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SHOWCASE YOURSELVES, VC URGES RESEARCHERS

The Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, **FNSBMB, FAS**, has urged researchers to showcase themselves to bring the institution to world recognition.

The VC who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Oluwole Morenikeji stated this on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at the Postgraduate Students Seminar Series organized by the Centre for Genetic Engineering and



DVC Academic, Prof. Morenikeji (5th from right), DVC Admin, Prof. Sadiku (6th from left), Dr. Saka (6th from right) and participants in a group photograph after the event

Biotechnology, (CGEB), Bosso Campus.

He said the idea of bringing the Ph.D. students together is a welcome development. "If we don't showcase what we have, the world will not know us," he reiterated.

Prof. Akanji noted that the Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology is the arrowhead of research in FUT, Minna and that the state-of-art equipment must be put to utmost use to gain further recognition for the University.

He added that all the professors in the field of Nano-technology mentoring younger scholars leading to sustainable growth in the University. The Vice-Chancellor urged the researchers to publish their results in reputable journals to increase FUT, Minna's visibility on the global map.

Director, CGEB, Dr. Abdulkareem Saka spoke broadly on the Synthesis and Applications of nano particles. He said Nano technology is a promising tool of change in our world today and there is need for Africa nations to give priority to funding of science and technology through research.

According to the Director, this can be achieved through formulation of deliberate government policies, conscious planning that will give priority to research and development in our universities.

Dr. Saka highlighted the achievement of nanotechnology group in FUT, Minna to include a Fulbright Scholar Award (Dr. Tosin Shitu), 3rd position in the last NURESDEF, (Life Science Category), local and international conference presentations and proceedings, public lectures on nano technology development and application, supervision of more than 10 Ph.D. candidates (on going) in the area of application of Nano technology from different departments, training of researchers in the area of development and application of Nanotechnology and various funds award won by members.

He also gave credit to the University Management, Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund), Directorate of Research, Innovation and Development (DRID), FUT, Minna and World Bank STEP-B Project for their support in moving research in the institution to the next phase.

APPOINTMENTS

(i) Chairperson

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointment of **Prof. H. O. Akanya**, Department of Biochemistry as Chairperson, University Health Services Management Board. Other members are:

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| 1. | Dr. A. T. Uthman | - | Director, UHS | Member |
| 2. | Mrs. A. S. D. Usman | Rep. Registrar | | Member |
| 3. | Mr. M. K. Ahmed | | Rep. Bursar | Member |
| 4. | Prof. A. N. Saidu | | Dean, SAD | Member |
| 5. | Prof. S. B. Oyeleke | | Senate Rep | Member |
| 6. | Prof. A. A. Jigam | | Senate Rep. | Member |
| 7. | Dr. I. K. Olayemi | | Cong. Rep. | Member |
| 8. | Dr. (Mrs.) B. A. Adejumo | | Cong. Rep. | Member |
| 9. | One Rep. | | From each School | |
| 10. | One Representative | | of Student Union | |
| 11. | Mrs. Grace Kolo | | Registry Secretary | |

(ii) Visiting

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointments of **Engr. Dr. J. M. Mom**, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, University of Agriculture, Makurdi and **Suleiman Muhammad Sani**, P. O. Box 1518, Yakubu Gowon Way, Kaduna State as Visiting Senior Lecturers to the Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, School of Engineering and Engineering Technology (SEET) for a period of one year each with effect from October 1, 2016 respectively.

NYCN PAYS COURTESY VISIT

The National Youth Council of Nigeria (NYCN) has sought to partner with the Federal University of Technology, Minna in order to reposition youth body.



Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Akanji (L) receiving the frame from Com. Mohammed (R).

This was made known by the new NYCN Vice-President North-Central Zone, Comrade Mohammed A. Mohammed during a courtesy visit to the institution on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at the Vice-Chancellor's Conference room, Main Campus.

The highest youth organization in Nigeria, Comrade Mohammed said, strives to promote empowerment through entrepreneurship that would re-awaken the potentials of our dear nation – Nigeria. "We wish to identify with your organization and seek ways of partnership so as to tap from your wealth of experiences in youth development and empowerment initiatives for the betterment of youths in Niger State as well as Nigeria at large." He stated.

Responding the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, *FNSBMB, FAS*, said that youth constitute more than 65% of the entire population of the country and as such cannot be ignored. He expressed his support for NYCN's effort in taking the youths out of the streets through laudable empowerment programmes.

Prof. Akanji while thanking them for finding time to visit advised the youth to direct their creativity towards self reliance. "When you want collaboration, there's a centre in the University we'll link you up with," the VC said.

To demonstrate their commitment to the change agenda of the government, the youth organization presented a frame to VC with the inscription "**Change Begins with Me**".

37TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF NIAE "MINNA 2016"

Nigerian Institution of Agricultural Engineers (NIAE), cordially invites the University community and the general public to the opening ceremony of its **37th National Conference and Annual General Meeting** scheduled as follows:

Theme: "Agricultural and Bioresources Engineering: Gateway to Diversify Nigeria Oil-Based Economy, Job and Wealth Creation and Environmental Sustainability."

Chairman of the Occasion: Engr. Otis Anyaeji, *FNSE*, President NSE

Keynote Speaker: Alh. Gambo Hamza, The Executive Secretary, Kaduna State Investment Promotion Agency, Government House, Kaduna.

Special Guest of Honour: Alh. (Dr.) Abubakar Sani Bello, Executive Governor of Niger State.

Guest of Honour: Chief Audu Ogbah, Honourable Minister for Agriculture and Rural Development.

Chief Host: Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, *FNSBMB, FAS*, Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna

Host: Engr. Prof. B.A. Adewumi, *FNSE*, National Chairman, NIAE

Date: Wednesday, October 5, 2016.

Time: 11:00am prompt

Venue: Chemical Engineering Complex, Gidan Kwano Campus.

UPGRADING

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the upgrading of **Salihu Omeiza Nasiru**, Department of Mathematics from Graduate Assistant to Assistant Lecturer with effect from June 29, 2016.

COUNSELLING TIP

For you to go far in life achievements, you need to be self-disciplined. Those who are reluctant to be self-disciplined hardly achieve their life expectations.

*Guidance and Counselling Unit,
Students' Affairs Division.*

APPROVED ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR THE 2016/2017 SESSION

FIRST SEMESTER: MONDAY 10TH OCTOBER, 2016 TO SATURDAY 18TH MARCH, 2017, 20 WEEKS (ONLINE REGISTRATION 3 WEEKS; LECTURES 14 WEEKS AND EXAMS 3 WEEKS)

Monday, 10 th October, 2016 – Saturday, 22 nd October, 2016	- Online registration for new students (2 weeks)
Monday, 24 th October, 2016 – Saturday, 29 th October, 2016	- Arrival and Documentation of Fresh students (1 week)
Monday, 24 th October, 2016 – Saturday, 29 th October, 2016	- Online Registration of Returning Students (1 week)
Monday, 31 st October, 2016 – Saturday, 23 rd December, 2016	- Arrival and Documentation of Returning students/ Lectures begin for all students
Monday, 2 nd January, 2017	- Lectures continue for all students
Thursday, 26 th January, 2017	- Matriculation Ceremony of new students (2016/2017 session)
Monday, 30 th January, 2017 – Wednesday, 1 st February, 2017	- Convocation Week
Monday, 13 th February, 2017 – Saturday, 18 th February, 2017	- e-Test (1 week)
Monday, 27 th February, 2017 – Saturday, 4 th March, 2017	- e-Exam for 100 level students and large classes (1 week)
Monday, 6 th March, 2017 – Saturday, 18 th March, 2017	- First Semester Examinations (2 weeks)
Monday, 20 th March, 2017 – Saturday, 3 rd April, 2017	- First Semester Break (2 weeks)
Monday, 3 rd April, 2017 – Friday, 15 th September, 2017	- SIWES (24 weeks) for all Schools with exception of SAAT
Thursday, 13 th April, 2017	- School Boards to consider First Semester Results
Wednesday, 3 rd May, 2017	- Senate to consider First Semester Results

SECOND SEMESTER, 2016/2017- MONDAY, 3RD APRIL, 2017 – SATURDAY, 29TH JULY, 2017, 16 WEEKS (LECTURES 13 WEEKS AND EXAMS 3 WEEKS)

Monday, 3 rd April, 2017	- Lectures commence for all students
Monday, 26 th June, 2017 – Saturday, 1 st July, 2017	- e-Test (1 week)
Monday, 10 th July, 2017 – Saturday, 15 th July, 2017	- e-Exam for 100 Level Students and Large Classes (1 week)
Monday, 17 th July, 2017 – Saturday, 29 th July, 2017	- Second Semester Examination (2 weeks)
Monday, 31 st July, 2017 – Saturday, 16 th September, 2017	- Second Semester Long Vacation Break (6 weeks)
Monday, 7 th August, 2017 – Saturday, 16 th September, 2017	- SWEP/Field Trip (6 weeks)
Monday, 21 st August, 2017	- School Boards to consider Examination Results
Wednesday, 30 th August, 2017	- Senate to consider Second Semester Results
Monday, 2 nd October, 2017	- New Session 2017/2018 begins

Every Wednesday of the week, lectures end at 2:00p.m for sporting activities for all students.

NOTE: *Senate reserves the right to amend this Calendar without prior notice.

AGM! AGM!! AGM!!!

This is to inform the Stakeholders and the general public that FUTMinna Microfinance Bank Ltd will hold her 2nd Annual General Meeting scheduled as follow:

Date: Saturday, October 15, 2016.

Time: 10:00am prompt.

Venue: CPES Hall, Bosso Campus.

APPRECIATION

Mrs. A. S. A. Ndayako, Deputy Registrar and Secretary, School of Engineering and Engineering Technology (SEET) has expressed her appreciation to Council, Senate, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna and the general public for sympathising with her family over the death of her husband, which sad event occurred on Friday, September 9, 2016.

4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

School of Science and Technology Education (SSTE), Federal University of Technology, Minna cordially invites the University community and the general public to the opening ceremony of its **4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE** slated as follows:

Theme: "21st Century Global Changes In Education: Implications For Sustainable Development"

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: Prof. Reynolds Okai, College of Technology Education, University of Education, Winneba, Kumasi, Ghana

LEAD PAPER PRESENTER: Prof. Simon M. Yalams, Department of Vocational and Technology Education, Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi, Bauchi State, Nigeria.

Chief Host: Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, FNSBMB, FAS, Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna.

Time: 10:00am prompt

Date: Tuesday, 4th to Friday, 7th October, 2016

Venue: CPES Complex, Bosso Campus, Minna.

WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY CONFERENCE

Weed Science Society of Nigeria (WSSN), Local Organizing Committee (MINNA 2016) cordially invites the University community and the general public to its **44TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE** slated as follows:

Theme: "Agriculture - An Alternative To Oil-Dependent Nigeria: The Role of WEED Management"

Date: Sunday, 6th - Wednesday, 9th November, 2016

Venue: School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology (SAAT) Complex, Federal University of Technology, Minna.

NOTE: Deadline for submission of WSSN Conference Abstract and advert placement has been extended to Sunday, September 25, 2016.

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Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, September 19 – Friday, September 23, 2016)

N	RECEIPTS	N
1	Collection of Certificate	256,750.00
2	Academic Transcript Fees	230,000.00
3	Clearance Fees	15,000.00
4	Semesterial Result	1,700.00
5	JAMB	5,000.00
6	JAMB Admission Letter	33,000.00
7	Turnintin	200,500.00
8	Post UTME Scratch Card	1,477,500.00
9	Commercial Activities	29,400.00
10	Verification/Confirmation of Certificate	16,000.00
11	Inter University Transfer Form	15,000.00
12	Loss of I.D. card	2,000.00
13	Proficiency in English	2,000.00
14	Post Graduate Fees	371,000.00
15	UPASE -Re- Printing of Result	52,100.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	2,706,950.00
	PAYMENTS	
	(i) Staff	
	(a) Advances	19,099,650.00
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) DHL Int'l Nig. Ltd. - Courier Services	267,561.15
	(b) Summit Legal Consultancy	200,000.00
	(c) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Refreshment	800,400.00
	(d) Association of West African University- Membership	1,340,000.00
	(e) Mobido Ventures	807,500.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	22,515,111.15

CONDOLENCE

The Registrar has on behalf of Council, Senate, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna condoled the following:

- i. Dr. Ajayi Michael Tolupe Adeyemi, Department of Estate Management and Valuation, over the death of his mother, which occurred on Sunday, August 21, 2016.
- ii. Dr. Sadiq M. Sanusi, Department of Agric. Econs. and Extension Technology, over the death of his mother, which occurred on Saturday, September 10, 2016.
- iii. Mr. Oye Opeifa, Hastrup Street, Surulere, Lagos State over the death of his daughter, Miss. Opeifa Omobolanle Adetutu, which sad event occurred on Friday, September 2, 2016. Late Miss. Opeifa Omobolanle Adetutu, until her death was a former student and a volunteer staff of the Campus Radio, Search FM 92.3.

May their gentle souls rest in perfect peace.