



Nigerian Certified Engineers to Get International Status

...Says COREN President

By Lamara Garba

The Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) is pursuing a new policy that will strengthen the process of accreditation and certification of engineering graduates in Nigerian tertiary institutions so as to be in conformity with the international Engineering Alliance (IEA), Standards.

President of COREN, Engr. Aliyu A. Rabi'u who stated this during a reception organized in his honour by the Management of Bayero University on Wednesday, 18th September, 2019 at the Senate Chamber, said, already the body had begun a discussion with a global engineering body that will make COREN accredited engineering programs have a similar status with its counterparts at international level.

According to him, the idea is to make it easy for our engineers, so that they will not be subjected to any international accreditation wherever they find themselves in the world. "Once we accredit a programme in any institution, it suffices anywhere in the world."

He said based on the Washington Accord reached during the global meeting of the International Engineering Alliance (IEA) in which countries from Europe and America among others being the countries signatories to the Accord, have agreed on the institutionalization of certain mechanisms which will give an international recognition of registered engineers from the member countries. Part of the procedure is to have an independent accreditation body.

Earlier speaking, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, said when they heard of the election of Engr. Aliyu Rabi'u as COREN President, the Management felt that as an Alumnus of BUK, the University was obliged to host a befitting reception in his honour.

According to him, the COREN President had made the University proud in view of his sterling contributions to engineering profession in particular and national development in general. "You are a true and good ambassador of this University and we wish you a successful tenure and be a good ambassador of your *alma-mata*."

He also advised COREN in its determination for quality assurance and standards to liaise with other regulatory bodies, particularly the National Universities Commission (NUC) in the aspect of accreditation of programs so as to have synergy and efficiency.

Meanwhile, the COREN President advised Nigerian Universities to concentrate on programmes relevant to their environment especially in the area of science, technology and innovation which he said were the triple pillars of growth and development of any society.



VC, Prof. M. Y. Bello (right) presenting a souvenir to the President COREN, Engr. A. A. Rabi'u

He said he was overwhelmed by the infrastructural development of the university in the last twenty years, which, according to him were the manifestation of good and quality leadership over the time. "On my arrival, we went round the University and were taken to the Solar energy project. In fact, I was amazed by the project with and other ones I had seen. I am really proud to be associated with BUK," he declared.

He reaffirmed his commitment to ensuring standards and quality in the engineering program across the nations's tertiary institutions.

Responding, the Vice Chancellor said engineering is a noble profession which plays significant role in the development of a nation. He thanked the COREN President for the visit.

Commonwealth of Learning Confers Fellowship on Prof Abdalla Uba, VC NOUN

By Lamara Garba

The Commonwealth of Learning (COL) has conferred its prestigious Honorary Fellow on the Vice Chancellor of the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), Professor Abdalla Uba Adamu.

The ceremony took place on Thursday, 12th September, 2019 during the 9th edition of the Pan-Commonwealth Forum (PCF9), which took place at the Murray Rugby Stadium, Edinburg, Scotland. The theme for this year's conference is **“Innovation for Quality Education and Lifelong Education.”**

The conference, which kicked off on Monday, 9th September, 2019 had Prof Adamu as well as Prof. Nageshwar Rao of the Indira Ghandi National Open University (IGNOU), India and Dr. Caroline Seelig, CEO of Open Polytechnic of New Zealand as the only three Vice Chancellors, who constituted the panel on the theme of the Forum. The panel was chaired by Sir John Daniel, a former President of the COL.

Professor Adamu along with Professor Mandla Makhanya, the Vice Chancellor, University of South Africa were the only two Africans out of the eight notable leaders of educational innovation in distance education across the world who were conferred with the prestigious Fellowship during the meeting.

The Fellowship was bestowed on him by the President and CEO of the Canada-based COL, Professor Asha

Kanwar, who said the award recognized outstanding contributions by an individual to distance education in areas, such as leadership and service and published works, including course wares and lectures as well as presentations and mentorship.

Abdalla Uba Adamu, was the first Northerner to have obtained a double Professorship in Education Science and Media Studies. He lectured at the Department of Media and Information Studies in the Faculty of Communication, Bayero University, Kano before his appointment as Vice Chancellor of NOUN sometime in 2016.



Prof. Abdalla Uba Adamu with his certificate

General Babangida Salutes Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages

By Abubakar Yusuf

Nigeria's former Military President, General Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida (Rtd), has commended the effort of Bayero University is Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages Translation and Folklore for its



Emir of Hadejia, Alh. Adamu Abubakar Maje (right), with DVC (Admin), Prof. Haruna Waili (centre) VC, Maitama Sule University, Prof. Mustapha A. Isa

documentation of the lives and times of Hausa artisttries and for a deeper study of the philosophical contents of their works.

General Babangida, who was speaking at the opening ceremony of a 2-day international Conference on Ibrahim Narambada Tubali, organized by the University's Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages Translation and Folklore (CRNLTF) held at the Convocation Arena on Monday, 16th September 2019, expressed happiness over the Centre's effort.

The former President, who was represented by the former Permanent Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Defence, Dr Bukar Usman, said “I understand that this conference on Ibrahim Narambada follows a similar one the Centre has successfully hosted in recent times on another notable artiste, Dr Mamman Shata”. He promised to contribute towards the achievement of such projects.

In his message at the occasion, the Minister of Education, Mallam Adamu Adamu, said that Bayero University had over the decades strived and excelled in the study, conservation and promotion of Hausa literature and culture, in particular, and that of Nigeria

and Africa, in general.

On the conference, Malam Adamu said this was highly welcomed partly because Narambada was his most favourite Hausa Singer of all times. "I understand the significance of Narambada in the Hausa traditional music sphere. It immediately occurred to me that the iconicity of this profound singer had been somewhat neglected in our cultural discourse and the academia, compared to some of his peers in the industry," he added.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza

Bello, who was represented by Deputy Vice Chancellor (Admin), Professor Haruna Wakili commended the Centre for organizing the conference, which, he said, was timely. He said the University Management would continue to assist in that direction.

The Director of the Centre, Professor Aliyu Muazu, said the centre in collaboration with the Department of Nigerian Languages and the Department of Linguistics organized the conference in honour of Nigeria's former Military President, General Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida.

BUK Welcomes Collaboration with Chinese Institutions on Genomic Studies

By Nura Garba

Bayero University, Kano is willing and determined to collaborate with Chinese institutions on the area of genomic studies, research linkages, staff and student exchange.

Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, made this assertion when he received a Liaison Officer of China African Centre, Dr Adeola, on Tuesday, 17th September, 2019 who was on a courtesy call. He expressed the university's commitment to partner with the Chinese research institutes to promote Genomic Study and sign a memorandum of understanding on other academic matters.

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, learnt that the Centre had collaborated with the University of Ibadan and assured the visitors that BUK would be the second university in Nigeria to follow suit.

Prof Bello explained that Bayero University was a home of two Africa Centres of Excellence, Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA) and Population Health and Policy (ACEPHAP) with the later best suited for collaboration in Genomic research.

Speaking earlier, Dr. Adeola said his Centre identified BUK as one of the strategic institutions in Nigeria that

could partner with the Chinese institutions to promote the study on Genomics and sign an MoU on other related disciplines.

Dr. Adeola, who is a researcher in the Chinese Academy of Science, said the idea of the visit was to discuss on the areas of collaboration in the centre's thematic areas, staff and student exchange and



Liaison Officer of China African Centre, Dr Adeola (centre) in a group photograph with BUK Management

manpower development.

He expressed happiness over the hospitality shown to him during his visit.

SECURITY APPRAISAL REPORT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE: Implementation of the approved Recommendations of the BUK Security Appraisal Committee, Report, 25th July, 2019

1. All campus residents are enjoined to ensure proper upbringing and discipline of their wards.
2. All campus residents are to report any problems of electrical appliances to the Director, MSD, for necessary and prompt action.
3. All campus residents are to ensure the observance of

tenancy rules and regulations on campus, including the vaccination of their dogs against rabies. All dog owners must control their pets and security dogs at all times and destroy any thing that the dogs bites unfaithfully.

Professor Yusuf Adamu Heads Zamfara State Strategic Development Committee

By Lamara Garba

Governor of Zamfara State, Alhaji Bello Muhammed Matawalle, has constituted a seven-member State Strategy and Development Committee to fashion out modalities for the accelerated growth and development of the state with Professor Yusuf Adamu as the Head of the Committee.

In a letter of appointment, Governor Matawalle charged them to work in the best interests of the state,



Members of Strategy & Development Committee during a visit to the Governor Matawalle

saying that they were chosen based on their competence and merit and mandated them, among other things, to provide a clear pathway to meet the government's set priority within the limited resources with a view to launching Zamfara in the comity of economically buoyant states through industrial, commercial and socio-economic development in Nigeria.

"I sincerely express my deep appreciation to all of you for accepting to work in this onerous task and commitment in carrying out the responsibility of charting a course of rebuilding Zamfara state for

generations to come. Please, be reminded that while carrying out these mandates, you are to be cognizant of the government's resource constraints at the same time, use your deep knowledge of the trends and the challenges in the sensitivity to rebuild Zamfara state," he charged them.

Part of the terms of reference included developing a ten-year (2020-2030) Development Plan for the state; develop a Sector Strategic Plan and a medium-term Sector Implementation Plan; Liaise with government MDA's, National and International Development Partners to provide support for the state and advise the Executive Governor on Strategy and Development matters.

Accordingly, the Committee will also advise the State Governor on the smooth take-off of the newly established Zamfara State University and all tertiary institutions in the state and carry out any other duties that may be assigned by the executive Governor.

Other members of the Committee are Professor Yahaya A. Zakari to serve as Vice Chairman; Alhaji Musa Ahmed Bungudu; Alhaji Jalaluddeen Ibrahim Maradun; Justice Fatima Abubakar Nahuche and Dr. Bashir M. Maru while Alhaji Gazali Shehu Ahmad is to serve as Secretary.

The Chairman of the Committee, Professor Yusuf Adamu, who was a former Director of Strategic Planning Unit of Bayero University and a pioneer Director of BUK Press, expressed appreciation for the nomination and assured that they would work assiduously to discharge their mandate in the most honourable manner. He described the appointment as a recognition of their contribution to making Zamfara a great state.

TGI Visits BUK, Seeks Collaboration

By Fausat Opayomi

A delegation from the Transportation Growth Initiative(TGI), which is a non-governmental organization, had on Thursday, 12th September, 2019, paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor M. Y. Bello, at the VC's Committee Room.

Speaking on behalf of the team, Engineer Dr. Remi Adewunmi from the Nigerian Institute of Transportation Technology (NIIT), Zaria said the main focus of the organization was to bring together researchers, regulators and unions in the transportation related industry in a unified platform so as to provide

scientific solutions to contemporary challenges in the transport industry and to ensure a sustainable transportation system.

In response, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Bello, who was represented by the Director Academic Planning Unit, Professor Bala S. Aliyu, welcomed the team to Bayero University and assured them of University's willingness to collaborate with the organization, especially in the area of research and training. He, however, requested for a proposal from the Transportation Growth Initiative on possible areas of collaboration with Bayero University, Kano.

Others equally present at the visit were Director, Establishment Matters, Mal. Mijinyawa Sabo; Deputy Bursar, Mal. Salisu T. Mukhtar; Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Dr. Abubakar Baba Aliyu; Dean Student Affairs, Dr. Shamsudeen Umar and Professor Hashim Alhassan of the Faculty of Engineering.

BUK Students Urged to be Entrepreneurial... Dean Student Affairs

By Adamu Garba

Undergraduate students of Bayero University have been called upon to practice entrepreneurship and skills acquired, now and after graduation.

The Dean, Student Affairs, Dr. Shamsuddeen Umar, urged the students to do so during a career day organized by the Deanery of Student Affairs on Monday 12th September, 2019 at the newly renovated multipurpose hall in the Deanery.

Dr. Umar said students should look for business opportunities as they could generate income instead of relying on government to provide them with *white colour* jobs. He expressed hope that they would create job opportunities in commercial activities.

Presenting a paper titled: *The Entrepreneurial Journey*, Dr. Najafi Auwalu Ibrahim from the Dangote Business School, BUK revealed various approaches to entrepreneurship and the different types of new enterprises. He further challenged the students to choose the most promising opportunities among the many alternatives.

Earlier, in her opening remarks, the Deputy Registrar in-charge of Student Affairs, Hajiya Anisatu Uwais

Nuhammad, said the career day was organized to encourage the graduates to create their own jobs rather than seek employment by others.

Also, the Students' Guidance and Counselling Officer, Malama Salamatu Waziri Saleh, stated that the programme was a step forward for students to become successful entrepreneurs after graduation.

In her closing remarks, the Deputy Dean (Female Students), Dr. Hajara Umar Sanda, expressed pride with the success of the programme and hoped that the University would tweak the programme further, so that the students who have joined this year would be more proactive in producing products that could be marketed. She thanked the Vice Chancellor for his untiring support to the Students Affairs Division.

A total of 235 students took part in the event. The participants were final year students from various departments of the University.

The programme focused on creating foundation start-ups, nurturing a generation of young technology entrepreneurs, building capacity and creating a platform to attract students to entrepreneurship and to inspire technology innovation.



Cross section of the participants

VC to Assist CRNLT&F on Animated Hausa Films

By Abubakar Yusuf

Vice Chancellor Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello said the University Management would do everything humanly possible to ensure that the Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages, Translation and Folklore completed its project of producing Animated Hausa films.

He disclosed this on Friday, 13th September 2019 in his office when the Centre's committee for producing animated Hausa films paid him a courtesy call.

Professor Bello, who was represented by Deputy Vice Chancellor (Admin), Professor Haruna Wakili, commended the Centre for the project, which, according to him, would help in preserving Hausa language and culture for the benefit of young and future generations. He also commended the Centre for the use of ICT in the project.

Earlier, in his speech, the Director of the Centre who is also the Chairman of the committee of producing the Animated films in Hausa, Professor Aliyu Muazu, said though the Centre was the initiator of the project but it sought the assistance of other people from different departments of the University to ensure the success of the project.

The Director further stated that the Centre in its effort to produce the Animated films in Hausa had signed a MOU with two organizations, who had skill in Animations film production. The organizations, according to him, are Filmeering Media Abuja and Kano Animation and Information Technology.

Professor Muazu called on the University Management to assist the Centre in seeing to the completion of this project.

Security Division Organizes In-house Training Programme for its Personnel

By Mubashir Adamu

The University's Security Division has been commended for their commitment and determination towards ensuring and providing an atmosphere



Cross section of participants during the workshop conducive atmosphere for students and staff.

Speaking on Friday, 13th September, 2019, at the Security Division during the closing ceremony of a 5-day in-house training programme by University Management, the Guest Speaker and Deputy Vice

Chancellor (Administration), Professor Haruna Wakili, represented by University Librarian, Dr. Musa Auyo, said the university's security personnel should be thanked for their outstanding performances recorded over the years, as the university environment was fully patrolled by the security personnel, who were busy playing a vital role in safe guarding the university.

The Guest Speaker challenged the security personnel to improve their duty towards ensuring security and safety in the University environment in order to avoid giving chance to any instance of law breaking.

He also advised them to avoid any negative attitude or truancy in their duties because they were among the top symbols of the university. He observed that doing any negative thing would not only affect the personnel but the university in general.

The Acting Director of Security Division recommended the University Management for all it had been doing to the security unit, which was the secret behind their success over the years.

NAEAP Trains Kano Women Leaders in BUK

By Nura Garba

The Nigerian Association for Educational Administration and Planning (NAEAP) organized a three-day Capacity Building Workshop on Effective Leadership and Management for Women Leaders in Kano State.

The workshop attracted women leaders from ministries, agencies and local governments, which took place at the Convocation Arena of Bayero University, Kano from 11th to 13th September, 2019.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, commended NAEAP for organizing the training and said that he was convinced that the female participants would tremendously benefit from the knowledge and expertise on leadership and management strategies that would be relevant to their different areas of operations as leaders and managers.

Prof Bello stated that Bayero University had regarded NAEAP as one of the most valuable catalysts for the national development, saying that it had fundamental functions to play in the march towards making sure that

leaders, especially in this era, embrace chances and challenges of the dynamism of this 21st century.

Kano State Governor, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, who was represented by the Head of Service, Alhaji Usman Alhaji said the state government was determined to improve and promote the capacity of women in order for them to be good leaders. He commended NAEAP for organizing the training and said his administration would continue to partner with the association.



A cross section of female trainees during NAEAP workshop

Also speaking, the President of NAEAP, Dr. Bello A. Bello, said the training was organized to empower women with the necessary skills and capacity to be come good leaders and managers in Kano State in view of the challenges women face in leadership and management.

He commended the Kano State Government for its support in ensuring that the workshop became a success.

Participants interviewed expressed their happiness over the three-day workshop and urged NAEAP to organize a step-down training for others who hadn't had the opportunity to participate.

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Applications are expected to be submitted within the next 30 days.

SEMINARS

Faculty of Communication: *Faculty Open*

Guest Lecture

Topic: Security Issue Around Social Media Usage in Journalism Related Sector

Guest Speaker: Sadiq Dalhat, Vice Chairman Strategic Resource Centre, Abuja

Chief Host: The Vice Chancellor, Bayero University, Kano, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello

Time: 1:30pm

Date: Thursday 26th September, 2019

Venue: Theater Arts Auditorium, Faculty of Communication, BUK

Department of Special Education: *Proposal Defence*

Presenter 1: Bolatito Mary Ayinde (SPS/16/MSE/00038)

Topic: Teacher's identification and behavior management of Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD) among primary school children in Bichi Local Education Authority of Kano State.

Supervisor: Prof. Gaji F. Dantata

Presenter 2: Auwalu Abdullahi Salihu (SPS/15/MSE/00013)

Topic: Problems of academic performance for visually impaired students in Sa'adatu Rimi College of Education Kumbotso, Kano.

Supervisor: Prof. Jibrin Isa Diso

Presenter 3: Obadofin Tajudeen (SPS/16/MSE/00026)

Topic: The need and relevance of information technology toward the educational development of students with hearing impairment in Bayero University, Kano.

Supervisor: Prof. Kyauta Ibrahim

Presenter 4: Hassan Bukar Adam (SPS/16/MSE/00018)

Topic: Factors influencing the implementation of the inclusive education for pupils with special needs in Kano Metropolis, Kano State.

Supervisor: Ya'u Musa Dantata Ph. D

Date: Tuesday, 24th September, 2019

Time: 10:00am

Department of Special Education: *Internal Defence*

Presenter 1: Abubakar Yahaya Ambursa (SPS/16/MSE/00004)

Topic: Evaluation of collaborative teaching for students with visual impairment in Abdulrashid Adisa Raji Special School, Sokoto.

Supervisor: Prof. Jibrin Isa Diso

Presenter 2: Muhammad Bello Isa (SPS/16/MSE/00042)

Topic: Stress management strategies of pupils with visual impairment in Special Education Center, Bauchi, Bauchi State.

Supervisor: Prof. Jibrin Isa Diso

Presenter 3: Abubakar Bello (SPS/15/MSE/00006)

Topic: Prevalence and educational provision of gifted students at Government Science Secondary School Ganye, Adamawa State.

Supervisor: Prof. Ali T. Abdullahi

Date: Wednesday, 25th September, 2019

Time: 10:00am

Centre For Islamic Civilisation & Interfaith Dialogue

TOPIC: Biblio- Qur'anic Depiction of God, Points of Convergence and Divergence

PRESENTER: Dr. Umar Jibril Gwandu

DISCUSSANT: Dr. Mukhtar Bala Yaya.

Department of Islamic Studies and Sharia, Bayero University Kano.

CHAIRMAN: Dr. Usman Sani Abbass, Deputy Director, Centre for Qur'anic Studies, BUK.

DATE: 23rd September, 2019

VENUE: Centre for Islamic Civilization and Interfaith Dialogue, BUK New Site

TIME: 1:30 – 4pm

Department of Physics: *Notice of Seminar*

Presenter 1: Faruk Sani (SPS/15/PPY/00004)

Topic: Synthesis of Mesoporous Titanium Dioxide (mp-TiO₂) for CH₃H₃SnI₃ Pezouskite Solar Cells.

Chairman: Dr. T.H. Darma
Presenter 2: Khadijah Rabi Muhammad (SPS/17/PPY/00010)
Topic: Building and Characterization of Cadmium Sulphide Free Gigs Solar Cell using SCAPS Software.
Chairman: Prof F.S. Koki
Date: 19th September, 2019
Time: 10:00am
Venue: New Departmental Conference Hall
Department of Geography: PhD Seminar
Presenter 1: Hamidu Dauda

Topic: Water Rights Conflicts and Consequences along River Floodplain: A Review.
Presenter 2: Abdullahi Ali Abdu
Topic: Land Prices and Residential Development in Kano Metropolis, Nigeria
Chairman: Professor Julius Afolabi Falola
Date: Thursday 26th September, 2019
Time: 10:00am
Venue: CB 17, Geography Department
NOTE: Attendance to Seminars is compulsory to all M.Sc I, M.Sc II, PhD I and PhD II Students

Documentation of Base-line Data on Research-related Activities

This is to inform members of the University Community that the Directorate of Research Innovation and Partnership (DRIP) is planning to document base-line information on research, innovation and knowledge transfer activities in the University. The information will help us in assessing the volume and impact of research-related activities of the members of the University community. More importantly, the base-line information will help us

assess achievement and progress in the implementation of the University research agenda on annual basis.

In view of the above, all Deans/Directors, Faculties/School/Institute/Research Centres are requested to ensure their academic research staff provide the relevant information in the Disclosure of Information Form. The form is available for download at www.buk.edu.ng/drip.

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