Ms. Samia Suluhu Hassan
Vice-President, United Republic of Tanzania

Samia Hassan Suluhu became Tanzania’s first-ever female Vice-President in the 2015 General Elections, alongside John Magufuli, the President.

She is a Tanzanian CCM politician, served as the Member of Parliament for Makunduchi constituency from 2010 to 2015, and has been Minister of State in the Vice President’s Office for Union Affairs since 2010. Prior to this, Ms. Suluhu served as a Minister in the semiautonomous region of Zanzibar in the administration of President Amani Karume.

In 2014, she was elected as the Vice-Chair of the Constituent Assembly, tasked with drafting the country’s new constitution.

In July 2015, CCM’s presidential nominee John Magufuli chose her as his running mate for the 2015 election, making her the first female running mate in the party’s history.