



# FUTA NEWS

## **FUTA, UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE SIGN MoU**

In a collaborative effort that will further boost the image of the University locally and internationally and spur staff and students to excel in research and development, the Federal University of Technology, Akure has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Delaware, United States of America. The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebisi Daramola and Dean, College of Engineering, University of Delaware Professor Babatunde Ogunnaike signed on behalf of their institutions. The MoU will give staff and students opportunity to develop better through knowledge sharing and skill development which will engender connection and cultural integration through exchange programmes for both lecturers and students of both Institutions.

Professor Daramola who expressed delight at the development said “I see research collaborations between scholars of FUTA and the University of Delaware. The collaboration will benefit staff and students, advance our laboratories and make them locations where cutting edge research that will influence the continent can be carried out”.

Speaking relatedly, Professor Ogunnaike said that it was time for a joint frontier between African and American engineers. He said FUTA has the potentials of becoming a world class University of Technology and that under the terms of the MoU lecturers will be trained in problem-based learning and teaching processes and that they will be part of a teaching fellowship aimed at teaching lecturers how to teach students to adequately develop them.

On his part the Director of the Centre for Renewable Energy Technology, (CRET), Professor Olurinde Lafe said that FUTA has an enabling environment to pilot the content of the memorandum stating that CRET demonstrates Nigeria’s research prowess in working outside the laboratory to influence the society.