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BUK Moves to Develop Alternative Source of Energy

Concerned with excessive deforestation and land degradation, Bayero University will develop an alternative source of domestic energy other than wood-fuel.

At a four-day International Conference with the theme: *Future of Energy Use in Nigeria's Dry Land: Challenges and Opportunities*, stakeholders from academia, NGOs, farmers, communities, environmentalists and government agencies have proposed different sources of energy for sustainable environmental management.

The conference, which took place from 12th to 15th November, 2012 was coordinated by the Geography Department and the Dean of the Faculty of Social and Management Science, Professor Adamu Tanko.

On the second day of the conference, tagged "the DelPHE Day", the Dean of SMS shared a video clip of his field report on *Urban Growth, Domestic Fuel and Sustainable Forestry in Kano*, while Nuratu

Muhammad and Mrs. Mairo Haruna displayed their field report on Gender Perspective.

Similarly, Reginald Cline Cole of the University of Birmingham and Roy Maconachie from the University of Bath demonstrated their research, which spanned over 25 years on the use of woodfuel as an energy source in the majority of houses in Kano and recommended either its replacement or tapping its potential to serve as an alternative to fossil fuel.

Earlier at the opening ceremony, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, Mni, MFR, said the conference was part of the collaborative activities involving Bayero University, the University of Bath and the University of Birmingham, U. K. under the Development Partnerships for Higher Education (DelPHE), funded by the Department for International Development (DFID) and the UKaid through the British Council.

He remarked that the linkage has been of immense benefit to the Academic development of staff in the Geography Department over the past

two years and appreciated the financial assistance from the linkage, whose agreement expires in March 2013.

Several key papers were presented at the workshop and the Coordinator, Professor Tanko promised that a communiqué on the conference would soon be published.

VC Bags Biotech Award

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR has been conferred with the Biotechnology Achievement Award by the Biotechnology Society of Nigeria, during its 25th Annual Conference held at the NOUN, Abuja between 26th and 31st August, 2012.

The leader of the three-man BUK delegation at the conference, Professor M.D. Mukhtar, of the Department of Microbiology, while handing over the crystal and certificate that symbolized the award to the VC during the week, said the awardee bagged the honour “for his contribution to Biotechnology Education Research and Development in Nigeria”. The other delegates were Dr. Suleiman Mudi of the Department of Chemistry and Dr. Aminu Bukar of the Department of Microbiology.

The citation for the award listed the establishment of a Centre for

Biotechnology Research and Training in BUK; the hosting of the 2011 Nigerian Society for Microbiology (NSM) AGM, which enabled them to secure a plot in Abuja and the splitting of the Department of Biological Sciences into Microbiology, Plant Science, Applied Biology and Applied Zoology as measures that recommended the Vice Chancellor for the award.

Receiving the award, the Vice Chancellor said he would continue to support and initiate policies that would place the University amongst the cream of research universities in the world.

Director, Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA) Appointed

The Vice Chancellor Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, has approved the appointment of Prof. Jibrin M. Jibrin as the Director of the Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA). The appointment is for a period of two years with effect from 5th November, 2012, according to a letter signed by the Registrar, Sani Ibrahim Amin, MNIM.

Prof. Hafiz Abubakar Appointed Director, Centre for Biotechnology Research

The Head of the Department of Biochemistry, Professor Hafizu Abubakar, has been appointed by the

Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, as the pioneer Director of the Centre for Biotechnology Research.

A letter signed by the Registrar, Sani Ibrahim Amin, MNIM indicates that the appointment takes effect from 19th November, 2012 for a period of two years.

Prof. A. H. Arzai is the New Director, G.S.U.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, has approved the appointment of Professor A.H. Arzai of the Biology Department, as the Director, General Studies Unit (G.S.U.).

The appointment, according to a letter signed by the Registrar, Sani Ibrahim Amin, MNIM takes effect from 19th November, 2012 for a period of two years.

Dr. Bashir S. Galadanci Now H.O.D. Software Engineering

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, has approved the appointment of Dr. Bashir S. Galadanci, as the Head of the Department of Software Engineering.

The appointment according to a letter signed by the Vice Chancellor took

effect from Monday 12th November, 2012 for two years.

7th Conference on Literature in Northern Nigeria

Bayero University, Kano in conjunction with the Kwara State University, Malete announces the 7th Conference on **Literature in Northern Nigeria.**

Keynote Speaker:

Professor Abdul Rasheed Na'Allah
Vice Chancellor, KWASU.

Theme: *'Literature, History and Identity in Northern Nigeria.'*

Lead Paper Presenters:

Professor Yakubu Nasidi, Department of English and Literary Studies, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.

Literature and Identity in Northern Nigeria.

Professor John Illah
Department of Theatre Arts,
University of Jos.

Literature and History in Northern Nigeria.

Chairman of the Occasion:

Prof. Shu'aib Oba AbdulRaheem,
Executive Chairman, Federal
Character Commission, Abuja

Chief Host:

Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed

Date: 3 - 6 December, 2012

Venue: Musa Abdullahi Auditorium,
New Campus, BUK

Submission of Abstracts:

Deadline for submission of abstracts:
Tuesday 20th November, 2012 to:
Mbhadmus@yahoo.com,
mandzukogisawaba@yahoo.com

Registration Details:

Conference and Registration Fees:
₦10, 000.

International Participants: \$100
Students: ₦1, 000.

**M.I.S.: ADD & DROP
EXERCISE STARTS**

The Management Information System (MIS) wishes to inform students that Add and Drop exercise is scheduled as follows:

PERIOD: Monday 19th to Friday 30th November, 2012.

ELIGIBILITY: Only students registered in 2011/2012.

Procedure:

- Students are to collect the Add and Drop form from their department and fill all the relevant sections therein.
- They then pay a fee of ₦1,000 at Cash Office of the Bursary Department, New Campus; collect a

receipt and attach same to the Add and Drop form.

- Get the Add and Drop form endorsed by the H.O.D. or Level/Programme Coordinator, certifying their eligibility and need to participate in the exercise.
- Leave the form with the H.O.D or Level/Programme Coordinator for onward submission to the MIS Unit after the completion of the exercise.

BUK Defeats KWASU in Ilorin, Wins 5 Gold Medals

Bayero University has won the 2nd leg of the Sports Exchange Programme by thrashing Kwara State University (KWASU) Malete to clinch five gold medals in Football, Basketball, Volley ball, Table tennis and Chess.

The second leg which took place at the Kwara State University between 10th and 12th November, 2012 was part of the collaboration signed between the two Universities. The hosts could only manage one gold medal in Badminton, according to Sports Director, Dr. Musa Garba Yakasai.

Deputy Vice Chancellor, Admin, Professor Sadiq Isah Radda led the University delegation to Kwara State for the 3-day fiesta.

It would be recalled that the first leg took place in BUK last year where the hosts clinched gold medals in all the 4 games played.

Internal Audit Unit

Change of Official Pen

The Internal Audit wishes to inform the University community that sequel to its interactive session with the representatives of the Auditor General of the Federation in line with the Internal Audit best practices, hence forth it will be using brown pen and not the green in the endorsement of all payments, records and documents that pass through the Unit in the normal course of its operation.

Members of the University community should take note of the new development.

Corpers Organize a Lecture On Development

The NYSC's MDGs/FACOR Community Development Service Group invites the University community to a sensitization lecture at the B.U.K Staff Secondary School "to enlighten students on issues that can aid the development of our great nation."

A statement signed by the President, Ajoge I. Abdul, and General Secretary, Muhammad Abubakar,

said the programme is scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: 15th November, 2012

Time: 10:00am – 2:00 pm.

Staff Model Primary School

Payment of Development Levy & Other Fees

The Staff Model Primary School reminds all parents and guardians once again that the time limit given for the payment of the Development Levy, Examination Fee and PTA Levy will expire very soon. A statement signed by the Principal, Haruna Mohammed Shanono, advised parents and guardians "to come forward and settle their obligation in order to avoid penalty."

ASUU BUK Organizes Induction Workshop for New Staff

This is to invite all the Academic Staff to a one-day induction workshop organized by the Academic Staff Union of Universities, Bayero University, Kano chapter (ASUU-BUK) scheduled to take place as follows, according to a release by Dr. Haruna Musa, Secretary of the union:

Date: Thursday 22nd November, 2012

Time: 9:00am prompt.

Venue: Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, New Campus.



Please endeavour to attend and be punctual.

Department of Electrical Engineering

PhD. Seminar

The Department of Electrical Engineering invites the University community to its PhD seminar, which is scheduled as follows:

Candidate: Haruna Musa
(SPS/07/TEC/03749)

Title: *'Impact of Distributed Generation on Voltage Stability of a Radial Distribution System.'*

Supervisor: Dr. S. S. Adamu

Date: 22nd November, 2012

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Department of Electrical Engineering Seminar Room.

Department of History

M. A. Internal Defence

This is to invite members of Departmental P.G. Board to the M.A Internal Defence scheduled to hold as follows:

Presenter 1: Kabiru Sabo Usman
(SPS/09/MHT/00012)

Topic: *'The History of 'Yanbindiga in Kano Emirate, 1892 – 1998.'*

Presenter 2: Habila Duniya
(SPS/09/MHT/00015).

Topic: *'The Political, Social and Economic Re-Organization of Kajiuland under British Colonial Rule, 1903 - 1934.'*

Presenter 3: Zainab Sindigawa Muhammad (SPS/09/MHT/00017)

Topic: *'Cattle Nutrition and Management in Adamawa State, 1991 - 2010.'*

Presenter 4: Abba Musa Gammo
(SPS/09/MHT/00006)

Topic: *'The Effects of Local Government Reforms on the Office of Wakilan Fuskoki.'*

Date: Tuesday 20th November, 2012

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Seminar Room.

Lost & Found

1- Bayero University identity card bearing Sulaiman Abubakar Salisu (SCI/09/CHE/00674).

2- A lady's black handbag

3- A Zanna Bukar cap.

4- A lady brown glasses.

5- A bunch of keys



A BUK I.D. card belonging to Kabir Shehu Ahmad (EDU/08/DLIM/00284).

6- A Bayero University I.D. card belonging to Sulaiman Dahiru.

7- Bayero University identity card belonging to Akor Annie Salis (SMS/11/MAC/01270).

8- A National identity card belonging to Jibrin Isa.

Appreciation

(1) The families of the late Prof. B. B. Mustapha wish to express their appreciation to the members of the University community who commiserated with the family over the death of their father.

Special appreciation goes to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, Deputy Vice Chancellors (Academic and Admin), Registrar, Bursar, Librarian, H.O.D. Arabic, H.O.D. Islamic Studies and all the other staff of the University.

May Allah reward and bless you abundantly, amin.

(2) Dr. Aminu Taura of the Department of Psychiatry on behalf of his family wishes to express his sincere appreciation to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, all

principal officers and the entire University community for their support over the passing away of his mother, Hajiya Fatima Abdullahi, which occurred on 2nd November, 2012.

Corrigendum

In our last edition No. 43, we reported that Dr. Musa I. Muhammad of the Department of Pure and Industrial Chemistry lost his father.

It was his mother that passed away. The error is however regretted.

NIPOST (Unclaimed Mail)

The Nigerian Postal Services (BUK Branch) wishes to announce that the following staff and students have unclaimed mail. Anybody that sees his or her name should call at the Publications and Documentation Office for collection.

Muhammadu Buhari, 234b Rijiyar Zaki Quarters, BUK.

Abubakar Habib Auwal, 576 Yakubu Bauchi Road, BUK.

Sani Kabiru Sa'idu, Bayero University, Kano.

Aina, Mercy F. BUK.

Musa Hauwa Bala, Bayero University, Kano.

Sunday Ali, Bayero University, Kano.

Bashir Muhammad Fagge, Bayero University, Kano.

Gangbinen Aminu Maunde, Bayero University, Kano.

Abubakar Yahaya, Bayero University, Kano.

Adamu Saleh Aliyu, Bayero University, Kano.

Njidda Musa, Bayero University, Kano.

Jami'u idris, 610 BUK

Sunusi Gaya Fatima, Bayero University, Kano.

Yunusa Aliyu Maimuna, Bayero University, Kano.

Suleiman Lawan, Bayero University, Kano.

Musa Haruna, Bayero University, Kano.

Fahid Mohammed, Bayero University, Kano.

Oyeyi Esther Tinuadeibijoke, Bayero University, Kano.

Mukhtar Fatima Batulu, Bayero University, Kano.

Jibrin Mal. Aminu No. 373 Lokon Makera Gwale, BUK.

Sulaiman Nawawi, Bayero University, Kano.

Adamu Garba K/Na'isa, Bayero University, Kano.

Sa'id Halil Ibrahim, Bayero University, Kano.

Adah Sylvester, Bayero University, Kano.

Suwaida A. N, Bayero University, Kano.

Alpina Farms Ltd, Bayero University, Kano.

Mr. U. Ahmad Muhammad, Bayero University, Kano.

Musa Haruna, Bayero University, Kano.

Abubakar Ibrahim Sadiq, Bayero University, Kano.

Bello Hafizu C/o Prof. Abdallah Uba Adamu, Bayero University, Kano.

Abubakar Ahmad Sadiq, Bayero University, Kano.

Mr. U. Ahmad Muhammad, Bayero University, Kano.

Olagunju Samuel Oladipupo, Bayero University, Kano.

Mr. Ahmed Eshak, Bayero University, Kano.