



## **LUCY EJIKE**

Country: Nigeria

Date of Birth: 16/10/1977

Sport: Para powerlifting

Discipline: 61kg female



### **Sports Career**

Paralympic Games : Gold medal in 2016, Silver medal in 2012

World Championships : Gold medal in 2019, Gold medal in 2017

### **Why do you wish to become a member of the IPC Athletes' Council?**

To impart knowledge and experience to both athletes who are still active and those who have retired, to also help in developing the Paralympic Movement across the world in the interest of sport. I have attended five Paralympic Games as an athlete and have learned a lot for representing my country Nigeria. I would, therefore, want to replicate that experience at the bigger stage especially that I have been the captain of Nigeria Para powerlifting for 10 years.

### **Why do you wish to run for the IPC Athletes' Council?**

I want to contribute to the development of Para sports across the world.

### **What special skills, background and expertise will you bring to the IPC Athletes' Council?**

I have been to five Paralympic Games and have gathered enough experience which I want to bring to the IPC Council if elected in the coming election in Tokyo, Japan.

### **How has sport impacted your life?**

Sport has given me a leadership role which I also exhibited perfectly in my committee and as the representative of athletes in Para powerlifting, giving them a voice.

**What is your vision for the IPC Athletes' Council?**

My vision is to help develop Paralympic Movement in the Sub Sahara African and the world.

**Why is the athletes' voice important to you?**

The only way I can share my experience and be a voice to other athletes across the world.

**What is the biggest challenge you have experienced as an athlete? How did you overcome it?**

Access to wheelchair accessibility, finance. I overcome it through determination, perseverance, discipline.