To solidify collaboration first rate institutions in the area of Research and Development, the Federal University of Technology, Akure recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Engineering Materials Development Institute (EMDI) Akure, Ondo State.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebiyi Daramola expressed his delight with the development saying the MoU will expand the frontiers of critical research in the areas of engineering and technology. According to him, FUTA and EMDI have been working together informally over the years and concretizing the association would further ensure a better working relationship.

Daramola said “I am delighted this MoU is formalized and actualized today. EMDI has a very good reputation locally and internationally. I believe a combination of your good reputation and ours will further benefit our nation in the area of Research and Development. The equipment you have and our facilities can be used for critical research. This is the beginning of greater things to happen between FUTA and EMDI to the benefit of our nation”.

Director, EMDI, Engineer (Dr.) O.O Olusunle who led his team comprising other Directors and senior officials of the organization said “We need to synergize to move this nation forward. The Vice-Chancellor initiated this relationship and we are happy it has materialized today. FUTA has a good reputation and lots of achievements. We are
proud to identify with your institution because our nation needs the expertise which FUTA and EMDI can give.

Speaking earlier, Acting Director, Centre for Research and Development (CERAD), Dr. P.G Oguntude., said “FUTA and EMDI need to work together for a win-win symbiotic relationship. I believe this will benefit the two organizations and Nigeria.”