

Frontrunners in Nigeria's election

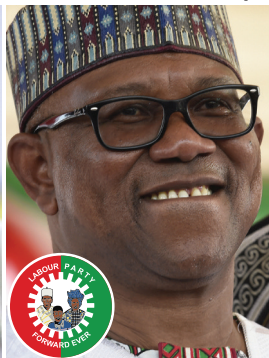
The three main presidential contenders have all promised to revive Nigeria's battered economy and fight spreading insecurity as well as endemic corruption



Bola Tinubu, 70
All Progressives Congress (APC)
Ruling party candidate vying to succeed outgoing President **Muhammadu Buhari**

■ Former Lagos state governor is influential figure in southwest, where he is acclaimed as political godfather

■ Aims to continue Buhari-era policies but end fuel subsidy and promote agriculture and social welfare programmes, while expanding military to end Islamist insurgency



Peter Obi, 61
Labour Party
Relative newcomer to politics being touted as credible alternative to Nigeria's two main party candidates

■ Former Anambra state governor has attracted substantial support, mostly from young Nigerians

■ Pledging to triple power generation, dismantle multiple exchange rate system, diversify economy to reduce reliance on oil and give better funding to military



Atiku Abubakar, 76
People's Democratic Party (PDP)
Opposition candidate running for sixth time following five previous losses

■ Vice president from 1999-2007, staunch capitalist made his fortune investing in oil and gas sector

■ Plans to privatise state oil company, allow private sector to play greater role in economy, liberalise exchange rate and provide more equipment to military