The Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Akure Professor Adebiyi Daramola has described the Institution has the envy of others in the nation. He made this known when the Alumni Association of the University in the diaspora paid him a courtesy call.

Daramola represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic, Professor Adedayo Fasakin said “This University through the dynamic leadership of the Vice-Chancellor, a great visionary leader is moving forward. Professor Daramola has truly placed FUTA in the global market. The University which is very active in collaborating with world class Universities, has a strong and vibrant alumni base with good feedback from the labour market about our products. Even those who go on Industrial Attachment always do us proud. These achievements have made us the envy of other Universities in the country. They keep asking us how we are doing it. We are good example to other Universities in Nigeria because we always have good stories to tell”.

“Our collaboration with the Florida Agriculture and Mechanical University [FAMU] is yielding dividends. We sent six students for Undergraduate and Postgraduate programmes last year and FAMU is asking us to send ten more this year. This is because of the quality of our products currently studying there. We always have the pressure of request from world class institutions. We are not relenting as a growing University. Our target is to surpass our current level as the best University of Technology in Nigeria and become one of the best ten in Africa. We know this is achievable with God. Also it is achievable with the support of groups like yours”. Fasakin said. Speaking further, Fasakin commended the initiative of the Alumni Association in
collaborating with FUTA Advancement Centre to organize a seminar for final year students on how to position themselves for the future.

Fasakin said “We are proud of what you are doing as give-back to your Alma mata. We want your input all the time. We always want to see you around, to celebrate you because you are one of the stakeholders. We urge you to organize a programme during the convocation period to inaugurate graduating students into your fold. This will increase our alumni base as you will be able to catch them young. We also want your innovative contributions. Let us work together to further move FUTA forward. We promise you our utmost support because we are sure you will not disappoint us.”

Earlier, the National President, FUTA Alumni Association, Mr. Akin Aina had praised the management of FUTA led by Professor Daramola for doing a great job to sell FUTA to the world. Aina said “Thank you for doing a good job here. FUTA has a high rating locally and internationally. This has also positively affected our association because anywhere we go we walk with our head high. As our social responsibility to our Alma mata, we decided to organize a seminar by bringing in FUTA products who are trail blazers in their different fields back into the system to support your good work.”

A FUTA alumnus and member of Council representing the Alumni, Professor Jonathan Onyekwelu said “The reason why we brought out colleagues in diaspora her is for them to see the transformation here. When they came, they were amazed at what they saw on ground which further encouraged them.”

Director of FUTA Advancement Centre, Dr. Bayo Aborisade enjoined the leader of the Alumni not to relent in spreading the good tidings about the University to others. “In Advancement Centre we believe the greatest development and most sustainable partner we can have is the alumni. We are proud of you and urge you to do more. We know that as long as our products are proud of their Alma mata they will do a lot for us. That is why the University is investing heavily in our students to become great in the future such that we can relate together to take the University to greater heights. We implore you to positively use your influence to attract
more of your colleagues and friends into the association. Tell them FUTA keep making giant strides and they need to be involved.

Mr. Akin Aina (National President) led Professor Jonathan Onyekwelu (Alumni Representative in Council), Mr. Kola Azeez (Regional Manager, Globacom), Mr. Innocent Oseghe (Managing Partner, Human Capital Partners) and Mr. Yomi Fawehinmi (Chevron) to the meeting with the University management.