



## **AUGUST 2023 NEWSLETTER**

### **Elevating Women's Participation in the Workplace in West Africa**

On the 3rd of August, 2023, Regina Solomon, our Program staff, represented CGE Africa at the workshop organized by the Solidarity Center (SC) held at the Top Rank Hotels in Abuja. Solidarity Center kickstarted its project: “Elevating Women's Participation in the Workplace in West Africa.” The project aims to address discrimination and gender-based violence and harassment (GBVH) against women in Liberia and Nigeria's agricultural and extractive industries. CGE Africa is committed to collaborating with partners and stakeholders to prevent and stop violence against women, especially in the world of work.



### **ActionAid's WVL Project Outcomes Documentation Workshop**

From August 17th to August 24th, 2023, the ActionAid Women Voice and Leadership (WVL) Project Team hosted an intensive residential workshop in Lagos. The workshop aimed for local women's rights organizations to jointly develop the WVL-Nigeria Project's Exit Strategy and Document the Outcomes. Regina Solomon represented CGE Africa at the workshop.



### **Joint Community Conversation on Caregiving for Older Women**

On August 26, 2023, we convened the Itedo and Maiyegun communities at the Eti-Osa Local Government Secretariat for a joint community conversation. The focus: Caregiving for Older Women. This event united stakeholders—community leaders from both communities, healthcare experts, religious figures, and family members of our project beneficiaries (older women). We discussed caregiving challenges, explored opportunities, and devised actionable solutions for promoting healthy aging.

One of the day's highlights was the opportunity for our Rights Holders to voice their concerns and challenges regarding caregiving. We discussed and agreed on how to combat ageism, foster inclusion, and henceforth create communities where every individual feels cherished and valued regardless of age.



### **Launch of The National Working Group on Gender and Blue Economy (GBEE-WOG)**

On the 30th of August, 2023, at the Watercress Event Center in Ikeja, we inaugurated a Civil Society-led National Working Group on Gender and Blue Economy. This event brought together key stakeholders who shared their expertise and insights on strategic approaches prioritizing gender and economic inclusion within the blue economy sector.

A dedicated working group committed to advancing gender equality and fostering inclusivity within Nigeria's Blue Economy Sector has been born. As an organization, we are excited about the positive impact this working group will bring to the forefront of Nigeria's evolving blue economy. We are ready to coordinate its activities.

