**CHINWE ESIMAI BIO**

Chinwe Esimai is a multiple award-winning lawyer, trailblazing corporate executive, author and speaker who helps women leaders discover and embrace their genius and live lives of impact and fulfillment. She is managing director and Chief Compliance Officer for Legacy Franchises at Citigroup, Inc. Prior to that, she was Chief Anti-Bribery Officer at Citigroup. She’s the first person to hold these titles in the bank’s history. Chinwe spent five years at Goldman Sachs in various regulatory risk-management roles, and also served as a law professor at the University of St. Thomas School of Law.

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Chinwe has received numerous awards, including: American Banker’s Most Powerful Women in Banking; Crain’s New York Business Notable Diverse Leaders in Banking & Finance; Leading Ladies Africa’s Most Inspiring Women; Tropics Magazine’s Most Powerful Africans Shaping the Future of Africa; Nigerian Lawyers Association Trailblazer of the Year; Face2Face Africa Corporate Leadership Award; and Diversity Magazine’s Elite 100 Women Changing the Face of Corporate America.

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Chinwe’s leadership insights have been featured in leading publications, including Forbes, Thrive Global, Black Enterprise, Medium, and Knowledge@Wharton. She has delivered keynotes to prestigious audiences and has spoken three times at the United Nations.

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