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Fundraising

CLASS OF 2007 VISITS FUTA, PLEDGES SUPPORT

Class 2007 Alumni of the Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA) has promised to renovate one of the structures in the University. Members of the Set stated this through their representatives who paid the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Joseph Fuwape a courtesy call.



The spokesperson for the group, Dr. (Mrs) Adejoke Kolawole appreciated the development the University has attained amongst

its peers in the comity of higher institutions globally. She thanked the Management and FUTA for the knowledge that was imparted in them as undergraduates. She said members of the Class of 2007 will continue to contribute to the development of their Alma Mata saying the renovation is to signal their readiness to give back to FUTA.

In a remark, the FUTA Alumni President worldwide, Mr. Adesomoju Olaitan said one of the first things he did upon assuming office was to harvest the information on opportunities in the Alumni and part of the dividend it is yielding is the project to be embarked upon by class of 2007. Responding, Professor Fuwape described the initiative as a good development worthy of emulation by other Sets. He particularly commended the effort of the Alumni President for his continuous dexterity and innovativeness since he came into office.



Professor Fuwape said giving back to the system is the way to exhibit relevance and contribute to the growth and development of their source. Messrs. Oyedeji Olumide, Ariyo Henry Ayodeji and Mrs. Kolade-Olubo came with Mrs. Kolawole on the Visit.

FUTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REFURBISHES HOSTEL IN ALMA MATER

The Alumni Association of the Federal University of Technology Akure, FUTA has refurbished one of the oldest hostels in the institution as part of its "Giving Back to the Alma Mater Scheme". The renovation of the Section of the Akindeko Hall which costs over N4 Million included the total overhauling of the electrical system, new fittings and tiles, provision of modern conveniences, plastering and repainting of walls and ceilings thereby making it better habitable for students. The Alumni President, Mr. Olaitan Adesomoju who coordinated the project said "Futarians are known for achieving great feats and this is one of them". He noted that to whom much is given much is expected, emphasizing that they had been given much hence they were giving the same measure back to the institution that made them. He commended members of the Alumni Association for their support that made the renovation possible. Adesomoju reiterated the need for government to be more involved in the provision of facilities to aid learning nationwide while promising that the Association will continue to contribute to the development of FUTA.



Commissioning the project, the immediate past Governor, Ondo State, who is also an alumnus of FUTA, Dr. Olusegun Mimiko

advocated for investment in the intellectual resources of the nation. Mimiko said the greatest assets of a nation are its intellectual resources rather than its natural resources as hitherto assumed, hence the urgent need to invest in them. He said, “every Nigerian child must have access to education, while tertiary education must be affordable for all who desire it.” He also noted that the time had come for Nigerians to stop being consumers of technology and emerge as innovators. Dr Mimiko said “I have followed the exploits of this Institution. You have scaled the hurdles of being the best University of Technology in Nigeria and I am optimistic that you will be the best in Africa in the nearest future”. Commending the alumni on the gesture of renovation, he said “this is a memorial to your name. This will also instil the virtue of giving back in the benefiting students”.



Earlier, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Joseph Fuwape commended the Alumni for the gesture of giving back and said that FUTA Alumni are pacesetters who always make the Institution proud. Appreciating the Alumni, the Hall chair, Ibrahim Raji expressed deep gratitude and commended the University Management for creating the enabling environment for Alumni to contribute their quota to the welfare and well-being of current students.

Alumni Relations

FUTA ALUMNA SHINES AT ENTREPRENEURSHIP COMPETITION

Oluwaseunla Adelusi, an alumna of the Federal University of Technology, Akure, (FUTA) has been selected as one of the winners of the 2018 Goshen Fund Business Competition under the aegis of the Kingdom Summit and International Marketplace Economics and Leadership Conference. The Summit, which centred on Empowering the Next Generation of Entrepreneurs incorporated a competition for budding youngsters and those interested in business start-ups.



Over 200 applicants from different parts of Nigeria participated in the rigorous procedure that involved an online application and follow-up interview sessions for the shortlisted applicants.

Adelusi scaled through all the procedures and emerged as the third best for her efforts, she was selected to undergo a six-month mentorship program after which she would access funds to finance her business. She was also given N125, 000 for being the 3rd best applicant.

Adelusi is a promising young lady; during her time at FUTA, she represented the University at Debate competitions, she held leadership positions and was the first girl to contest for the position of Student Union President in over a decade. She graduated amongst the top students from the Metallurgical and Materials Engineering Department.

FUTA ALUMNUS WINS BIG AT BUSINESS START UP COMPETITION



Ajiroghene Omanudhowo who graduated from the Federal University of Technology, Akure where he studied Industrial Chemistry has emerged the First Runner Up in the

FIIRO House TV Reality Show Season One sponsored by the Ministry of Science and Technology and Federal Institute of Industrial Research, Oshodi (FIIRO), February 2019. For coming second Omanudhowo will get N15 Million which will be ploughed into the business design that won him the award for the purchase of machinery, space, technology and a little running capital. Omanudhowo’s winning business proposal entails the recycling of plastic waste into furniture, chair and desks, for primary and secondary schools. 25 Housemates across Nigeria were selected for the FIIRO House; Africa’s First Industrial TV Reality TV Show which began in October 2018.

FUTA ANTHEM

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Ever winning, ever leading, ever peaceful
Advancing the cause of technology.
FUTA.... Land of ancient landmarks!
FUTA... For national progress!!
Academic excellence is your tradition
Technology for self-reliance

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FUTA ALUMNUS DONATES BOOK

Dr. Akinyele Olumuyiwa Oni, a US based alumnus of the Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA) has made a donation of Textbooks to the department of Biochemistry in the Institution.

Dr. Oni, while making the donation stated that his desire to donate to his Alma-Mater stems from the impact that the institution made in his life in shaping him to be who he is today, he promised further donation as well as serving as a global ambassador for the institution in his capacity as an Alumnus.

University

**FUTA FORMER CHANCELLOR,
EMIR OF LAFIA IS DEAD**



The Emir of Lafia and former Chancellor of FUTA, Alhaji (Dr) Isa Mustafa is dead.

The former Chancellor died on Thursday, 10th January, 2019

following an illness. He was 84. The Vice Chancellor Professor Joseph Fuwape said the former Chancellor contributed significantly to the development of the University. He described him as a lover of education and peace builder who worked assiduously to ensure the growth of the University.

**206 BAG FIRST CLASS AS FUTA
HOLDS 29TH AND 30TH
CONVOCATION CEREMONIES**

206 students bag first class honours degree at the recently concluded Federal University of Technology Akure combined 29th and 30th Convocation Ceremonies for the 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 academic sessions which was held between Friday November 23rd and 30th 2018.



No fewer than 6,000 students graduated, Mr. Adebodun Tope Samuel of the Department of Applied Geophysics graduated as the best student with the highest Cumulative Grade Point Average of (CGPA) of 4.91 in the 2016/2017 academic session while Olanrewaju Funke of the Department of Food Science and Technology was the best graduating student in the 2017/2018 Academic Session with Cumulative GPA of 4.91



Breaking down the class of degrees, 206 students finished in the First-Class division, 1,933 with Second Class Upper, 1,875 Second Class Lower, 725 Third Class and 61 in the Pass division. Also, 138 were awarded Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), 996 with Masters Degrees, 570 with Postgraduate Diplomas, while Masters in Space Science and Technology programmes have 13 graduands.

Three eminent Nigerians were also conferred with FUTA's prestigious honorary degrees in recognition of their contributions to the development of the nation in their different areas of endeavor. They are:

1. Engr Akinwumi Odumakinde, the President, Impact Leadership Academy (a capacity building network for the youth) and Managing Director, DeltaAfrik;
2. Dr Lawrence Olusegun Aina, a former President of the Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria (CIBN) and current Chairman of the University's Advancement Board;
3. Oba Dr Olufemi Olutoye, JP, OFR, Alani of Ido- Ani, the traditional ruler of Ido Ani Kingdom and a retired Major General of the Nigerian Army.



A number of projects including the new undergraduate female and male hostel, 25km Campus Wide Fibre Optics Cable equipment, Students Archival Project (e- Senate Project) and Energy Kiosk were also commissioned in the course of the ceremonies.

The week-long ceremony which began on Friday 23rd November, 2018 climaxed with the formal Award of Certificates, Diplomas and First Degrees on Thursday 29th and Award of Postgraduate Diplomas, Master's Degrees, Doctorate Degrees and Conferment of Honorary Degrees on Friday 30th November at the University Main Auditorium.

**FUTA MOURNS ITS PRO
CHANCELLOR, SENATOR JOSEPH
WAKU**



The Federal University of Technology Akure, (FUTA) has learnt of the death of its Pro Chancellor and Chairman of Governing Council, Senator Joseph Waku, whose demise occurred on February 4, 2019 at the National Hospital, Abuja. Reacting to the incident, the Vice -Chancellor, Professor Joseph Fuwape, described it as a sad occurrence especially at a time when the Pro Chancellor had settled into his role of steering the ship of the University to greater heights.

He said Waku, 72, who became the Pro-Chancellor at a very challenging time, through deft managerial skills ensured the stability of the institution and resolution of a lingering crisis. He described him as a patriot who contributed significantly to national development at various levels and during his stint as a member of the Nigerian Senate between 1999 and 2003.

"Our University will miss his leadership, wise counsel, camaraderie and peace building efforts. On behalf of Council, Senate, Staff and students of FUTA, I express our heartfelt condolence to the family and the people of Benue State over this irreparable loss. May the Good Lord grant his family, FUTA, and his friends and associates the fortitude to bear this irreparable loss. And may the good Lord grant him eternal repose," Professor Fuwape said.

Senator Joseph Waku was appointed the Pro Chancellor and Chairman, Governing Council of FUTA by the Federal Government on May 9, 2017 and served in that capacity until his death on Sunday, February 3, 2019.

Training/Workshop

FUTA ALUMNUS WANTS UNIVERSITIES TO BE MORE ACTIVE IN TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS

A director with Nigeria Independent Schlumberger and an alumnus of the Federal University of Technology Akure, FUTA, Nosa Omorodion, has stated that institutions of higher learning should become hubs for innovations in order to realize the country's quest for economic diversification and multi sectoral development. This was the focal point of his address at a Lecture organized by the FUTA Alumni Association Worldwide as part of its 2018 Convention on Wednesday, 27th November 2018 in Akure, Ondo State.

In the lecture titled "Navigating the Global Energy Transition; What it Means for



Nigeria' Omorodion reiterated that Artificial Intelligence Technologies are currently the main tools for technological advancement. He noted that Universities around the world are responding to these changes and making giant strides. Omorodion noted that the time has come for FUTA and other Universities in the country to latch on to this area and prove their worth as true knowledge – based institutions.

He said Nigerian Universities should take advantage of emerging opportunities in the area of artificial intelligence with partnerships across borders and deploying high- tech courses across digital platforms. He said with FUTA's track record of excellence it should lead and prove its worth and shine in the comity of higher institutions with innovations and technological breakthroughs that will solve the country's energy and other challenges. He advised that higher institutions of learning in the country should take advantage of current global development in energy and related fields. He

said that Energy Transition is real, and that population growth will remain constant as such proffering solutions to emerging issues in the energy sector will make Universities more relevant to society. He said "Hydrocarbon" will continue to be a major source of natural fuel and energy despite the intense focus on renewable energy. Listing the achievements of FUTA as an institution, he challenged the authority and students of the institution to do more and to explore the available opportunities in Ondo State as a state with longest coastline of 90km demonstrating a huge potential for beach resort and mineral deposit that are available for exploration and exploitation in crude oil, Natural gas, bitumen, limestone, kaolin amongst others.

He challenged the institution to research into these areas and take its findings and technology breakthroughs to investors, which he said will in turn change the University's fortune. He expressed optimism that FUTA will continue to play a more prominent role in accelerating the development of Ondo State and solving Nigeria's energy and economic challenges. Omorodion praised members of the Academic staff Union of Universities (ASUU) for their doggedness in demanding for necessary learning tools in the University system while challenging them to look inward and ensure that they do their best through innovations and technological breakthroughs rather than expecting government to do everything.

In his remark at the occasion, the Alumni president, Comrade Adesomoju Olaitan described alumni associations as a veritable tool for the development of their alma mater. He said FUTA Alumni Association Worldwide is living up to this responsibility through fund generation and setting up of Trust Fund Board for the institution development. He listed other activities of the Association to include propelling students to greater heights through mentoring, sponsorships of events and activities, providing expert advice to the university leadership, scholarship grants to students and other related functions geared at burnishing the national and international image of the university.

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