

Westminster Foundation for Democracy: Developing Women Leaders Programme

Tina Fahm

'In the programme set up in Province Orientale (Eastern Province) for female members of parliament and of civil society, the Westminster Foundation for Democracy kindly offered several training courses aimed at strengthening the capacity of women in the Province for development in the social, cultural and legal spheres. As part of the training programme WFD called upon the consultancy services of Madame Tina Fahm, who through her professionalism and personality was able to understand the expectations of the women of the Province. She was able to identify the local needs and on that basis to select relevant subject areas for training, and consequently provide the participants with the analytical models, strategies and conceptual tools to allow them to achieve their ambitions. The consistent efforts of Madame Tina Fahm to improve and develop the knowledge and skills of the participants relevant to the social context of the Eastern Province have been of real benefit in terms of the major developments and results achieved. In fact, the preparation and submission by the women of the three bills of law put before the Provincial Assembly is something that had never been done before in the Province. In her approach Tina Fahm was able to make it clear that the involvement of women in the development process was absolutely essential. Many of those involved in the course considered her to be an exemplary model. This is what I think has constituted the success of this programme.'

Marianne Mulangala Muipatayi, Chair of AFAC, Democratic Republic of Congo, October 2014

