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Hon. Saida Agrebi (MPH/IEC, UC Berkeley, California 1975) is currently a member of the Tunisian and Pan African Parliaments since 1999, founder and president of the Tunisian Mothers' Organization since 1992, president of AU-ECOSOCC Credentials Committee since 2004, UN NGO IRENE coordinator for Africa, vice president of the World Family Organization (WFO) in Communications and Public Relations since 1977, Advisory Board member of Arab International Women Forum (AIWF), advisory board member of FAS (Femme Africa Solidarity), focal point of GIMAC (Gender is my Agenda Campaign) and FEMNET for North Africa, regional advisor in gender and civil society issues in the MENA region, former director of the Arab Working Women Committee, ALO (1976-1986), and founding member of the Arab Family Organization of the League Arab States.

Ms. Agrebi is dedicated to civil society, gender issues, women's rights, economic empowerment, and reproductive health. Through volunteer work within the local, national, regional, and global NGOs, she has, since the mid seventies, launched several initiatives to integrate women and mothers in the Sustainable Development process. Concrete projects include the outreach of target populations in rural and remote areas, focusing on the needy, the handicapped, and the voiceless, bringing in solidarity health services, functional and legal literacy, micro-credits generating revenues, and day care centers for handicapped children to allow their mothers to reconcile between family and professional duties, and also to promote digital literacy among mothers and youngsters to face the side effects of the Internet. Since the eve of the Third Millennium and the UN Summit of the Heads of State, Ms. Agrebi's hobby horse has become the implementation of the 8 UN MDGs (the Millennium Development Goals) in particular 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5, namely the eradication of poverty, World Solidarity Fund for Education 4 All, Women Empowerment, and the decrease of maternal and infant mortality before the 2015 deadline.