

## John Ede

## **Profile**

As President and HC at Ohaha Family Foundation, an organization in consultative status with ECOSOC, dedicated to delivering people-centered, community-led humanitarian and development programs. Over the past two decades, I have contributed to global dialogues and initiatives that prioritize accountability to affected populations—including; the UN USHA/ERC's consultation on the Humanitarian Reset, Co-Chair the Charter4change Climate and Environment WG, Co-Facilitator of the Grand Bargain Country level dialogue, and chair of NRG Nigeria, member of the defunct IASC RG 3 (BAI & CORTER), Spotlight Initiative African Regional Programme Steering committee, speaker at various high-level events including the AU Humanitarian and Pledging summit, SIARP partners dialogue, CCHN World summit, HNPW, UNDSS Security Symposium, UNODC dialogues and Consultations, EU Delegation to New York discussion series, AidEx Geneva, and coordinate the Africa Civil Society Reference Group (ACSRG), a platform engaging with the African Union, UN, and international actors to center African voices in humanitarian governance and policy-making.

Additionally, deliver humanitarian negotiations skills training courses, hosted CHS Alliance, and GISF workshops, and a certified Security Risk Management Professional, I have trained and advocated for field-level practices that protect, empower, and respect crisis-affected people. However, beyond technical roles, my most enduring motivation comes from my lived experience—sheltering affected population, witnessing communities abandoned after conflicts and disasters, listening to survivors who felt unheard by humanitarian systems, and navigating the complexity of aid as both a recipient and a responder.

## Why is the CHS Alliance important to the sector?

The CHS Alliance is an organization that is at the forefront of strengthening trust, accountability, and justice in humanitarian action. I want to join the CHSA Board to contribute my experience and conviction the Alliance.

## What motivates you to join the Alliance's Board?

I would be honored to work alongside fellow board members to uphold and advance the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS) in a manner that is both principled and transformative. I believe my joining the CHS Alliance Board would bring, authentic, grounded insight into the realities of crisis-affected populations in underrepresented regions, a strong voice advocating for localization, transparency, and survivor-centered approaches, proven commitment to ethical leadership, equity, and participatory governance.