

**MENTEE****Sébastienne Adjadogbedji**

Founder & Director

Groupe Pepite D'or Azowenongboya



Benin

She is the Founder and Director of the company Groupe Pépité d'Or Azowenongboya, specialized in the production and marketing of nutritional products made from local agricultural raw materials, such as Pépité d'Or and Beau Bébé nutritional flours for infants and adults, Soyascuit and Yoki-Yoki nutritional biscuits and cornflakes, as well as Tonifia and Sojamilk nutritional juices and milks, etc. She began her career as a soybean extension agent with CRS Benin in 1982. At the end of the project, she decided to continue these activities at her own expense, convinced of the nutritional and therapeutic benefits of soybeans, particularly useful to the population in a social context where needs are strongly felt. In order to facilitate the cooking and processing of soybeans while combating deforestation and desertification, she added to her actions the promotion of improved cookstoves. To better expand her activities, she created in 1990 the Association of Soybean and Improved Cookstove Extension Agents, then the Cooperative of Soybean and Improved Cookstove Extension Agents.

Groupe Pépité d'Or Azowenongboya SARL

Founded in 2005, through the company Sébastienne has received several awards and distinctions, such as her admission to the National Order of Benin as an Agricultural Knight, as well as Gold Medals awarded by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI).

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