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BRUME QUALIFIES FOR RIO OLYMPICS AS FUTA HOSTS AFN GOLDEN LEAGUE FINAL

Ese Brume, the country's leading female long jumper, will be hoping to win Gold Medal for self and country when the Olympics Games gets underway later in the year in Rio, Brazil. The Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Gold medalist got the ticket for the Rio Games at the finals of the Nigeria's Golden League organised by the Athletics Federation of Nigeria, AFN which took place at the sports centre of the Federal University of Technology Akure, FUTA on Monday June 6 , 2016. Brume jump of 6.83m in the long jump event was better than Olympic qualification mark of 6.70m. The petit athlete, if everything goes right , will aim to equate the standard set by Policewoman Chioma Ajunwa who beat other contestants from across the world to win the women Long Jump Gold medal at the 1996 Olympic in Atlanta Georgia. Other athletes who shone brightly at the Golden League final in FUTA include Divine Oduduru who won the men's 100 and 200 meters event , Patience George who beat other to win the women 400 metres and Orukpe Erayokuan who won the men 400m metres. The Athletes who distinguished themselves in Akure will form the core of the country's representatives at the CAA African Senior Championship billed for Durban in South Africa from June 22 to 26. An official of the AFN, Mr. Olukayode Thomas commended FUTA for successfully hosting the competition for the past three years saying the facilities for athletics completion in FUTA is commendable. " Compared with what I have seen so far around higher institutions in the country, including the first generation universities, FUTA has wonderful facility for athletics the authority should ensure adequate maintenance to ensure sustainability," Mr. Thomas said. Director of Sports of FUTA Alayode Ajibua said the sports Centre is under firm instruction from the Vice Chancellor to ensure regular maintenance of the facility and its release for use

. The Vice Chancellor , Professor Adebisi Daramola said the university will continue to put its sporting facilities at the disposal of AFN and other related bodies as its contributions to sports development and also to serve as encouragement to budding sportsmen and women in the university by exposing them to top flight competitions.