The Governing Council of Bayero University, Kano has approved the appointment of Hajiyaa Fatima Binta Mohammed as the new Registrar of the University. She is the first female to occupy the seat since the establishment of the institution over 40 years ago. The appointment takes effect from 1st March, 2016.

Her appointment followed a recommendation submitted to the Council by the Selection Board.

The Council hereby approves the recommendation of the Selection Board that Fatima Binta Mohammed, being the candidate with the highest score of 77.5% be appointed Registrar of the University,” the letter reads.

Until her appointment, Hajiyaa Fatima Binta Mohammed, was the Director, Examinations, Admissions and Records (DEAR).

Born on 26th June, 1964 in Sokoto, she was a 1982 graduate of Political Science from Bayero University and also holds a Masters degree in Public Policy and Administration.

The incoming Registrar joined the services of the University in 2002 as a Principal Assistant Registrar (PAR) and rose through the ranks to become a Director in 2012.

Previously, she worked with the Kano State Ministry of Education as a classroom teacher from 1983 and became a Principal of Maryam Abacha Government Girls Secondary School from 1997 to 2001 after which she transferred her services to BUK in 2002.

She is an educationist and administrator par excellence. She is married with children.

The entire university community wishes to join numerous well-wishers in congratulating her for the well deserved appointment.
BUK to Assist Staff Own Residential Houses – Vice Chancellor

Bayero University can only provide accommodation for just 500 staff out of its over 4,000 staff strength, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has disclosed.

Speaking when he received the management of Aso Savings Plc, Abuja on a courtesy call in his office on Monday 1st February, 2016, the Vice Chancellor said this serious accommodation deficit made it necessary for the management to consider the issue of mortgage arrangement in order to assist staff own a befitting residential accommodation.

He said to achieve that, the management through its Housing Loan Committee was working on mortgage arrangements with the Federal Mortgage Institution, adding that ‘already some of our staff have opened mortgage through the assistance of the University, but, as an institution we will not participate directly in the mortgage arrangement, but will only serve as guarantor for our staff which we have since done and will continue to do for the rest our staff interested in the mortgage arrangement,’ he stated.

Professor Yahuza Bello further stated that BUK management would be willing to enter into collaboration with Aso Savings Plc geared towards assisting its staff to own their residential accommodation, and advised them to present their proposal on the mortgage arrangement to BUK Housing Loan Committee for perusal and consideration.

He thanked the Aso Savings management for the visit and confidence on the BUK management, assuring them that the university would be willing to work with them to achieve mutual benefit.

Earlier, the leader of the Aso Saving Plc team, Alhaji Balarabe Nuhu, who represented the Executive Director of the institution told the Vice Chancellor that they were in the university first to congratulate him over his well deserved appointment as the 10th Vice Chancellor of the institution and secondly to seek collaboration with the university on mortgage housing arrangement for the university as an institution and for its staff members.

Alhaji Balarabe, who traced the history of the Aso Savings Plc to 1995, stated that in 2005 it became a limited liability company and was listed in the Nigeria Stock Exchange in 2008. He also said Aso Savings is one of the first 12 financial institutions in the country. He further revealed that the company had in recent years recorded a turnover of ₦5.5b and upto10 billion naira.

He said the institution had been engaged in primary mortgage activities and performing small business banking as well as sale of government properties in Abuja, adding that the institution intended to engage BUK in terms of investment and assist it own properties in Abuja. This, he said was very possible through collaboration, and appealed to the BUK management to consider choosing Aso Savings as its Primary Mortgage Institution.

Dr. Hassan Sule Appointed Head, Department of Crop Protection

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Dr. Hassan Sule as the Head of Department of Crop Protection for two years from 8th February, 2016

A letter signed by the Vice Chancellor dated 5th February, 2016 called on the HOD to “give sound academic and administrative leadership to the department.”
Dr. Ibrahim Mu'azzam Maibushra
Reappointed Head, Department of Islamic Studies and Shari'ah

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the reappointment of Dr. Ibrahim Maibushra as the Head of Department of Islamic Studies and Shari'ah for two years from 17th February, 2016

A letter signed by the Vice Chancellor dated 3rd February, 2016 urged the HOD to continue to “give the department sound, academic and administrative leadership.”

Prof. Habu Mohammed is the Head,
Department of Political Science

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Prof. Habu Mohammed as the Head of Department of Political Science for two years from 15th February, 2016

A letter signed by the Vice Chancellor dated 10th February, 2016 called on the HOD to “give sound academic and administrative leadership to the department.”

Dr. Barde Elected New ASUU-BUK Chairman

Dr. Ibrahim Magaji Barde of the Department of Accounting, has been elected new Chairman of Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) BUK Chapter.

The congress of ASUU-BUK conducted the election of new executive members on Tuesday, 10th February, 2016 who will pilot the affairs of the union. Other elected officials were:

1. Vice Chairperson - Dr. Suleiman Yar'adua (Department of Mass Communication).
2. Secretary - Dr. Shamsuddeen Umar (Department of Biological Sciences).
3. Assistant Secretary - Dr. Yusuf Umar Madugu (Department of History).
4. Treasurer - Dr. Ibrahim Taju Siraj (Department of Pure and Industrial Chemistry).
5. Financial Secretary - Dr. Ahmad Iliyasu (Department of Education).
6. Investment Secretary - Dr. Nura Magaji (Department of Electrical Engineering).
7. Welfare Officer - Dr. Tijjani S. Imam (Department of Biological Sciences).
8. IPC - Professor Mahmoud Lawal (Department of Political Science).

23 FEB 2016 INTERNAL DEADLINE: 2016 TetFund Research Fund Applications

The Director, Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership (DRIP), hereby requests all lecturers who intend to apply for the 2016 TETFUND Research Fund to kindly submit their Applications/Proposals to the DRIP on or before Tuesday, 23rd February, 2016 for further processing and subsequent forwarding to the Executive Secretary, TETFUND. Applicants are reminded that the deadline for submission of Proposals/Applications to the TETFUND Executive Secretary in Abuja is Friday, 26th February, 2016.

A letter signed by Rabi'u Sani Shatsari (PhD), Deputy Director (Partnership) DRIP, said for further information regarding the 2016 TETFUND call Proposals/Applications, staff should refer to the BUK official Bulletin of Friday, 5th February, 2016.
BUK Mourns Barrister A. S. Umar, Alh. Garba Baffa

Bayero University was sent into mourning following the deaths of two senior officers in the Registry and Bursary Departments.

Barrister Abubakar S. Umar died on Saturday, 6th February, 2016 at a hospital in Kaduna State after a protracted illness. He was a Director, General Administration in the Registry Department. Alhaji Garba Baffa of the Bursary died on Tuesday in Kano city.

Barrister Umar was born on 10th March, 1965 and joined the services of Bayero University, Kano on 1st February, 2002.

APPS Development Competition Announcement

In its efforts to promote ICT development, the Centre for Information Technology and Development (CITAD) has instituted an annual apps development competition for students of tertiary institutions from the following states: Kano, Jigawa, Bauchi, Gombe, Bornu, Yobe, Adamawa, Taraba and Katsina. Prospective participants will be required to submit entries of original developed apps that address any of the following: Facilitating budget and projects monitoring by citizens, Classroom attendance in primary and secondary schools and Automation of tracking of hate speech in the social media.

Interested students can download the application form using the link below. When Completed forms should be submitted to appsdev@citad.org on or before 29th February, 2016. Only students who have completed and submitted their application forms within the deadline will be eligible to compete.

Prizes are as follow:
**First Place:** One year one-full scholarship to the tune of ₦150,000

**Second Place:** half year scholarship to the tune of ₦100,000

**Third Place:** payment of Registration fees to the tune of ₦50,000

Four consolation prizes of ₦25,000 each

In addition the first 8 winners will have their apps promoted with a view to commercializing them.

Prospective applicant should visit www.citad.org and download the application form. The completed form should be co-signed by the Head of Department where the student is registered. Completed application form should be submitted not later than 29th February, 2016. The completed Form should be uploaded at the website not later than 30th March, 2016. Winners of the competition will be unveiled in June at a venue to be announced later. Prospective participants are advised to download the Rule for the Completion from the website: http://www.citad.org/apps-development-competition-announcement.

SEMINARS

The following Departments invite the University Community to their seminars/workshop, scheduled as follows:

**Department Geography: PhD Seminar**

**Presenter 1:** Umar Abdullahi  
(SPS/11/PGE/00010)

**Topic:** Vulnerability of Smallholder Family Communities to Drought in the Dryland of Northern Nigeria.

**Chairman:** Dr. Salisu Muhammad

**Presenter 2:** Murtala Shehi Ahmed  
(SPS/11/PGE/00005)
**Topic:** Assessment of Groundwater Vulnerability and Risk to Contamination in Kaduna Metropolis, Nigeria.

**Chairman:** Prof. A. I. Tanko

**Date:** 18th February, 2016

**Time:** 10:00 am prompt.

**Venue:** Fees Theatre B

**NOTE:** Attendance for seminars is compulsory to all MSc I, II, and PhD I, II students.

**Department Business Administration & Entrepreneurship: PhD Seminar Series**

**Presenter 1:** Aisha Aminu

**Topic:** Investigating the Influence of Socio-Cultural Factors on the Performance of Women Entrepreneurs in Northern Nigeria.

**Reviewer:** Prof. Aminu Kado Kurfi

**Presenter 2:** Musa Gambo Kasuwar-Kuka

**Topic:** Service Quality and Customer Satisfaction among Domestic Air Passengers in Nigeria.

**Reviewer:** Prof. Aminu Kado Kurfi

**Chairman:** Dr. B. A. Jakada

**Date:** Wednesday, 17th February, 2016

**Time:** 2:00 pm

**Venue:** Conference Hall, Aminu Dantata School of Business.

**Centre for Islamic Civilization & Interfaith Dialogue: Lecture on Islamic Civilization**

**Speaker:** Prof. Omar Hassan Kasule, Snr. Professor of Epidemiology and Medical Ethics King Fahd Medical City, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

**Topic:** Conceptual and Philosophical Reading of Kitab Al-Taharah: Islamic Guidelines on Personal and Environmental Hygiene as a Basis for Building a Civilization.

**Date:** Friday, 12th February, 2016

**Time:** 4:00 pm

**Venue:** Mambayya House, Gwammaja, Kano

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**ACADEMIC STAFF UNION OF UNIVERSITIES**

**BAYERO UNIVERSITY, KANO CHAPTER**

**ASUU SECRETARIAT BUK, KANO**

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**Our Ref:**

**Your Ref:**

**Date 10th February, 2016**

**RESOLUTIONS OF ASUU-BUK SPECIAL CONGRESS MEETING**

ASUU-BUK held a Special Congress Meeting on Wednesday 10th February 2016 at Theatre One Old Campus to receive end of tenure reports by the out-going EXCO members and conduct elections of new Executives.

At the end of the meeting Congress took the following resolutions:

1. Expresses its appreciation and satisfaction for the impressive presentation of the end of tenure reports by the outgoing EXCO.
2. Appreciates and commends the outgoing EXCO for successfully steering the affairs of ASUU-BUK for the last two years.

3. Recognizes and supports the resolve of the Electoral Committee to abide by the rules and procedures for the election of members of EXCO of ASUU-BUK.

4. Commends the Congress for the successful conduct of election into the positions of ASUU-BUK Executives with the exception of the office of Internal Auditor for which a bye-election will be held within two weeks after fresh nomination.

5. The Congress notes the results of the election as follows:

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Yours in struggle,

Prof. Mahmoud M. Lawan  
Chairperson

Dr. Haruna Musa  
Secretary

For and on behalf of the ASUU-BUK

**NIGERIAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS-BASED RESEARCH INNOVATION FROM ACADEMICS IN NIGERIAN TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS**

The Nigerian Communications Commission, the regulator of the telecommunications industry in Nigeria, supports amongst other things, telecommunications-based innovations, inventions and research from tertiary institutions in the country that are practical, locally realizable and have clear potential of developing the telecommunications industry.

Pursuant to this objective, the Commission invites proposals from academics in tertiary institutions that have feasible research ideas, capable of replacing or enhancing foreign technologies in the telecommunications industry in Nigeria. It is envisaged that the initiative will help build capacity in the tertiary institutions and promote Nigeria's contribution to the pool of technologies in use in the communications industry.

**REQUIREMENT**

Interested researchers are invited to submit their proposals, which must:
• Adherence of proposal to stated requirements above.
• Clear statement and explanation of the problem.
• Proposed solution to the problem.
• Novelty of the research proposal (comprehensive literature review to bring out clearly, the Novelty of the research).
• Proposed approach and methodology.
• Proof of concept (feasibility of idea with diagram, algorithm, etc).
• Clear relevance to the telecommunications industry.
• Evidence of local realization up to prototype.
• Cost reasonableness (cost of actualizing the idea excluding furniture and allowances).

Schedule of project organization.

Coherent presentation/packaging of concept. Integration of research with education (capacity building of students via the implementation of the project in the institution).

Evidence of competence of team in executing the project (including past work and VC's of team members).

**SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS**

Submissions will undergo preliminary assessment. The proposals that are adjudged promising and capable of developing the telecommunications industry will be further evaluated by another level of assessors. Sponsors/authors of research submissions may be invited for defense of their proposals before a decision is taken on whether the Commission will fund their project(s) or not.

Interested researchers are invited to submit both hard and soft copies of their research proposals on or before 30th April, 2016 addressed to:

The Executive Vice Chairman/CEO

*Attention:*
The Head,
New Media and Information Security,
Nigerian Communications Commission,
Plot 423 Aguiyi Ironsi Street,
Maitama, Abuja.