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TETFUND APPOINTS ALETOR COMMITTEE MEMBER

The Tertiary Education Trust Fund [TETFund] has appointed Professor Valentine Aletor as a member of its standing Committee on Research and Development.

In a letter conveying the appointment to Aletor, the Executive Secretary TETFund, Professor Suleiman Bogoro wrote “I am pleased to inform you that you have been appointed a member of the TETFund Standing Committee on Research and Development [TSCR & D]. I hope you will bring your wealth of experience to bear in the discharge of this all-important national assignment as it is a clarion call to the service of our dear country.”

TSCR & D is a special Committee of TETFund charged with the responsibility of driving the policy of the Fund in respect of support for, and institutionalization of Research and Development (R & D) in mainly the tertiary institutions and ultimately in the industry and economy, thereby strengthening the nations technological and economic competitiveness.

According to Bogoro, the R & D Standing Committee, which membership include some of the best researchers, innovators and representatives of the relevant agencies within the country and in diaspora is expected to interface with tertiary institutions and industry on R & D as well as offering advice to government on how to build, diversify and sustain a knowledge economy for the country. He further said that the Committee’s activities are expected to herald a paradigm shift by promoting applied research and product development, rather than only basic research which has made the research community and the economy less competitive.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebisi Daramola has congratulated Professor Aletor, saying his appointment

justifies his inherent potential as a world class researcher. He also urged him to be a good ambassador of the University by carrying out his assignment with diligence and total commitment to the service of the nation. Reacting to the development, Professor Aletor wrote “It is my hope that the above platform will provide an opportunity for me to contribute to enhance R & D capability of the University and the nation at large”. Professor Aletor will serve for three years in the first instance.