

# **CEO's Message for May**

Just the other day, it was January. Thinking that it is getting to half of the year is challenging for me as it should for you. I am looking back at the past months and reconciling with myself to see what I have achieved so far as time is surely not on my side. I hope you have the same awareness and are improving the lives of refugees with each minute you get as time ticks away too fast.

# **Business Development**

I congratulate DRC for winning a bid with UNICEF to construct classrooms. This will give an opportunity to refugee children and those from host communities a chance to attain education which will develop their literacy and numeracy skills and contribute greately to their successful future.

I also wish the best of luck to Burundi, Liberia, Ethiopia, and Niger as they submitted a concept to Climate and Development Knowledge Network(CDKN) in response to the 'Knowledge-to-action" call. Let us be optimistic about the outcomes, but also keep looking outward for more fundraising and partnership engagements.

With the current Sudan crisis where clashes are breaking out in cities across the country with the heaviest fighting concentrated around the capital city of Khartoum and Darfur region, AIRD teams from CHAD, South Sudan, and Ethiopia are planning on responding to this emergency and upheaval. Let us pray for their safety as they go to the forefront to support the victims and offer them humaniterian assistance.

## **Risk Management**

This month, the Risk & Compliance Manager engaged management and staff in a risk assessment exercise that would support the process of developing an organizational risk register. I encourage you all to comply for the smooth efficiency of the process.

# HR communication Eulogy

We still remember with great sadness the demise of our colleague Niyibikora Marc Mico, the former Operations

Manager of Chad who passed on in April. We continue to pray for comfort for his family, colleagues from Chad and friends. May God continue to give him eternal rest.



## Left AIRD

1. Emmanuel Guissil Agouna - CPD Cameroon

### Joined AIRD

1. Stephen Okeny - Project Manager- Formula 21. Formula 21 is Auto Service and multi-skills center that is located in Mbarara district, Uganda. It is an auto service and vocational training institute for youth (refugees and their host communities) who will be skilled in mechanics and other specialities.

### Transfers

 Felix Djimaye - Finance and Administration Manager, Cameroon transferred to Niger.
Valerie Bai Ayemin - Finance and Administration Manager, Niger transferred to Cameroon

Fikru Abebe Abebe