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BUHARI MUSA IS NEW BUK BURSAR

lhaji Buhari Musa, the Deputy Bursar in charge of the Budget and Project Unit, has been appointed the substantive Bursar of the University, by the Governing Council, during its 22nd meeting on Wednesday 6th February, 2013.

Nine candidates responded to the advertisement for the post dated 13th December, 2012, five were shortlisted and the three top scores forwarded to the Council by the selection Board that interviewed them.

Born in 1957 at Ayogwiri – Auchi, Etsakor West local government of Edo State, the new Bursar graduated with B.Sc Business Administration in 1980 (University of Benin), bagged an MBA in 1992 (ABU), a PGD in Accounting and Finance in 2006 (BUK), and is a member of the Association of National Accountants of Nigeria (ANAN). He has attended numerous professional courses and workshops.



Alhaji Buhari Musa, the new Bursar

Upon completion of his NYSC in 1981 at UBA in Kano, he took up appointment with the Kano State Planning and Budget Commission, rising to the rank of Assistant Chief Accountant and Head of the Commission in 1993.

His first appointment with BUK was in 1995, but within the same year he went back to the Commission as Acting Director, heading it until 2004, when he returned as Chief Accountant and Head of Budget and Project Unit of BUK Bursary Department. He became a Deputy Bursar in 2001.

Alhaji Buhari Musa is married with children.



Council Approves 5 New Professors, 10 Associates Professors

The 21st University Governing Council meeting has approved the promotion of five senior academics to the rank of Professor and noted the promotion of ten others to the rank of Associate Professor.

The Council approved the promotion at its meeting of 30th January, 2013, following the recommendations of the Appointments and Promotion Committee (A & PC) which met on Monday 26th January, 2013, in respect of the 2011 and 2012 promotion exercises.

The new Professors are:

| S/N | NAME | RANK | EFFECTIVE DATE |
|-----|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Dr. Isma'ila Mohammed Zango | Professor of Sociology | 1 st October, 2011 |
| 2 | Dr. Shehu Alhaji Musa | Professor of Agricultural Economics | 1 st October, 2011 |
| 3 | Dr. Muhammad Bashir Fagge | Professor of Animal Science | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 4 | Dr. Oumar Al-Moubarak Adoum | Professor of Organic Chemistry | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 5 | Dr. Habu Nuhu Aliyu | Professor of Inorganic Chemistry | 1 st October, 2012 |

The Council also approved the appointment with effect from 1st October, 2012, of Prof. Abdallah Uba Adamu as Professor of Media and Cultural Communication and his transfer to the Department of Mass Communication, respectively.

The ten Associate Professors are:

| S/N | NAME | DEPARTMENT | EFFECTIVE DATE |
|-----|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Dr. Sunusi Sani Adamu | Electrical Engineering | 1 st October, 2011 |
| 2 | Dr. Gaji Fatima Dantata | Special Education | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 3 | Dr. Ali Tijjani Abdullahi | Special Education | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 4 | Dr. Zilkifilu Abdu | Agricultural Econs & Ext. | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 5 | Dr. Suleiman Yusuf Mudi | Pure & Industrial Chemistry | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 6 | Dr. Mukhtar Atiku Kurawa | Inorganic Chemistry | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 7 | Dr. Sani Muhammad Gumel | Pure & Industrial Chemistry | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 8 | Dr. Wahab Lavin Olajoke Jimoh | Pure & Industrial Chemistry | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 9 | Dr. Musa Ibrahim Muhammad | Pure & Industrial Chemistry | 1 st October, 2012 |
| 10 | Dr. Aisha Kuliya Gwarzo | Haemotology | 1 st October, 2012 |



Calendar of Academic Activities - 2011/2012 & 2012/2013

The Senate at its 308th meeting held on Tuesday, 29th January, 2013, upon consideration of the report from Management on the dates for the completion of 2011/2012 session academic activities and the commencement of the 2012/2013 session academic activities has approved dates for various academic activities. A statement from the Director, Academic Affairs, Fatima B. Mohammed, gave the details as follows:

a) Timetable for the Completion of 2011/2012 Activities

| S/N | DATE | ACTIVITY |
|-----|---|---|
| 1 | Saturday, February 9, 2013 | Last examination Paper for the last Faculty |
| 2 | Monday, 11^{th} – Friday, 22^{nd} February, 2013. | Faculty Committees on Examination Malpractice and Leakages to consider all suspected cases of Examination Malpractices (within 2 weeks of last paper). |
| 3 | Wednesday, February 27 th , 2013 | Central Committee on Examinations Misconduct and Leakages to consider reports from Faculty Committees. |
| 4 | Saturday, March 2 nd , 2013. | Last day for completion of marking and submission of raw marks – 3 weeks after last paper in the Faculty. |
| 5 | Monday, 4 th – Saturday 23 rd March, 2013. | Final Year Projects Presentation/Defense (where applicable); Moderation by External Examiners: Departmental and Faculty Boards of Examines to consider the Results. |
| 6 | Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th March, 2013 | SBC meets on 2 nd Semester Examinations Results (7 weeks after the last paper) |
| 7 | Wednesday 10 th April, 2013 | Senate meets on 2 nd Semester Examinations Results. |

b) 2012/2013 Calendar of Academic Activities

| S/N | DATE | ACTIVITY |
|-----|---|---|
| 1 | Sunday 31 st March, 2013 | Students Resume |
| 2 | Monday, 25 th March - | Registration for Fresh Students. |
| | Saturday, 6 th April, 2013 | |
| 3 | Monday, 1 st – Saturday, 6 th | Registration for Returning students. |
| | April, 2013 | |
| 4 | Monday, 8 th April – Saturday, | 1 st Semester Lectures (14 weeks). |
| | 13 th July, 2013. | |
| 5 | Monday, 15 th – Saturday, 27 th | 1 st Semester Examinations (2 week). |
| | July, 2013. | |



| 6 | Sunday, 28 th July – Sunday 11 th | 1 st Semester Break |
|---|---|--|
| | August, 2013 | |
| 7 | Monday, 12 th August – | 2 nd Semester Lectures (14 weeks). |
| | Saturday, 16 th November, 2013 | |
| 8 | Monday, 18 th – Saturday, 30 th | 2 nd Semester Examinations (2 weeks). |
| | November, 2013 | |

How Internal Communication Enhances Employee Efficiency - Expert

An information and communication expert, Alhaji Aliyu Ma'aji, has said that effective internal communication will enhance better service delivery and boost the capacity of employees in an organization to work diligently and efficiently.

Delivering a lecture on the **Role of** Communication in Achieving an Organization's Objectives, on Saturday 2nd February, 2013 at the Mass Communication Department, Alhaji Ma'aji averred that employees need to be better informed on the organizational objectives, vision and mission and be constantly reminded.

The speaker, who is the Assistant General Manager and Head of Corporate Communication Department, Unity Bank, noted that to achieve optimal performance in an organization, the information and communication personnel should be trained and retrained to further understand the dynamics of the ever changing system.

He charged the information personnel to make the optimum use of modern technology to communicate to the entire staff of the organization via internet and telephone messages for getting quick and direct information from the management.

The Assistant G. M. further advocated for the establishment of the most effective media management system in organizations.

The speaker is also the Ma'ajin Zazzau and an alumnus of Mass Communication Department of BUK.

The lecture was attended by many lecturers and Postgraduate Diploma students of the department.

Blue Nile TV of Sudan Interviews VC on BUK's Landmark

Impressed with the ongoing transformations of physical structures and academic programmes in B.U.K., the foremost Sudanese television, the Blue Nile, came to Nigeria on Tuesday to interview the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar



Rasheed, mni, MFR on the monumental strides recorded in recent times.

In the interview, the Vice Chancellor said Bayero University and Sudan had a long standing relationship, as its pioneer V.C., Professor Abdallah Tayyab, laid a solid foundation when it was formerly Abdullahi Bayero College.

He said Prof. Tayyab's legacies and notable contributions have laid a solid foundation for the contemporary BUK to be rated among the best Universities in Nigeria by N.U.C.

Prof. Rasheed remarked that many staff of BUK are currently pursuing their PhD in Sudan, adding that the University has signed collaboration with some Sudanese Universities on staff and student exchange programmes.

The Sudanese Consult in Nigeria, Mohammed Usman El-Tayyeb, led the Blue Nile T.V. team to BUK, while the former Vice Chancellor, Professor Dandatti Abdulkadir, escorted them.

Intellectual Property Key to Achieving Vision 20:2020 – NOTAP DG

Nigerian's quest to be among the 20th largest economies of the world can be achieved if creative output as a result

of scientific and technological innovation are fully integrated as engines of economic growth, the Director General, National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion (NOTAP), Engineer Dr. Umar Bindir, has said.

Speaking at a public lecture organized by the University and sponsored by Step B-Project on Wednesday 5th February, 2013 entitled, "Intellectual Property System in Nigeria: Prospects and Challenges for an Effective IPR Regimes in Nigerian Universities", the D.G. said if the intellectual Properties from Nigerian Universities could go into the industries and become products the process would create wealth, generate employment and alleviate poverty in Nigeria.

Dr. Bindir challenged Nigerian Universities to create departments of Poverty Eradication in order to produce graduates that would play significant roles in alleviating societal poverty problems.

"Many Nigerian Universities have faculties of Agriculture, Engineering, Science and Technology, as well as Departments **Economics** of and Business Administration. unfortunately since independence Nigeria's human development index keeps deteriorating. Why can't these Universities apply their intellectual properties for economic transformation?" he queried.



The NOTAP DG cited an example of cow milk alone and said if tapped effectively it would generate billions of Naira. He said scientific and technological skills should be applied, using artificial insemination to enhance the cow breeds to ensure cows produce adequate milk.

The speaker added that other scientific and technological methods could be applied to other resources and the country could be developed within the next seven years.

Dr. Bindir enumerated some challenges facing the country to include good ideas without innovation, weak intellectual property management lack system, entrepreneurship venture capital, a weak communication policy and lack of good industrialization policy.

The guest lecturer, who did his PhD at Cranfield University, U.K. and invented a groundnut combine harvester, called on Bayero University to promote intellectual properties by organizing technology exhibition shows, where new innovations and discoveries would be showcased.

Earlier, the D.G. paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR and told him that NOTAP's mandate was to regulate the consumption of foreign technology and promote the local ones.

He said NOTAP would establish an Intellectual Transfer and Innovation Centre in B.U.K.

On his part, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR said the visit would impact positively to the University as many centres and new programmes were established, including Centre for Biotechnology Research and that of Entrepreneurship Studies.

The Vice Chancellor decried that the greatest challenge facing intellectual property exploitation is inadequate research grant in tertiary institutions. He appealed to the government to intervene seriously on local research in order to close the missing link.

V.C. Lauds 2002 Graduates Forum For a Borehole Project

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mini, MFR, has lauded the goodwill gesture of the 2002 Graduates Forum for drilling a borehole at the Sports Complex of BUK Old Campus.

The Vice Chancellor, who commissioned the project on Saturday 2nd January, 2013 expressed appreciation on behalf of the management, staff and students for the project and called for other alumni to impact positively on their *alma mata*.



In an interview, a member of the Forum, Malam Adamu Saleh, said a N5,000 levy was imposed on each member after which the money was used to construct the borehole. He said the Forum's future project would be to equip the University Library.

Earlier, in his welcome remarks, the acting Chairman of the Forum, Malam Faruk Da'u, said some of their notable achievements include the purchase of medicine and four refrigerators to some prison inmates and some meaningful projects to society.

Academic Journal of Science and Engineering

- Call for Papers

The Academy Journal of Science and Engineering (AJTSE) is a publication of the Faculties of Science and Engineering of the Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna.

Scientists, Engineers and the general public are hereby invited to submit research and development papers for publication in the journal for extensive circulation, including within the military and other defence establishments.

An abstract not exceeding 250 words should precede the introduction,

materials and methods, results, discussion, conclusion and references. Acknowledgments should come last. All editorial correspondence should be addressed to the Editor-in-Chief, Academy Journal of Science and Engineering, Faculty of Science, Nigerian Defence Academy.

The e-mail: info@academyjsekad.edu.ng or scosuala@academyjsekad.edu.ng

Take-off of Faculty of Computer Sciences & Information Technology

This is to kindly inform the University community that the Faculty of Computer Sciences and Information Technology is fully functional and occupies the right wing of Center for Information Technology building. The faculty administrative offices are located in the ground floor with the offices of the Dean, and Heads of Department of Computer Science, Software Engineering and Information Technology, according to a statement from the office of the Ag. Dean, Dr. Bashir Galadanci.

"All correspondences should be delivered to the above mentioned location", the statement added.



The Vice Chancellor

Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR

Cordially invites

Members of the University community

To the

Commissioning Ceremony of BUK/AIDS Youth Friendly Centre

Scheduled or follows:

Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 **Time:** 11:00am

Venue: ECOBANK Building, BUK New Campus.

Health Services Department

Release of National health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) Registration

The University Health Services Department informs members of staff who registered with the NHIS from April 2012 to October 2012 that most of the registrations have been released. Staff are advised to come to NHIS Office at the Old Campus Clinic with their registration numbers for up-dates and the documentation of their Clinic NHIS files.

A list of registered names and their NHIS numbers are pasted at the notice boards of Clinics and Security Offices of the Old Campus and New Campus and the main administrative building at the New Campus, as well as the Institute of Continuing Education.

It also observed that a lot of staff that registered with the Scheme since inception were not aware that their registrations have been released. Such staff are also advised to come and check their names at the NHIS office, Old Campus Clinic.

For further information contact NHIS Desk Officer on 08036471419.

Department of Mathematical Sciences

PhD Seminars

The Department of Mathematical Sciences invites the University community to its PhD seminars, scheduled as follows:

Topic 1: 'The Monster and its 163 Moonshine Functions'.

Speaker: Amina Muhammad Lawan

Chairperson: Dr. Abbas Jafaru Badakaya

Supervisor: Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello.



Topic 2: 'Mathematical Investigation on Natural Ventilation Process in Rectricicular Domains.

Speaker: Muhammad Auwal Lawan

Chairperson: Dr. Muhammad Waziri

Yusuf.

Supervisor: Dr. Abdullahi Bichi Baffa.

Date: 15th February, 2013.

Time: 9:00am.

Venue: Departmental Computer Lab

Faculty of Social & Management Sciences

Faculty Seminar Presentation

The Faculty of Social and Management Sciences invites members of the academic community to witness the faculty seminar paper presentation title: A Survey of the Method Used by Nigerian Investors to Appraise Investment in Ordinary Shares, scheduled as follows:

Presenter: Professor Bashir Tijjani

Chairman/Convener: Professor Adamu Tanko Idris, FRGS

Reviewers: Professor Aliyu Suleiman

Kantudu

Dr. Dauda Muhammad

Protocols: Deputy Dean of the Faculty.

Date: Thursday 14th February, 2013

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Faculty Conference Hall

Department of Accounting

Internal Examination & Proposal Defense

The Department of Accounting invites the academic community to its internal examination and proposal defense as follows:

Internal Examination Candidate 1: Sagir Lawal (SPS/09/MAC/00004).

Topic: 'An Appraisal of Public Expenditure Management at Local Government Level in Katsina State'.

Internal Examiner: Dr. Kabiru Tahir Hamid.

Candidate 2: Mohammed Ibrahim (SPS/09/MAC/00006).

Topic: 'An Investigation of the Use of Balance Score Card in Assessing0020Performance in the Nigerian Banking Industry'.

Internal Examiner: Prof. Muhammad Liman Muhammad.



Proposal Defense

Candidate 1: Garba Tela (SPS/09/SMS/00017).

Topic: 'An Assessment of Compliance with the Application of Corporate Social Responsibility Accounting in the Nigerian Construction Industry'.

Reviewer: Dr. Kabir Tahir Hamid

Candidate 2: Sirajo Murtala (SPS/09/SMS/00004).

Topic: 'The impact of Capital Structure on Firm Performance: An Analysis of Nigerian Construction Industry.

Reviewer: Dr. Ibrahim Magaji Barde.

Candidate 3: Mohammed Bello Ado (SPS/08/SMS/00007).

Topic: 'The Application of Balanced Scorecard in Educational Institutions: A Case of Kano State Polytechnic'.

Reviewer: Dr. Junaidu Muhammad.

PhD Proposal Defense

Candidate: Isyaku Alhaji Sama'ila (SPS/10/PAC/00003).

Topic: 'Corporate Governance and Financial Reporting Quality in the Nigerian Oil Marketing Industry'.

Reviewer: Prof. Aliyu Suleiman Kantudu

Date: 15th February, 2013

Time: 9:00am prompt

Venue: Aminu Dantata Business School Conference Room Department of Accounting.

Appreciation

The entire family of the late Comrade Elijah Egbunu heartily appreciates the assistance rendered to the family by the Vice Chancellor, the Deputy Vice Chancellors, the Registrar, and the entire University community during the burial ceremony of our beloved father.

We give special thanks to all the University Unions, especially the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), BUK branch, SSANU National, SSANU Northern Zone and all the other branches that sent their delegations to the funeral.

Our appreciation also goes to the Management Board of the University Staff Model Primary School and the General Studies Unit of BUK for their moral and financial supports.

May God in His infinite mercy reward you all, amen.

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