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## **CERAD ORGANIZES WORKSHOP ON EFFECTIVE RESEARCH WRITING**

The academic community will become more relevant when the society is positively impacted through the products of research work. The Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Professor Adebisi Daramola made the assertion while declaring open the 2016 workshop on Research and Proposal Writing with the theme: Graftsmanship. “Coaching Researchers to write successful grant proposal” organized by the Centre for Research and Development (CERAD)

Professor Daramola who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academic Professor Olatunde Arayela, said the workshop was taking place at a critical time of national development when the academia needed more empowerment and sensitization on how to put up consistently favourable research proposals that would attract grants and supports from both the local and international agencies and organizations. Daramola pointed out that Nigeria and especially the University community comprises professionals endowed with great intellectual ability to compete with the best in the world, hence it was imperative to develop and equip them with contemporary and relevant ideas which would expose them to the secrets of writing winning research grant proposals.

The Vice-Chancellor said the Centre for Research and Development (CERAD) is fulfilling its mandate by developing the intellectual horizon of the academics in research activities through organization of lectures and workshops and urged the Director not to rest on his oars in turning the Centre into a hub of activities.

Welcoming participants to the workshop the Director CERAD, Professor Ayorinde Olufayo said the idea of the workshop was to explore and give insight into what constitutes a fundable idea, what reviewers are looking for, how to write a persuasive case for funding and how to get rid of some bad habits of academic prose. He urged participants to avail themselves of the several benefits of the workshop to equip themselves with the necessary tools and techniques for use in the research process.

Participants were exposed to the following topics: Overview of Graftsmanship, Elements/Characteristics of a good research proposal, Research questions and creating effective specific objectives in grant proposals, Proposal review/assessment criteria and national and international funding sources.

Facilitators at the workshop include seasoned Professionals : Director, International Office, Professor Afolabi Akindahunsi, Director, Academic Planning, Professor Oyedapo Fagbenro, former Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebisi Balogun, Dean, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology, Professor Shedrack Akindele, Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies, Professor Moses Ajewole, Director Advancement Centre, Professor Peter Aborisade, Director, CERAD, Professor Ayorinde Olufayo and Associate Director, CERAD, Professor Phillip Oguntunde.