

## DR Congo: A Nobel Prize winner to run for Presidency

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**Dr. Denis Mukwege** announced that he would challenge the country's current president in the upcoming December 2023 elections.

[www.DiGiNews360.com](http://www.DiGiNews360.com) welcomes the candidature of Dr. Mukwege's candidature. In the elections, held in 2018, **Félix Tshisekedi**, leader of the party **Union for Democracy and Social Progress (UDPS)**, was declared the winner of the presidential election. Some Election Observers did not find the elections of 2018 to be fully transparent. But the elections did lead to a **peaceful change of presidency** from **Joseph Kabila** to **Félix Tshisekedi**.

[www.DiGiNews360.com](http://www.DiGiNews360.com) calls upon all the political forces in DRC to work for a completely **transparent, fair and peaceful election** in December 2023.



**Dr. Denis Mukwege**, a Congolese Nobel Peace Prize Winner

ABOUT Dr. DENIS MUKWEGE: The Nobel Peace Prize-winning doctor **Denis Mukwege** is a Gynecologist and Pentecostal pastor. In 1999, he founded the **Panzi Hospital** for providing quality maternal healthcare to the impoverished neighborhood on the **outskirts of Bukavu**.

The **Second Congo War** or the Great War of Africa, was a conflict that took place in the Democratic Republic of the Congo **from August 2, 1998 to July 18, 2003**. Eastern part of DRC has suffered during the entire period of instability and wars for decades. Sexual violence was used as a weapon of war and armed conflict.

The Panzi hospital is located in the area, in which the suffered the most during the wars and internal conflicts. Dr. Denis Mukwege found at the hospital a large number of women, who had been raped by armed rebels in inhuman ways. He started treating such cases. The suffering was so much that he had to be on his feet for 17 hours a day for weeks.

In 2018, **Mukwege** and Iraqi Yazidi human rights activist **Nadia Murad** were jointly awarded the **Nobel Peace Prize** for "their efforts to end the use of sexual violence as a weapon of war during armed conflicts.

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