating for the empowerment of girls and women in Berlin.



Weil, Charlotte

Charlotte Weil is project officer and policy specialist in the FGM department of the German women's rights organisation TERRE DES FEMMES – Human Rights for Women e.V. Since January 2016, she is coordinating the CHANGE Plus project. Charlotte holds a degree in Area Studies with focus on Africa and a Minor degree in Law. She has working experience in Senegal and Togo, coordinating and implementing projects on women's and children's rights, including FGM.