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 <p data-bbox="196 655 444 713"><b>Kanayo Nwanze</b> Chair, AfricaRice Board</p>	<p data-bbox="605 219 1555 666"><b>Kanayo Nwanze's</b> entire professional life – as an entomologist at IITA, as a Principal Scientist at ICRISAT, as the Director General of Africa Rice, and as the Vice President and President of International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) – has been dedicated to improving the lives and livelihoods of the world's poorest and hungriest people who live in rural areas of the developing world, most of whom are women and girls. The end of Dr Nwanze's ten-year tenure at IFAD in March 2017 ushered in a new phase in his professional career which culminated in the founding of a not-for-profit foundation or facility, FAYODE (Facility for Youth Development) in January 2018. Dr Nwanze is well published including his book, "A Bucket of Water – Reflections on Sustainable Rural Development" and is recipient of many professional Awards and National Honours including Doctorate of Science degrees <i>honoris causa</i> from McGill University, Canada, and University of Warwick, UK. Dr Nwanze continues to live his conviction and serves on several boards of agricultural research and development and agribusiness entities.</p>