The growing internationalization of the Federal University of Technology Akure, FUTA, got another fillip recently with the visit of James Momoh, Professor of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, from Howard University, Washington, United States of America. The erudite professor, who is also a Director in Howard, was in Akure for exploratory talks on a Memorandum of Understanding, MoU, between both institutions. Momoh said he was in FUTA as a follow up to the visit to Howard by FUTA Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebiyi Daramola, and to work out modalities that will kick start the collaboration between both institutions in the areas of academic, staff and students development.

Receiving the visitor, Professor Adebiyi Daramola said the visit of Momoh indicated the readiness of the authorities of the Howard University to collaborate with and deepen its relationship with FUTA, a development that will put FUTA in a vantage position among its peers in the world. He said collaboration and partnership with renowned universities and institutions from across the world was being done to reposition FUTA and make it become a major player in the field of technological education not just in Nigeria but also in the World. Professor Daramola said the collaboration with Howard will open opportunities to staff and students of FUTA to become the best they can be. He therefore encouraged staff and students of FUTA to take full advantage of the opportunities that will be encapsulated in the memorandum of Understanding. Under the terms of the agreement, the two institutions will collaborate on academic development and staff training. It will also give opportunities for post doctoral fellowship and other exchange programs for staff and students.