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Aliko Dangote is a Nigerian businessman and philanthropist who is the Founder, President and Chief Executive of the Dangote Group. First founded in 1977 as a company that traded in commodities and building supplies, it has today grown into one of Africa's largest diversified conglomerates, aiming to become a \$100 billion revenue enterprise with a \$200 billion market cap by 2030.

One of his most ambitious projects is the construction of a 650,000 barrels per day refinery and petrochemicals complex, which is the world scale merchant refinery, also the largest in Africa and the 6th largest in the world, at the cost of \$20bn. As part of his ongoing commitment to food security in Africa, is a plan to ensure Africa is self-sufficient in Fertilizer producer. Currently, expansion efforts are underway to increase production capacity at the Dangote Fertilizer plant from 2 trains with a production capacity of 3 million metric tons to 4 trains with a total production capacity of 9 million metric tons. In parallel, production capacity of the renowned Dangote Petroleum Refinery in Ibeju-Lekki, Lagos is being scaled from the current 650,000 barrels per day (bpd) to a world record 1.4 million bpd to satisfy both local and global demand.

Aliko is also the founder of Aliko Dangote Foundation, the largest private Foundation in sub-Saharan Africa with an endowment of US\$1.25 billion, focused on addressing childhood malnutrition, access to healthcare especially amongst the vulnerable people, and education inequality. The Foundation has contributed extensively towards the eradication of polio, malaria and was a leading actor in the fight against COVID-19 in Nigeria and the continent. In 2025, the ADF Education Scholarship Initiative was announced, a N100 billion per year initiative designed to address several critical areas in the Nigerian education sector. At its peak, the program aims to reach 155,000 students annually.

Aliko seats on the Board of several international organisations.