

Campus News

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FUTMINNA, GIZ SIGN MOU



Prof. Abdullahi Bala in a hand shake with Beatrice Tschinkel shortly after signing the MoU between the University and GIZ

The Federal University of Technology, Minna and German agency, Deutsche Gesellschaft Fur Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) are to partner in the area of entrepreneurship, business training and coaching for the implementation of start-up business.

This was made known during the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the two parties at the Entrepreneurship Centre, Main Campus on Monday, February 11, 2019.

Speaking during the brief ceremony, the team leader, Beatrice Tschinkel who spoke on behalf of the lead trainer, Edwardo Camela, said the MoU is about implementing the training and coaching programme for people who have a business idea but do not know how to start their business. The MoU, she added, also involves developing a strategy for the Entrepreneurship Centre of the University and linking it up with e-Learning.

She said they want to have a self learning course where anybody on campus and also in general can go through the five modules that have been developed, adding that there is going to be a start-up loop, where part of the training will be done online and the other part will be face to face on the campus.

She added that apart from the students, the University will also look at entrepreneurs from the community around the campus.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof Abdullahi Bala, *fsesn*, expressed excitement with the MoU and appreciated GIZ for their support all these years.

He added that the Centre was not originally planned for but was imposed on the University by the government, but when the Centre came and was provided with funds

for operation, the Management felt the need for GIZ to come in and help.

Prof. Bala said GIZ is here to give guidance as to what to do and beyond the e-Learning, the idea of the start-up came. He added that FUTMinna has a lot of enterprising students and staff and the Management is grateful that GIZ is coming at the right time.

Also speaking at the event, Director, Entrepreneurship Centre, Engr. Prof. Zinash Osunde said, the start-up loop training is for people who want to start business. The training, she said was not for skill acquisition but to make them to be entrepreneurs.

She said the students will pass through training and coaching until they are able to start businesses. The student are the targeted audience and as much as possible they will be using the knowledge they already acquire, like their final year project and every other thing they have learnt, she explained.

Prof. Osunde said the next step is to sign the first start-up loop by putting advert online and the media, calling student, graduates of FUTMinna that are unemployed to apply into the loop.

She said that, it is going to be a one-on-one intensive training and the registration will be on the University website.

CERTIFICATE VERIFICATION EXERCISE IN TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS

Management is in receipt of a letter from National Universities Commission (NUC) referenced NUC/ES/138/VOL.62/247 dated 11th October, 2018 conveying the directives of the Honourable Minister of Education that all Vice-Chancellors of Federal Universities should immediately put in place a mechanism for the verification of certificates tendered by staff for employment, and/or upgrading to identify illegal certificates.

In line with the directive, the Vice-Chancellor has constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration) to carryout the verification of the certificates of all staff in the University.

This is to request you to bring to the notice of all staff in your School/Department/Unit to get ready with original certificates of their educational qualifications tendered for employment or upgrading for verification scheduled to commence in the first week of March, 2019. You are also requested to inform your staff on Study Fellowship, Leave of Absence, Sabbatical or Secondment about the exercise for their necessary action.

ANUPA VISITS MANAGEMENT

Officials of the Association of Nigerian University Professional Administrators (ANUPA), Federal University of Technology, Minna Chapter have paid a courtesy visit to the University Management.



Prof. Bala (Fifth from left), Principal Officers and ANUPA Executives in a group snap shot after the visit

Speaking during the visit on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Abdullahi Bala, *fsssn*, urged them to take the institution to greater heights and pledged the Management's continued support just as he congratulated them for being found worthy by their colleagues for leadership.

He also congratulated Mallam Ibrahim Abdullahi for becoming the Editor-in-Chief of the National Chapter of ANUPA. The Vice-Chancellor further commended the association for securing a position at the national level despite being a university of technology. He prayed for God's guidance and wisdom for them in carrying out their assignment.

Speaking at the event, ANUPA Chairman, Alhaji. (Dr.) Muhammed Babajiya, thanked the University Management for their support and sought for more. He pledged ANUPA's support and corporation to the promotion of the University.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: \$600,000 ZAYED SUSTAINABILITY PRIZE FOR AFRICAN INNOVATORS

Applications are invited for the United Arab Emirate's (UAE's) pioneering global award for rewarding innovation impact and inspiration in sustainable development solutions.

Entries are in the following categories: 1) Health 2) Food 3) Energy 4) Water 5) Global High Schools.

Details are available at: <https://awpnetwork.com/2019/02/apply-600000-zayed-sustainability-prize-for-african-innovators/>

APPOINTMENTS

(i) Acting Dean

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the reappointment of **Prof. S. N. Zubairu**, Department of Architecture as the Acting Dean, School of Environmental Technology with immediate effect until election is conducted and a substantive Dean is appointed for the School.

(ii) HOD

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointment of **Dr. Suleimon Adebayo Bashir**, as the Head, Department of Computer Science for a period of one year with effect from January 7, 2019.

(iii) Coordinator

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the reappointment of **Dr. Thomas O. Alabi**, Department of Educational Technology as Coordinator, Bus Park for a period of one year, with effect from January 7, 2019.

(iv) Visiting

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the renewal of Visiting appointment of **Dr. K. U. Orisakwe**, as a Visiting Senior Lecturer to the Department of Surveying and Geoinformatics for a period of one year, with effect from January 1, 2019.

NEWS FROM AL-HALAL

This is to inform members of Al-Halal Cooperative Multipurpose Society that their personal statements of account for the year ended December, 2018 are ready for collection at the Society's Secretariat, Bosso Campus.

Members are therefore advised to collect their statements and report any observations not later than Monday, February 25, 2019.

They are to note that failure to report any errors observed within the stipulated time may affect the calculation of their dividends.

LIST OF NEW ARRIVALS

S/N	Author/Editors	Title	Publisher	Year of Publication
1	D. Izebaye	A Handbook For Nigerian Creative Writers	NAL	2013
2	M. Makinde	Nigeria in Evolution	=	=
3	B. Olatunji	Nigerian Elections in Historical Perspective	=	2012
4	M. Makinde	Ethical Dimensions of Citizenship	=	2015
5	M. Makinde	Nigeria's Cultural Tapestry	=	2013
6	A. Festus	Religion, Ethnicity and Citizenship	=	2017
7	B. Olatunji	Reflections on the Humanities in Nigeria	=	2011
8	M. Makinde	The Humanities and Societal Change	=	2016
9	M.A. Gulma	Predicting The Third Millennium	KADIQ INT	2004
10	B. Ettah	International of Economic Development Research and Investment vol:2 NO 2	ICIDR	2011
11	A. Bode	The Law, The Prospects and The Challenges Banking Reform in Nigeria	J.A	2018
12	Y. O. Imam	Dynamics of Revealed Knowledge and Human Sciences	SPECTRUM	2016
13	A. Sa'idu	Resurgent Nigeria Issues in Nigerian Intellectual History	UNIPRESS	2011
14	Mike. I	Nigeria Maritime Cabotage Policy and Law	OUTCL	2006
15	Gideon S.	The many Colours of A Rainbow: A Bibliography of Sen. A(H)MADU A. ALI	TAMAZA	2017
16	UNODC	Cases and Materials in Extradition in Nigeria	UNA	2016
17	UN	Bibliography of Corruption in Nigeria	UNA	=
18	Femi. O	Contemporary State Land Matters in Nigeria	SP Ltd	2003
19	Femi. O	Femi. Okunu: In the Services of the Nation	SP Ltd	2010

Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, January 28, - Friday, February 1, 2019)

N	RECEIPTS	N
1	Collection of Certificate	12,130,500.00
2	Transcript	570,000.00
3	Campus Radio	21,100.00
4	Turnitin	13,000.00
5	Verification/Confirmation of Certificate	2,000.00
6	Clearance Fees	2,310,000.00
7	Proficiency in English	6,000.00
8	Diploma Certificate	24,500.00
9	Tender Fees	300,000.00
10	Hostel Fees	270,000.00
11	Teaching Practice	12,000.00
12	Replacement of I.D. Card	4,500.00
13	Letter of Introduction	8,000.00
14	Purchase of Academic Gown	30,000.00
15	Certification of Cert.	2,000.00
16	Semesterial Result	1,500.00
17	Acceptance Fees	60,000.00
18	Post Graduate School Fees	1,724,000.00
19	Pre Degree Forms	47,250.00
20	Under Graduate School Fees	1,597,700.00
21	Pre Degree School Fees	1,721,500.00
22	Scratch Card	500.00
23	Personnel Grant from Abuja	331,583,867.86
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	352,439,917.86
	PAYMENTS	
24	Contractors/Suppliers	
	(i) Staff	
	(a) Salary	397,718,123.41
	(b) Advance	3,389,544.00
	(c) Refund	9,723,063.00
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) Nipost Niger State - Courier Services	269,979.50
	(b) Doko Int'l Hotels Ltd. - Bill	141,000.00
	(c) " " "	49,030.00
	(d) AEDC - Electricity Bill	3,847,343.09
	(e) Shalmeen Links Technologies - Diesel Supply	3,291,750.00
	(f) " " "	3,291,750.00
	(g) " " "	3,291,750.00
	(h) FUT Staff School - PTA Levy	1,695,000.00
	(i) Princess Az-Zahra Lodge - Hotel Bill	611,600.00
	(j) The Summit Chamber - Legal Fees	2,275,000.00
	(k) G04 Hosting Simplified - Subscription	2,040,000.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	431,634,933.00

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Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, February 4, - Friday, February 8, 2019)

N/S	RECEIPTS	N
1	Collection of Certificate	1,377,000.00
2	Transcript	525,000.00
3	Campus Radio	7,200.00
4	Turnitin	4,000.00
5	Verification/Confirmation of Certificate	46,000.00
6	Clearance Fees	132,000.00
7	Proficiency in English	18,000.00
8	Diploma Certificate	21,000.00
9	Tender Fees	225,000.00
10	Hostel Fees	350,000.00
11	Teaching Practice	6,000.00
12	Replacement of I.D. Card	2,500.00
13	Letter of Attestation	2,000.00
14	Commercial Activities	22,800.00
15	Statement of Result	2,000.00
16	Semesterial Result	400.00
17	Acceptance Fees	40,000.00
18	Post Graduate School Fees	1,202,550.00
19	Pre Degree Forms	26,250.00
20	Under Graduate School Fees	2,888,150.00
21	Pre Degree School Fees	547,750.00
22	Scratch Card	500.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	7,446,100.00
	PAYMENTS	
23	Contractors/Suppliers	
	(i) Staff	
	(a) Advance	18,240,370.00
	(c) Refund	1,385,860.00
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) Ummul Abiha Nig. Ltd. - Construction	30,534,412.30
	(b) Gridtech Construction Co. Ltd. - Construction	6,500,000.00
	(c) Datatek Intergrated Services Ltd. - Supply	14,124,520.30
	(d) Yusal Tele View Nig. Ltd. - Construction	44,580,375.00
	(e) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Refreshment	397,400.00
	(f) FUTMIN Venture Ltd - Overhead Jan.	886,800.00
	(g) The Rock Press Ventures - Printing	998,000.00
	(h) Ben Samson Global - Subscription	809,403.80
	(i) Adex Akanmi Nig. Ent. - Supply	199,500.00
	(j) Abu Yahaya Nig. Ent. - Repairs	131,300.00
	(k) O. Oladejo - Supply of Newspapers	4,600.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	118,792,541.40

CONDOLENCE

The Registrar has, on behalf of Management, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna condoled **Usman Aishat Doko**, Department of Quantity Surveying over the death of her husband, which occurred recently.

May his gentle soul rest in peace.