Bio – Dr. Githinji Gitahi, Group CEO, Amref Health Africa.

Dr. Githinji Gitahi, MBS, joined Amref Health Africa in 2015 and has held various roles spanning the health, media, and private sectors. Prior to his tenure at Amref, he served as Vice President and Regional Director for Africa at Smile Train International. Dr. Gitahi is esteemed for his leadership on both global and regional stages, with notable achievements, including co-chairing the global UHC2030 movement and serving on the Commission on Africa's COVID-19 Response. His past roles include serving on the Governing Board of Africa CDC, the Board of the National Cancer Institute, and as Co-Chair of the Strategic Advocacy Committee for PMNCH. Currently, he serves on the Boards of Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI), Safaricom Foundation, and Food for Education, as well as on the Independent Board of the Lancet Countdown. Recently, he was appointed to the AstraZeneca Global Health Equity Advisory Board and the PMNCH Board, and became a member of the Virchow Foundation Prize Committee and the Advisory Council of the Coalition for Women's Health in Africa (COWHA). Dr. Gitahi is a prominent advocate for pro-poor Universal Health Coverage and spearheads the largest thought leadership convening on the African health agenda.