The Federal University of Technology, Akure, as part of the ongoing move to reposition the institution for better service delivery in all areas of its operations, recently held a three day Strategic Management retreat at the Ikogosi Warm Springs Resort Centre for key members of its management staff. The retreat, under the aegis of the Vice Chancellor, Professor Adebiyi Daramola, gave participants the opportunity to buy into and brainstorm on the effective implementation of the new vision, mission and core value of the institution which was recently approved by the Senate and Council.

At the retreat, Prof. Olufemi Bamiro, former Vice-Chancellor University of Ibadan and Pro-Chancellor, Tai Solarin University of Education gave the Key Note Address while Dr. Nathan Tirosh, Director, Galilee International Management Institute, Israel led a workshop on “Strategy Management Planning”. Professor Bamiro in his address stated that a well thought out strategic plan was necessary for any nation or organization to advance. He said a strategic plan was fundamental process of making a university a cynosure of other organizations because of its critical role in research, intellectual applications and development of critical manpower for the progress of nations. He described the Workshop as a step in the right direction that would strengthen the service delivery of FUTA and firm up its national and global relevance.
Dr. Nathan Tirosh dwelt on the need for an understanding of what Universities should be, what needed to be done to attain the required status and as well as the engagement of strategic thinking in planning that allows leaders to explore and translate core values, vision and missions to concrete reality. Dr Tirosh said he was enthralled by the fact that the students' body was represented at the retreat. He said by making the students party to the decision making and implementation process FUTA has set a unique paradigm which other institutions should emulate.

The workshop also had a technical session where a road map that would lead to the realization of the vision, mission and core values that would ultimately make FUTA world-class university with highly sought after graduates, leading-edge research, contributions to technological advancement and society was adopted.

Earlier, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Daramola during the formal presentation of the new vision, mission and core values of the University said the new charter of service would make FUTA a benchmark of academic excellence. He told participants which included Principal Officers, directors, head of units, leaders of various unions and representatives of the students union to ensure that other members of the University community buy into the new charter and become worthy ambassadors of the institution by becoming agents of change in their places of assignment and service.

THE NEW VISION, MISSION and CORE VALUES

The Federal University of Technology Akure, Nigeria.

Clearer Vision!

Better Strategies!!

VISION
To be a world-class University of Technology and a Centre of Excellence in training, research and service delivery.

MISSION

To promote technological advancement by providing conducive environment for research, teaching and learning which engenders development of products that are technologically oriented, self-reliant and relevant to society.

CORE VALUES

The University's Core Value with the acronym "ICARE" standing for:

Integrity:

Commitment to the promotion of ethical values such as credibility, honesty, hard-work and dignity.

Creativity and Innovativeness:

Commitment to encouraging creative thinking, innovation and dynamism in the achievement of institutional objectives.

Accountability:

Ensuring that the values of accountability are imbibed and practiced by every member of the community

Rationality:

Over-arching commitment to always seek the best solution to issues, ensuring the satisfaction of the wider proportion of patriotic interest and efficient resources mobilization.

Excellence:

Pursuit of outstanding performance, abhorring mediocrity and promoting excellence in research, teaching and service through a merit based recruitment and nurturing of staff and students.