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#### KADUNA STATE UNIVERSITY HOSTS 3RD ARNU WORKSHOP AND 77TH BUSINESS MEETING



2ns from right Sitting: ARNU Chairman Dr. Bala I. Ahmed with EXCO members on a courtesy visit to KASU Management

aduna State University (KASU) successfully hosted the 3rd Registrar's Workshop and the 77th Business Meeting of the Association of Registrars of Nigerian Universities (ARNU) with the theme "University Ranking in the face of Global Competitiveness: The Way Forward for Nigerian Universities," from Monday, 12th to Friday, 17th May 2025.

The programme commenced with a courtesy visit by the ARNU leadership to the Vice Chancellor of KASU, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa on Tuesday, 13th May 2025. The delegation, led by ARNU Chairman,

Dr. Bala I. Ahmed, expressed gratitude to the university for hosting the event. He introduced the association and commended the Vice Chancellor for the warm reception, ARNU's reaffirming commitment promoting administrative excellence across Nigerian universities. The ARNU Executive Committee also paid a courtesy visit to the Emir of Zazzau, His Royal Highness, Ambassador Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli, CFR.

The conference formally kicked-off on Wednesday, 14th May 2025 with a welcome address by the Registrar of KASU, Samira Balarabe, Esq.

She warmly received participants from across the country, expressing her delight at hosting the gathering and encouraging attendees to maximize knowledge-sharing the opportunities the event offered.

In his remarks, Dr. Bala I. Ahmed commended KASU's hospitality, describing the environment as both welcoming and inspiring. He gave special appreciation to Barr. Samira Balarabe for her outstanding support and dedication. He further urged Nigerian universities to support ARNU's capacity-building initiatives, emphasizing the relevance of the conference theme in light of current challenges in the education sector. A key focus of the workshop was the integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in university administration to enhance global visibility.

Declaring workshop the open, Vice Chancellor Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa noted that the programme aligns with KASU's strategic goals. While recognizing the role of global university rankings, he stressed that institutional impact—measured by improvements in lives and contributions national development—should take precedence.

He reaffirmed KASU's commitment to delivering 21st-century academic programmes that address local and national challenges.



KASU - VC, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa



The Emir of Zazzau, His Royal Highness, Ambassador Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli, CFR and KASU Registrar Barr. Samira Balarabe



A cultural performance by students from the Department of Theatre and Performing Arts added vibrancy to the opening ceremony, reflecting values of unity and collaboration.



Student cultural performance by the Department of Theatre and Performing Arts.

Mr. Adewale Bakare, Deputy Director of Corporate Services, represented the Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission (NUC), Prof. Abdullahi Ribadu. He commended the organisers and emphasized the vital role of university administrators in driving transformation. Similarly, goodwill messages were delivered by the Chief Judge of Kaduna State, Hon. Justice Muhammad Tukur Mu'azu Aliyu (represented by Mr. Benjamin Hassan, Chief Registrar, High Court), and the Kaduna Commissioner of Police, CP State Muhammad Rabiu (represented by Assistant Commissioner of Police, Mr. Idris Bunu).

The Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Her Excellency, Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe, was represented by the Director-General, Kaduna State Schools Quality Assurance Authority, Prof. Usman Abubakar Zaria. He applauded ARNU's leadership and highlighted the state government's commitment to education, noting that 26 percent of the state's revenue has been allocated to the sector under Governor Uba Sani's administration.



Rep. of Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Her Excellency, Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe, Prof. Usman Abubakar Zaria, DG Kaduna State Schools Quality Assurance Authority

Dr. K'tso Nghargbu, Director of Linkages and International Cooperation at Nasarawa State University, Keffi, spoke on the importance of strategic partnerships. He urged universities to engage with reputable institutions, establish sustainable endowment funds, enhance their online presence, and sign more Memoranda of Understanding to strengthen global rankings.



Dr. K'tso Nghargbu, Director of Linkages and International Cooperation at Nasarawa State University, Keffi

Delivering the keynote address, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa emphasized the need for universities to establish clear benchmarks and continuously assess their strengths and weaknesses. He argued that should prioritize rankings knowledge production and societal impact over mere statistics. He advocated for a shift from foreign academic models to indigenous frameworks that reflect Nigeria's unique realities. He also underscored the critical role of registrars in shaping conversations around global rankings and indigenous knowledge systems. Urging the promotion of African perspectives in global academia, he called for a transition from epistemological mimicry to epistemological ownership.

Mr Joseph Ifeoluwa presented a paper titled "University Cooperation and Strengthening Institutional Partnerships for Academic Excellence." He advocated for enhanced inter-university collaboration, the promotion of entrepreneurial talent, the facilitation of innovation, and stronger alumni engagement to address global challenges.

The Dean of the Faculty of Computing at Kaduna State University, Dr. Muhammad Aminu Ahmad, delivered a lecture on "Exploring Artificial Intelligence as a Veritable for Tool Administrative Excellence." He outlined how AI can optimise administrative processes including automation, fraud detection, workflow allocation, communication, resource collection, predictive feedback and forecasting. He recommended improvements in infrastructure, language support, power supply, and staff training as essential for harnessing the benefits of AI.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by the Secretary-General of ARNU, Rev. Daniel Igwilo, Registrar of Tansian University, Umunya Anambra State.



A cross section of participants



Participants enjoying their lunch break

### WELCOMING THE FUTURE: KASU MATRICULATES FRESH STUDENTS, UNVEILS 21ST-CENTURY COURSES AND TIKTOK CREATIVITY CHALLENGE



Matriculating students

aduna State University (KASU) held its 2024/2025 matriculation ceremony on Tuesday, 15th April 2025, to formally welcome newly admitted undergraduate and postgraduate students. The event, held at the 1000-Seater Auditorium, marked a pivotal milestone in the academic journey of the fresh intakes.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa, welcomed the students in the presence of university management, staff, parents, guardians, and well-wishers. In his address, Prof. Musa charged the matriculating students to stay committed to their academic goals, strive for excellence, and make full use of KASU's learning resources—including the library, laboratories, and internet facilities—to enrich their educational experience.

He commended parents and guardians for entrusting the university with the responsibility of shaping the future of their children and wards. Prof. Musa concluded his speech with an inspiring message, urging the students to "think big and aim high."



From Left: DVC,(Academic), Prof. Yusha'u I. Ango, KASU - VC, Prof. Abdullahi I Musa, DVC- SI&SD, Prof. Helen A Andow and DVC Admin. Prof. Bashir Ali

Following the administration of the matriculation oath by the Registrar, Samira Balarabe, Esq., the Vice Chancellor officially declared the students bona fide members of the university community, in line with the authority vested in him by the Senate.

A key highlight of the event was the recognition of students from the newly established Faculty of Engineering, who matriculated for the first time in the Departments of Electrical, Mechanical, and Computer Engineering. The Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Yusha'u I. Ango, also announced the introduction of cutting-edge programmes designed to meet global demands. These include Data Science, Cyber Security, Information Systems, Engineering, Software Library and Information Science, B.Sc. Broadcasting, and B.Sc. Journalism.

In a unique and exciting twist, the university launched a TikTok Creativity Challenge, inviting students to create engaging content that showcases their creativity and campus experience. The best submission will receive a N50,000 prize—an initiative aimed at fostering innovation and celebrating the vibrancy of university life.



The KASU band leading the march past following the Matriculation and Oath-taking ceremony.



Cross - section of matriculating students

### KADUNA STATE UNIVERSITY PARTNERS WITH SKIPPER POWER TO EMPOWER YOUTHS IN RENEWABLE ENERGY



The graduating students

he Kaduna Skipper Electrical Electronics and Renewable Energy Academy (KADSEEREA) recently held its graduation and certificate award ceremony, celebrating a new cohort of trained youth in renewable energy technologies. The event was graced by notable dignitaries, including the Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Her Excellency Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe, and the Vice Chancellor of Kaduna State University (KASU), Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa.

In his welcome address, the President of Skipper Power, Mr. Jitendra Satchdeva, appreciated the unwavering support of the Kaduna State Government and Kaduna State University. He congratulated the graduates and urged them to utilize their newly acquired skills to drive change and innovation in the energy sector.



A group photo of Kaduna Skipper Electrical Electronics and Renewable Energy Academy (KADSEEREA) and other representatives during the event



2<sup>nd</sup> from right: President of Skipper Power, Mr. Jitendra Satchdeva, Kaduna State Deputy Governor, Her Excellecny, Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe and KASU-VC Prof Abdullahi I Musa

Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa expressed profound gratitude to the Governor of Kaduna State for facilitating the Skipper initiative in the state. He acknowledged the contributions of Skipper Power and commended the Deputy Governor for her continued support. He congratulated the graduands for their dedication, noting, "KASU will establish a solar power consultancy, and five graduates from this academy will be employed to form the nucleus of the new office."

Delivering her remarks, Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe conveyed the goodwill of the Governor and congratulated the graduating students. She praised KADSEEREA for its commitment to youth empowerment through technical training and thanked the university community for its support. She encouraged the graduands to be bold, innovative, and purposeful in applying their knowledge, affirming that "the world is waiting for you to shine forth."

Certificates were presented to the deserving graduates by the Deputy Governor, Vice Chancellor, and other dignitaries. The ceremony concluded with a photo session, symbolizing a key milestone in the strategic partnership between KASU and Skipper Power, aimed at empowering Kaduna's youth and advancing renewable energy development.



KASU-VC Prof Abdullahi I Musa



Kaduna State Deputy Governor, Her Excellectcy Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe

# DEPUTY GOVERNOR TO KASU STUDENTS: SKILLS, NOT JUST CERTIFICATES, DRIVE CAREER SUCCESS



From left: Kaduna State Commissioner for Education, Prof. Mohammed Sani Bello, Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Her Excellency, Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe, KASU - VC, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa,

he Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Dr. Hadiza Balarabe, has urged university students and graduates to prioritise the development of practical skills, teamwork, and effective communication, noting that employers increasingly value these attributes over academic certificates.

She made this call on Wednesday, 16th April 2025, during her keynote address at the Career Readiness Workshop organised by the Centre for Mentorship and Career Development at Kaduna State University (KASU).

the theme "Life After Speaking on Graduation: Challenges, **Navigating** Opportunities, Exploring Career and Building a Path to Success," Dr. Balarabe emphasised the importance of continuous self-development. "In today's workplace, digital competence is no longer optional – it is essential," she said, citing the growing influence of Artificial Intelligence, Big Data, and digital collaboration tools in modern careers.

She encouraged graduates to embrace lifelong learning and innovation, viewing education as a foundation for critical thinking, problem-solving, and adaptability in a rapidly changing world.

In his remarks, the Vice Chancellor of KASU, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa, reaffirmed the university's competitiveness and commitment to academic excellence. Also speaking at the event, the Kaduna State Commissioner for Education, Prof. Mohammed Sani Bello, lauded KASU's leadership in several disciplines and commended the Centre for guiding students toward meaningful career paths.



Barde Kerarriyan Zazzau, Arc. Haruna Bamalli, representing the Emir of Zazzau, HRH Ambassador Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli, CFR.

Represented by the Barde Kerarriyan Zazzau, Arc. Haruna Bamalli, the Emir of Zazzau, HRH Ambassador Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli, commended the initiative, describing it as timely and essential in addressing the career preparedness gap among graduates. He urged students to take full advantage of such platforms, stressing that character, discipline, and resilience are just as important as academic qualifications in building successful careers. The Emir also expressed his confidence in KASU's efforts to equip students with the right mindset and tools for the future.

The Director of the Centre, Dr. Bashariya Baba Mustapha, highlighted the Centre's role in preparing students for life beyond the classroom, thanking stakeholders for their continued support and collaboration.

The students were taken through various topics including Character Presentation: Building Integrity and Professionalism by Prof. Ayodele A. Omengala, Interview Skills for Career Success by the Registrar of KASU, Samira Balarabe, Esq., Impact of Social Media in Career Opportunities and Employability by the Managing Director, Kaduna State Media Corporation, Mal. Ahmed Maiyaki, and Curriculum Vitae Presentation by the Secretary, College of Postgraduate Studies, KASU, Mr. Lucky Kantoma.

The event also featured a vibrant panel discussion where industry experts and professionals shared valuable insights on navigating the transition from academic life to the world of work.

Delivering the vote of thanks, the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Strategy, Innovation and Service Delivery, Prof. Helen Afang Andow, expressed heartfelt appreciation to all dignitaries, facilitators, and participants for their presence and invaluable contributions. She specifically thanked the Deputy Governor for her inspiring keynote address, describing it as a wake-up call for students to focus on developing 21st-century skills. Prof. the Centre for Andow commended Mentorship and Career Development for its proactive approach in empowering students and pledged the university's continued support toward initiatives that enhance graduate employability. She concluded by encouraging students to reflect deeply on the lessons learned and to take deliberate steps towards building successful, purpose-driven careers.



From left: Prof. Hauwa'u E. Yusuf; Dr. Bashariyya Baba; KASU Registrar, Barr. Samira Balarabe; Barde Kerarriyan Zazzau, Arc. Haruna Bamalli; Kaduna State Commissioner for Education, Prof. Mohammed Sani Bello; Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Her Excellency Dr. Hadiza Sabuwa Balarabe; KASU Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi I. Musa; and others.

### NORTHWEST STUDENTS RECEIVE FINANCIAL GRANTS WORTH #5 BILLION — SPEAKER ABBAS FLAGS OFF DISBURSEMENT



Students receiving financial grants from key dignitaries, including the Speaker House of Representatives Rt. Hon. Abbas Tajudeen, . Minister of Environment, Malam Balarabe Abbas Lawal; Kaduna State House Speaker, Rt. Hon. Yusuf Dahiru Liman; SMEDAN DG, Dr. Charles Odii; APC National Vice Chairman (Northwest), Hon. Garba Datti Muhammad; APC Kaduna Chairman, Air Commodore Emmanuel Jekada (Rtd)

Nigeria's Northwest region have received financial grants ranging from \$\frac{1}{2}200,000\$ to \$\frac{1}{8}800,000\$, under a special educational support initiative spearheaded by the Honourable Speaker of the House of Representatives, Rt. Hon. Abbas Tajudeen.

The disbursement ceremony, which marked the official flag-off of the grant, brought together students from various tertiary institutions across the region. A total of \\$5 billion was instantly transferred to the accounts of the beneficiaries.

The event was hosted at the Dr. M. I. Maccido Hall of the Federal University of Education, Zaria. The Acting Vice Chancellor of the institution, Dr. Sulaiman Balarabe, welcomed the Speaker and other dignitaries to the ceremony.

Speaking on behalf of the heads of tertiary institutions in the Northwest, the Vice Chancellor of Kaduna State University (KASU), Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa, lauded the initiative. He noted that the grants arrived at a critical time, offering muchneeded support to students and easing the financial burden on their families.

The high-profile event was graced by several dignitaries, including the Honourable Minister of Environment, Malam Balarabe Abbas Lawal; the Speaker of the Kaduna State House of Assembly, Rt. Hon. Yusuf Dahiru Liman; the Director-General of SMEDAN, Dr. Charles Odii; the APC National Vice Chairman (Northwest), Hon. Garba Datti Muhammad; the Chairman of APC Kaduna State, Air Commodore Emmanuel Jekada (Rtd.); along with Vice Chancellors, Rectors, Director-Generals, and other distinguished guests.

While addressing the gathering, Rt. Hon. Tajudeen Abbas reaffirmed his commitment to supporting students and advancing educational development across the country. He also commended the management of the Federal University of Education, Zaria, for providing a conducive environment and for hosting the event seamlessly.

The grant initiative is part of Speaker Abbas's broader commitment to promoting educational opportunities and fostering national development through youth empowerment



KASU-VC Prof Abdullahi I Musa and other dignitaries at the disbursement ceremony



#### KASU LIBRARY ORGANISES ORCID WORKSHOP TO ENHANCE STAFF VISIBILITY



KASU Staff at the ORICD workshop

Information Systems and Services organised a workshop on Monday, 14th April 2025 aimed at enhancing the global visibility of academic staff through the use of Open Researcher and Contributor ID (ORCID). ORCID is a unique digital identifier that functions like an academic social media profile, allowing researchers to upload their academic portfolios and link all their scholarly activities in one place.

The training session was designed to equip staff with the knowledge and skills needed to create, manage, and maximise their ORCID profiles for greater research exposure and collaboration opportunities. The Library also announced its commitment to assisting interested staff members in setting up and optimising their ORCID accounts.

#### STRENGTHENING QUALITY IN LABORATORY MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SERVICES: KASU HOSTS **GROUNDBREAKING SEMINAR**



Seminar Attendees

n a strategic move to enhance laboratory management and information services, Kaduna State University (KASU) hosted a high-level professional development seminar at the university library. The event convened experts, academics, and technologists in a knowledge-sharing collaborative session anchored on global best practices and tailored to local institutional needs.

The seminar commenced with a welcome remark by Dr. Esther Gani, delivered on behalf of the University Librarian, Dr. Babangida Umar Dangani. She underscored the critical role of quality in modern systems, particularly in laboratory operations and information management. Citing World Health Organization (WHO) standards, she emphasized the need for institutions to align international quality with assurance frameworks while integrating emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Biosecurity. Biosafety, and Dr. Gani highlighted information resource management as a cornerstone of institutional growth and warmly welcomed participants.

The keynote address was delivered by the Director, Laboratory Services, Prof. Timothy Bulus, who stressed the importance of contextualizing international best practices for local application. He lauded the seminar as a timely and impactful platform for capacity building, urging sustained focus on quality improvement across institutional processes.

Prof. the quality Bulus praised of and recommended more presentations focused, topic-specific seminars in the future. He underscored the significance of data management and discussed the Directorate of Laboratory Services' plans to roll out certified training programs for undergraduate and postgraduate students—an initiative already approved by the university. He also advocated for the strengthening of SIWES Work Industrial Experience (Student Scheme) counseling as a practical tool for student development.

A highlight of the seminar was a detailed presentation by Hajia Rabiyat Abubakar on laboratory management. Her lecture covered essential topics such as inventory control, quality assurance in lab testing, and the implementation of standard operating (SOPs) academic procedures across laboratories. "SOPs are not just protocols they are legacies we pass on to the next generation," she noted. She also emphasized meticulous documentation and recordkeeping as critical to audit readiness and accountability.

Addressing systemic challenges, Hajia Rabiyat identified persistent issues such as inconsistent power supply, water shortages, staff turnover, and difficulties in maintaining laboratory standards. She advocated for improved infrastructure—specifically provision of inverters—and the recruitment of additional technical personnel to boost service delivery.

An interactive session gave stakeholders the opportunity to share insights and propose actionable recommendations. Mr. Aliyu Garba, Chairman of the **National** Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT), expressed appreciation to the university for organizing the seminar. He urged the administration to prioritize proper training for staff handling newly acquired laboratory equipment and emphasized the need for specialized hires to optimize equipment use.

Adding to the discourse, Prof. Bashir Sodipo of the Department of Physics and Deputy Director, Research and Development educational adopting and suggested technological models from countries like Finland, renowned for their effective systems. In his closing remarks, Prof. Bashir Sodipo applauded the seminar's contribution to professional development and recommended that such training be made mandatory for all laboratory personnel. He reiterated that training continuous professional fundamental to delivering quality services.

Dignitaries in attendance included Prof. Timothy Bulus (Director, Directorate of Laboratory Services), Prof. Bashir Sodipo (Deputy Director, Research and Development), Mrs. Halima Usman (Head of Aliyu E-Learning), and Mr. Garba (Chairman, NAAT).

This seminar marks a pivotal step in advancement, reaffirming institutional KASU's commitment to excellence in academic and operational standards.



Prof. Timothy Bulus (Director, Directorate of Laboratory Services)

### SSANU KASU BRANCH ORGANISES TRAINING FOR STAFF ON ADVANCING WORK EFFICIENCY THROUGH MICROSOFT TOOLS AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES



SSANU KASU Branch Chairperson, Hajiya Sa'adiyya Mustapha with EXCO members

professional development and enhancing digital competence among university staff, the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), Kaduna State University (KASU) Branch, organized a specialized training program for its members from Tuesday, 15th to Wednesday, 16th April 2025.

Themed "Advancing Work Efficiency Through Microsoft Tools and Emerging Technologies," the training aimed to equip staff with practical knowledge and digital skills to boost productivity and seamlessly adapt to emerging technological trends in the workplace.

The program featured hands-on sessions covering key digital tools and concepts, including:

Microsoft Word and Excel

Basic Data Management Techniques

Navigating Emerging Productivity Tools

Applications of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the Workplace

A major highlight of the event was a practical demonstration by Mr. Umar Faruk Abdulhamid of the Directorate of ICT, Kaduna State University. His session emphasized the efficient use of Microsoft Word for professional document preparation, guiding participants on:

Selecting appropriate font styles and sizes for clarity and professionalism

Applying correct paragraphing techniques for proper document structure

Utilizing essential features to produce polished and error-free documents

The interactive nature of the training encouraged participants to engage directly with the tools, ask questions, and apply their knowledge under expert supervision.



Mr. Umar Faruk Abdulhamid

SSANU KASU Branch Chairperson, Hajiya Sa'adiyya Mustapha, described the training as a timely and impactful initiative aimed at strengthening the digital capacity and work efficiency of staff. Participants expressed appreciation for the practical focus of the sessions and welcomed the opportunity to enhance their skills in line with global best practices.



SSANU KASU Staff in Hands-on Training on Microsoft Tools and Emerging Technologies to Boost Digital Literacy and Workplace Efficiency.

The association reaffirmed its dedication to continuous capacity-building programs that empower university staff to meet the evolving demands of a technology-driven academic and administrative environment.

#### Suggested Caption:

SSANU KASU Empowers Staff with Handson Training on Microsoft Tools and Emerging Technologies to Boost Digital Literacy and Workplace Efficiency.



From left - Prof. Maryam Abdu, DVC-Academic, Prof. Yushau Ango, President Automobile and Touring club of Nigeria, Mr Ishaku Bamaiyi, KASU-VC Prof. Abdullahi I. Musa, DVC- SI&SD Prof. Helen Afang Andow, Deputy Dean Student Affairs Division, Dr. MK Dauda, KASU Bursar, Haj. Hauwau Mohammed Dalhat

aduna State University (KASU) recently played host to a delegation from the Automobile and Touring Club of Nigeria (ATCN) seeking strategic collaboration on road safety, sustainable mobility, and youth empowerment initiatives.

During the visit, the team shared their ongoing efforts under the Traffic for Youths initiative, which targets young people. The initiative aims to enhance youth engagement in road safety awareness and advocacy, with plans to reach 5,000 youths in both Kaduna and Abuja. They also highlighted their sustainability project, which involves using waste products to create functional furniture for sale a creative initiative that contributes to environmental conservation and carbon reduction efforts.

In partnership with Kaduna State University, the organisation will host a two-day advocacy programme titled "Promoting Safe and Sustainable Mobility for Youth." The programme is designed to address road safety challenges, raise awareness among young people, and drive policy discussions on mobility and sustainability.

Welcoming the visitors, the Vice-Chancellor of Kaduna State University, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa expressed appreciation for selecting KASU as a partner, noting that the initiative aligns perfectly with the University's Strategic Plan. He emphasised KASU's commitment to sustainability through its KASU Green programme and the adoption of digital learning platforms, which help reduce carbon emissions associated with physical mobility.

### YOUTH, SAFETY, AND SUSTAINABILITY: KASU EXPLORES COLLABORATION WITH MOTORSPORT ADVOCATES

He also referenced KASU's existing partnership with the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) in the implementation of road safety plans and policies. The Vice-Chancellor reiterated the importance of tailoring interventions to suit Africa's unique mobility and safety challenges.

This collaboration represents a significant step towards empowering young people, promoting road safety, and advancing sustainable development in the region.



KASU - VC, Prof. Abudllahi I. Musa and President Automobile and Touring Club of Nigeria, Mr. Ishaku Bamaiyi

#### KASU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SUSTAINS SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS



From left sitting: Deputy Dean Student Affairs Division, Dr. MK Dauda, DVC- Academic, Prof. Yushau I. Ango, President of the KASU Alumni Association, Abdulhadi Abdullahi, KASU-VC Prof Abdullahi I Musa, DVC- SI&SD, Prof. Helen A. Andow. Standing at the back are student beneficiaries.

The Kaduna State University (KASU)
Alumni Association has continued its
commendable tradition of supporting
students through scholarships.

According to the President of the Association, Abdulhadi Abdullahi, the initiative, which saw 22 students benefit last year, has been sustained with 20 new beneficiaries selected this year. He explained that the selection was based on talent, academic merit, and financial need.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa, expressed gratitude to the Alumni Association for their unwavering support. He noted that since the current administration came on board, it has focused on building a student-centered foundation for the university's development.

He commended the foresight of the Alumni Association and encouraged the beneficiaries to emulate such acts of generosity—not only while they are still students but also after graduation.

The scholarship programme reflects the strong bond between the university and its alumni, and the role of former students in enhancing educational access and community development at KASU.

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#### KADUNA STATE UNIVERSITY COMMEMORATES WORLD HEALTH DAY WITH CAMPUS-WIDE HEALTH AWARENESS EVENT



Resource persons alongside some event participants

Aduna State University (KASU) joined the global community in commemorating World Health Day through a campus-wide event aimed at promoting health awareness among students. Centered on the theme of wellness, the event which took place on Monday, 7th April 2025, spotlighted key health services provided by the Kaduna State Government and encouraged students to actively engage in conversations around health and well-being.

Malam Abubakar Hassan, Director General of the Kaduna State Contributory Health Management Authority (KADCHMA), addressed the gathering and provided insight into the concept and benefits of health emphasized He insurance. that KADCHMA's services are tailored to meet the critical health needs of the community not only for the working class and government employees but also for vulnerable individuals and students in tertiary institutions through a dedicated student health insurance scheme.

Also speaking at the event was Dr. Omolara Ibinola, Head of Treatment Services at the Kaduna State Bureau for Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (KADBUSA), who represented the Director General, Mr. Joseph O. Ike. Dr. Ibinola raised concern over the growing trend of recreational drug use among youths, noting that many are struggling with hidden emotional and psychological challenges. She called on students, particularly those in health-related disciplines, to exercise self-discipline and use their access to prescription drugs responsibly.



The resource persons Director General, KADCHMA, Mallam Hassan Abubakar and Head of treatment services, Dr. Omolara Ibinola

Dr. Ibinola further underscored the importance of mental health, urging KASU management to incorporate mental health education into the university curriculum. She also highlighted KADBUSA's ongoing initiatives, which include drug rehabilitation, HIV and hepatitis screenings, counseling for gender-based violence, and integrated mental health services.

Dr. Sumayya, another key speaker, emphasized the importance of community service and health education. She expressed optimism that the event would become an annual tradition, given its positive impact on students and the wider community.

The event featured an engaging interactive session, where students asked questions and exchanged ideas with the health representatives. Following the discussions, free health services were offered, including blood pressure checks, HIV and hepatitis screenings, genotype testing, and the distribution of sanitary pads.

This impactful initiative reflects Kaduna State University's unwavering commitment to promoting health awareness and promoting the overall well-being of its students and the broader community.



From left Mr. Kantiok Shem, Mrs. Amina Mustapha, Prof. Hauwau E. Yusuf, Dr. Bashariya B. Mustapha and Dr. MK Dauda

Kaduna State University (KASU) students were actively engaged at the Kaduna Career Fair 2025, held on Saturday, 5th April 2025 at the Umaru Musa Yar'adua Hall, Murtala Square, Kaduna. The event was organized by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Technology in collaboration with Jobberman, with the aim of bridging the gap between young talents and top employers across various sectors.

### CAREER PATHWAYS IN FOCUS AS KASU ENGAGES AT KADUNA CAREER FAIR 2025

Representing the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa, the Director of the Centre for Mentorship and Career Development, Dr. Bashariya B. Mustapha, delivered a goodwill message, emphasizing the university's commitment to fostering industry-ready graduates and promoting meaningful career pathways for students.

The keynote address was delivered by the Special Adviser to the Vice Chancellor on Research Culture, Prof. Hauwau Evelyn Yusuf, who underscored the importance of innovation, digital skills, and adaptability in today's competitive job market.

The KASU delegation also included the Deputy Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. M.K. Dauda, Mrs. Amina .M. Mustapha, Mr. Kantiok Shem, and a vibrant group of students who took full advantage of the networking and learning opportunities presented at the fair.

The event marked a significant step toward strengthening university-industry collaboration and enhancing the employability of KASU graduates.



From left: Dean, Faculty of Communication and Media Studies, Prof. Ayodele Joseph, Dir. CMCD. Dr. Bashariyya B. Mustapha, HL Lead Consultant, Popoola Paul, Mindset Coach, Elisha Mamman, CEO, iHifix Digital Academy, Emmanuel Adikpe

The Music and Motivation conference, themed "Imagining Possibilities," was a groundbreaking event the first of its kind in Kaduna State and Nigeria. It was designed to motivate, inspire, and empower young people, particularly students in tertiary institutions, by fostering belief in their potential and the future of the nation amidst current realities and societal challenges.

The conference featured accomplished speakers from various fields, who shared relatable personal stories of overcoming adversity to achieve success. Through their testimonies, the event reignited hope, instilled grit, and fueled ambition among participants.

# WHERE PASSION MEETS PURPOSE, AND MUSIC IGNITES POSSIBILITIES — THE 'MUSIC AND MOTIVATION' CONFERENCE LEAVES AN INDELIBLE MARK ON THE HEARTS OF THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

Blending the power of music, inspiration, and personal development, the conference brought together renowned musicians, industry leaders, motivational speakers, and creatives to explore how music influences success, productivity, and personal growth.

Without a doubt, Music and Motivation was more than just an event it was a platform for transformation, where passion met purpose and music met motivation.

Speakers like Emmanuel Adikpe (CEO, iHifix Digital Academy), Elisha Mamman (Convener, The Winning Mindset), Prof. Ayodele Joseph (Dean, Faculty of Communication and Media Studies), Hon. Chike Okafor, Ph.D. (House Committee Food Security Chairman on and Nutrition), and Popoola Paul (Lead Consultant, HLConsult Training Solutions) all inspired the audience to dream beyond boundaries and imagine new possibilities.

Feedback from participants clearly showed how impactful the conference was, and it will no doubt remain a cherished memory for a long time to come.

Special appreciation goes to the Management of Kaduna State University and the Department of Communication and Media Studies for their invaluable support.



Cross- section of Participants



### CAMPUS SAFETY BEGINS WITH LEADERSHIP! KASU JOINS ALLIANCES FOR AFRICA AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS TO EXPLORE HOW UNIVERSITY GOVERNING COUNCILS CAN DRIVE CHANGE AND ELIMINATE HARASSMENT IN NIGERIAN TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS.



Official flier for the Campus Safety Conversation

Kaduna State University (KASU) participated in an engaging online conversation hosted by Alliances for Africa, an organisation dedicated to promoting gender equality and protecting the rights of women and girls.

Held on Friday, 25th April 2025, via X Spaces (formerly Twitter Spaces), the discussion explored the pivotal role university governing councils can play in tackling sexual harassment across Nigerian tertiary institutions.

The session featured notable speakers, including the SA to the the Vice-Chancellor of KASU on Research Culture, Prof. Hauwa'u E. Yusuf, Professor of Criminology and Gender Studies; Prof. Chidi Odinkalu, Professor of Law and Practice at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, USA

Emmanuella Osuji, Esq, Legal and Partnerships Officer at Alliances for Africa; and Dr. Plangsat Dayil, Deputy Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Jos. The session was moderated by acclaimed writer and journalist, Wana Udobang.

Dr. Plangsat Dayil highlighted that Alliances for Africa has created platforms enabling students to report gender-based harassment safely, leading to the dismissal of several lecturers found guilty and encouraging many institutions to adopt student-focused sexual harassment policies.

Moderator Wana Udobang pressed for more transparency and clarity in procedures following harassment reports, underscoring the need for accessible, victim-centered protocols.

Prof. Chidi Odinkalu lauded the initiative, stressing the importance of sensitising lecturers on harassment standards and maintaining professionalism, including discouraging off-campus meetings with students.

Alarmingly, the discussion revealed that 63% of students have experienced some form of sexual harassment, with significant barriers still hindering reporting and redress.

Ms. Emmanuella Osuji highlighted critical gaps in documentation and capacity within university governing councils, many of which consist of political appointees, complicating accountability efforts. She advocated for the public recognition of administrators who actively foster safe, harassment-free environments.

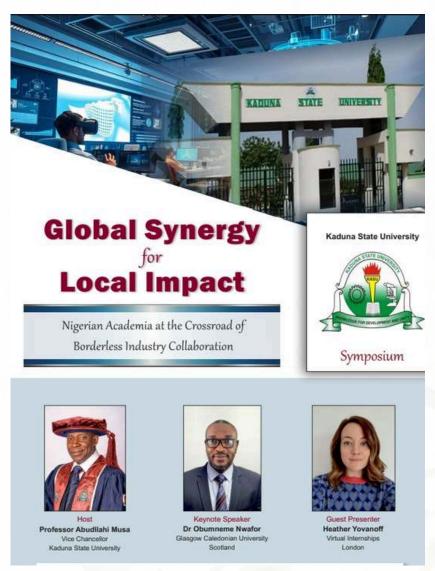
Strengthening Awareness and Institutional Frameworks

Alliances for Africa continues to champion campus sensitisation initiatives, educate students and staff about harassment and related issues like body shaming, and advocate for the publicising of sanctions against offenders as a deterrent.

Participants recommended closer collaboration between student bodies and governing councils, regular engagement forums, and an emphasis on professionalism among students and staff alike.

The session closed with a strong call for continuous sensitisation, robust documentation processes, enforcement of clear policies, and inclusive stakeholder collaboration to create safe, harassment-free learning spaces across Nigeria.

### KASU FORGES GLOBAL LINKS FOR LOCAL IMPACT: EXPERTS CHAMPION ACADEMIA-INDUSTRY COLLABORATION TO BOOST GRADUATE EMPLOYABILITY AT ONLINE SYMPOSIUM



Official flier for the Global Synergy for Local Impact

Kaduna State University (KASU) recently hosted an online symposium titled "Global Synergy for Local Impact: Nigerian Academia at the Crossroad of Borderless Industry Collaboration". Held on Monday, 28th April 2025, the event was organized by the University's Committee for Inaugural Lectures, Workshop and Seminar under the directive of Management.

The Keynote Speaker, Dr. Obumneme Nwafor from Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland, delivered an insightful address on fostering global partnerships for innovation and aligning academic institutions with evolving industry demands enhance graduate employability. Quoting Albert Einstein on the value of open-mindedness, Dr. Nwafor emphasized the urgency for universities to adapt to contemporary changes to remain relevant and impactful.

In his presentation, Dr. Nwafor identified the persistent mismatch between academic training and industry requirements, often leading to post-graduation uncertainty. He stressed the need for academic curricula to evolve alongside industry advancements, with the aim of bridging the skills gap and preparing students for the global workforce.

Heather Yovanoff
Account Executive - UK,
Europe, MENA

Highlighting the growing global job market, he shared success stories of Nigerian graduates working remotely for international companies, reinforcing the need for graduates to acquire globally relevant skills. He advocated for partnerships with international experts to bridge knowledge and resource gaps within Nigerian academia.

Dr. Nwafor introduced the Knowledge Transfer Partnership (KTP) initiative, a model connecting academic institutions with businesses to drive innovation and solve industry challenges. He described how KTPs, through activities such as industry listening events and research roundtables, have been successfully implemented in developed countries and proposed their adoption within Nigerian universities to boost research and competitiveness.

Using the development of driverless cars as study, showcased the case he collaborations between institutions like MIT, Stanford, Berkeley, and and companies such as Waymo and Tesla, demonstrating the transformative potential of academia-industry partnerships.

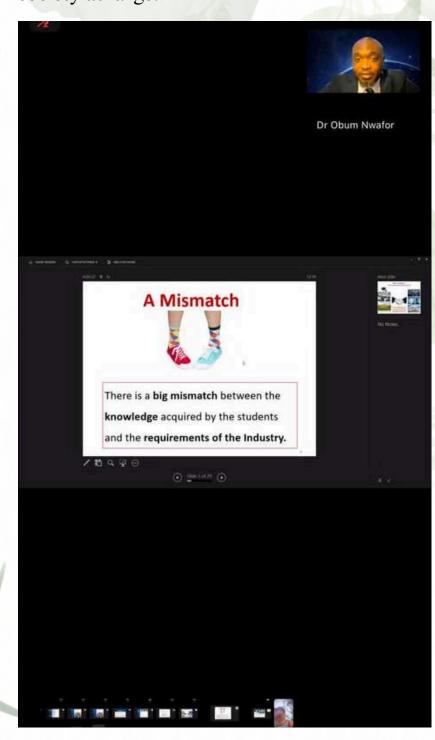
Additionally, Dr. Nwafor discussed the significance of multidisciplinary research partnerships, highlighting opportunities for local institutions to collaborate with international organizations to enhance capacity building, skill transfer, and solutions to local challenges. He concluded by announcing that several international research organizations have expressed interest in partnering with Kaduna State University.

The Guest Speaker, Heather Yovanoff from the Isle of Man, presented on Virtual Internships (VI), proposing a partnership to embed international remote internships into KASU's academic programs. This initiative promises to significantly improve student employability outcomes by offering guaranteed placements with a network of over 18,000 companies across 80 countries within six weeks of enrollment.

Yovanoff emphasized that the Ms. internships, characterized by flexibility, professional coaching, weekly support, and strong global networking opportunities, would equip students with essential skills, boost confidence, and enhance career readiness. Drawing on successful outcomes from partnerships like the one with Botho University in Botswana, she highlighted the potential for improved graduate employability and institutional marketing for KASU.

To reinforce the University's commitment to global collaboration and innovation, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Yushau I. Ango, and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Strategy, Innovation and Service Delivery), Prof. Helen A. Andow, delivered brief but impactful remarks on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi I. Musa and Management, expressing strong support for the initiatives discussed and the readiness of KASU to foster these collaborations.

The symposium concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by Prof. Bala Dogo, who appreciated all speakers, participants, and organizers for their valuable contributions and reaffirmed KASU's dedication to driving impactful academia-industry partnerships for the benefit of students and society at large.



### KASU BUILDS CAPACITY FOR ENHANCED STAKEHOLDER COLLABORATION AT ISTMS

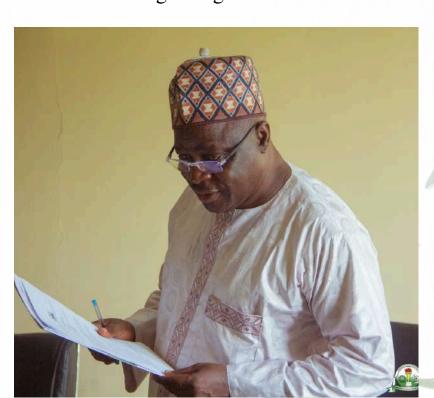


KASU DVC- Academic, Prof. Yushau Ibrahim Ango speaking during the ISTMS workshop

he Institute of Science, Technology and Management Studies (ISTMS) at Kaduna State University convened a capacitybuilding workshop on Thursday, 24th April 2025, under the theme "Stakeholder Engagement Towards Effective Service Delivery." The event brought together internal and external stakeholders to strengthen the Institute's role in academic community excellence, impact, entrepreneurship, and digital transformation.

In his opening remarks, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Yushau Ibrahim Ango underscored the urgency of realigning ISTMS with the University's strategic goals. He noted that, to achieve these goals, ISTMS must:

Realign its academic programmes with current market demands. Promote applied research with tangible societal impact. Develop a modern, relevant curriculum. Embrace digital learning technologies. Strengthen linkages with industry and other key stakeholders. Prof. Ango then outlined ISTMS's strategic targets for 2025–2028:



DVC, Academic, Prof. Yushau Ibrahim Ango

- 1. Introduction of demand-driven academic programmes
- 2. Establishment of strategic partnerships
- 3. Creation of an Innovation Hub
- 4. Increased student enrollment

He emphasized that cross-departmental collaboration will be crucial for success, thanked the ISTMS team and external partners for their support, and charged the Institute with evolving into a strategic enabler focused on innovation and execution to help shape Africa's future.



Director of ISTMS, Dr. Stephen James

Dr. Stephen James, Director of ISTMS, delivered a comprehensive presentation on the Institute's mandate, core values, mission, and vision, all centered on academic rigor, practical impact, and societal relevance. He also introduced newly launched programmes designed to address emerging needs in science, technology, and management education.

Stakeholder Engagement and Institutional Mandate

Prof. Abubakar S. Magaji, Provost of the College of Science, Computing, and Engineering, spoke on the vital role of stakeholders in fulfilling ISTMS's mandate. He explained that ISTMS offers diploma programmes in compliance with regulatory standards and comprises two main units:

- 1. Programmes Unit
- 2. Research and Documentation Unit Key stakeholders were identified as:

Internal: staff and students

External: government agencies, industry leaders, and development partners

Their roles include strategic decisionmaking, resource mobilization, policy development, research collaboration, and Magaji Prof. highlighted advocacy. challenges misaligned priorities, communication limited and gaps, resourcesand proposed strategies to address them:

Building trust through consistent, open dialogue

Defining clear, shared goals

Promoting transparency and accountability

Strengthening collaborative networks

Case studies showcased practical contributions from Directors, Deputy Directors, Centre Directors, and Programme Coordinators, reinforcing that stakeholder involvement is essential for ISTMS's growth and innovation.

The workshop provided a valuable forum for reflection, learning, and strategic planning. It concluded with a collective call for continuous collaboration, robust policy development, and sustained stakeholder engagement ensuring ISTMS becomes a catalyst for innovation, entrepreneurship, and academic excellence in Nigeria and beyond.



Deputy Director of ISTMS, Dr. Hillary Zaggi

# ADVANCING CANCER RESEARCH, EMPOWERING CHANGE — KASU HOSTS THE ECLS CONFERENCE 2025, UNITING YOUNG SCIENTISTS, EXPERTS, AND INNOVATORS TO BRIDGE THE GAP FROM BENCH TO BEDSIDE



Group shot from the Early Career Life Scientists (ECLS) Conference.

aduna State University (KASU) hosted the Early Career Life Scientists (ECLS) Conference 2025 from Tuesday, 6th to Wednesday, 7th May 2025. The Chairman of the Logistics and Welfare Subcommittee, Mrs. Naomi Bitrus David, stated that the theme, "Translational Cancer Research: Bridging the Gap from Bench to Bedside," highlighted the importance of transforming research into practical solutions to address the rising cancer burden in Nigeria. Key challenges discussed included late diagnosis, inadequate care, and poor infrastructure.



Prof. Helen O. Kwanashie, NOUN

The conference, organized by early career scientists, aimed life to empower participants to develop sustainable, locally driven health solutions. Mrs. David expressed gratitude to the sponsors, KASU distinguished leadership, speakers, and the organizing delegates, team, concluding with a call for collaboration to drive impactful change.

Prof. Abdullahi I. Musa, Vice Chancellor of KASU, officially opened the conference, commending the organizers, keynote speakers, and attendees. He emphasized the significance of education and addressed the pressing issue of cancer in Nigeria.

Prof. Tajudeen Ayodeji Olasinde from the Bello Ahmadu University Teaching Hospital, Zaria, presented on "The Future **Translational** Cancer Research: Prospects and Challenges," highlighting Nigeria's increasing cancer burden, with 127,763 new cases and 79,542 deaths reported in 2022. He underscored the importance of early diagnosis and outlined available treatment options, while stressing the need for collaboration and innovation to overcome challenges such as limited funding and inadequate infrastructure.

Dr. Lyndy McGaw from the University of Pretoria, South Africa, discussed the potential of ethnoveterinary medicine in anticancer research, emphasizing the integration of traditional knowledge and local plants to enhance health outcomes. She highlighted the importance of collaborating with traditional healers to unlock the therapeutic potential of these plants.

In her session on "Lessons of Professional Development in the Rapidly Evolving Domain of the Life Sciences," Prof. Helen O. Kwanashie of the National Open University of Nigeria stressed the importance of continuous learning and adaptability for career success, recommending networking and mentorship as key strategies.

Dr. Asma'u Ismail-Junaidu Bashir, a staff member of KASU, presented on "Targeted Cancer Therapy," discussing its transformative impact on treatment through the precision targeting of cancer cells. She reviewed various types of targeted therapies and highlighted ongoing research aimed at overcoming challenges such as drug resistance.



VC - KASU receiving an award from the organizers of the ECLS Conference

conference featured The networking opportunities and poster viewing at the library, university along with oral presentations by abstract presenters. Additionally, a breakout session for a CV/resumé clinic and a scientific workshop held. An award presentation, was spearheaded by Ahmed Danbala Ahmed, Chairman of the Scientific Subcommittee, recognized the best oral and poster presentations. The event concluded with closing remarks from Mr. Kenneth Bitrus Chairman of the Planning David, Committee and Head of the Publicity and Sponsorship Subcommittee.



The keynote speaker being presented with an award during the conference.

#### KASU AND ATCN HOLDS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY FOR YOUTHS



Group photograph of participants at the high-impact awareness program organized by the Automobile and Touring Club of Nigeria (ATCN)

The Kaduna State University in partnership with the Automobile and Touring Club of Nigeria (ATCN) organized a high-impact awareness program themed "Promoting Safe and Sustainable Mobility for Youth", aimed at promoting safe driving practices and environmental sustainability among young people, especially students. The event took place on Tuesday, 29th and Wednesday 30th April 2025.

Delivering a goodwill message on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor of Kaduna State University (KASU), Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academics), Prof. Yushau Ibrahim Ango, described the awareness campaign as timely and highly beneficial. He emphasized the importance of safe driving both within and university environment, outside the stressing that the initiative would significantly influence attitudes towards traffic laws among the youths. He further encouraged participants become to advocates of safe driving in their various communities.

Also speaking at the event, the Kaduna State Coordinator of the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency (NESREA), Mr. Henna Emmanuel Dangari, called on participants to environmentally be conscious. He noted that the consequences of neglecting environmental protection are far-reaching. Dangari Mr. advised motorists to regularly service their vehicles to minimize environmental pollution and enhance safety. He reiterated NESREA's willingness to partner with organization interested in promoting environmental safety and mobility.

The Special Assistant to the Governor of Kaduna State on Student Matters, Hajiya Amina Sani Bello lauded the initiative, stating that the program came at a crucial time, especially considering the reckless driving habits prevalent among students and young people. She urged young road users to avoid behaviors that could lead to accidents, such as driving under the influence or while emotionally distressed. She called for the respect of traffic laws and encouraged the adoption of responsible driving behavior.

Automobile and Touring
Club of Nigeria

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Delivering the keynote address, Engineer Joseph Samuel highlighted the need for passengers to actively participate in ensuring safe driving. He encouraged passengers to call drivers' attention whenever they exhibit reckless behavior. He further advocated for the promotion of active mobility as a means of achieving sustainable transportation.

Representing the Commissioner for Environment and Mineral Resources, Hon. Abubakar Buba, the Technical Adviser, Shuaibu Suleiman Adamu, Hon. emphasized that many road accidents could be avoided if traffic rules were strictly obeyed. He pointed out that awareness creation is a vital tool in accident prevention and urged collective efforts to curb the menace of road crashes, especially among the youths.



A team of organizers from the Automobile and Touring Club of Nigeria (ATCN)



Cross - section of participants

The event concluded with a panel session on the topic "Policy, Infrastructure, and Youth-led Advocacy for Sustainable Development," where experts discussed strategies to improve road safety, promote sustainable mobility, and engage the youths in advocacy for development.

#### GREEN KASU INITIATIVE LAUNCHES TREE NURTURING AND ADOPTION CAMPAIGN



Green KASU, demonstration of tree planting

The Green KASU Stability Initiative launched a tree nurturing and adoption campaign, themed "Fight Climate Change, Nurture a Tree." The event, held at KASU on Wednesday, 28th May 2025, brought together dignitaries, students, and environmental stakeholders to promote tree planting and care.

Dr. Aliyu Jafar, Chairman of the Green KASU Stability Initiative, welcomed attendees and emphasized the importance of tree nurturing and adoption in his welcome address. He encouraged everyone to support the initiative, highlighting the significance of trees in promoting environmental sustainability.

Prof. Yusha'u Ibrahim Ango, DVC Academic and representative of the Vice Chancellor, highlighted the university's commitment to environmental sustainability. He encouraged everyone to plant trees, citing a Chinese proverb that the best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago, and the next best time is now. He shared his personal experience of planting trees and encouraged others to follow suit.

Yakubu Mallam Hamisu Suleiman, Chairman of Green Stands Forest Camps, provided practical tips on tree nurturing and care. He emphasized the importance of selecting suitable tree species, proper locations. planting regular and maintenance. He highlighted the need to plant trees in locations with adequate water supply, sunlight, and soil nutrients. He also stressed the importance of nurturing and including managing trees, applying fertilizers, watering, weeding, and pruning.

Yusuf Amoke, S/A to the Governor of Kaduna State on Climate Change, emphasized the significance of the initiative in combating climate change. He encouraged everyone to join the Green KASU initiative, highlighting the impact of climate change on the environment.

Honorable Abubakar Buba, Commissioner of Environment and Natural Resources, Kaduna State, appreciated the Green KASU initiative and encouraged attendees to make tree planting a yearly habit. He highlighted the economic, social, and environmental benefits of trees, including job creation, property value, eco-tourism, food security, and human health.



Cross - Section of Participants

The Green KASU Tree Nurturing and Adoption Campaign aims to promote environmental sustainability, combat climate change, educate students and the community on tree care and importance, and encourage community engagement and tree adoption.

The event concluded with the Chairman of the Green KASU initiative expressing gratitude to the Vice Chancellor, management, dignitaries, participants, students, and organizers for their support. The campaign marked a significant step towards environmental sustainability and combating climate change. The event ended with a practical tree-planting activity, where participants planted trees, and photographs were taken to commemorate the occasion.



DVC, Academic, Prof. Yusha'u Ibrahim Ango, Rep. the Vice Chancellor



Chairman of the Green KASU, Dr. Aliyu Jafar,



S/A to the Governor of Kaduna State on Climate Change, Yusuf Amoke,



Commissioner of Environment and Natural Resources, Kaduna State, Hon. Abubakar Buba

### **SPORTS NEWS**

#### SOCIAL SCIENCES DOMINATE 2025 CCM&SS PROVOST'S CUP AS TOURNAMENT ENDS IN STYLE



Prof. Gimba Victor Kyari, Provost of CCM&SS, presenting the trophy to the winning female soccer team.

The 2025 edition of the College of Communication, Management, and Social Sciences (CCM&SS) Provost's Cup concluded in spectacular fashion, with the Social Sciences team emerging as the undisputed champions. The tournament, which spanned several days, saw Social Sciences dominate the field with an impressive haul of 8 gold, 1 silver, and 1 bronze medal, showcasing exceptional talent and competitive spirit.

This annual intra-college event brought together students from the three departments—Communication,

Management Sciences, and Social Sciences—in a vibrant display of sportsmanship, unity, and collective effort to foster both athletic and personal development. The games provided not only a platform for competition but also an opportunity to strengthen bonds among new and returning students.

The male football finals delivered one of the tournament's most thrilling moments, with Management Sciences clinching the gold medal after a tense match. Social Sciences and Communication followed with silver and bronze, respectively. In the female football category, Social Sciences emerged victorious, while Management Sciences and Communication secured second and third places.

The individual events were similarly marked by Social Sciences' dominance. In male badminton singles, Elisha Isah took gold, with Thaddus Timothy of Communication and a Management Sciences competitor completing the podium. In female badminton singles, Social Sciences again excelled, with Mable Gyeyock and Endurance Adams claiming gold and silver.

Social Sciences continued their strong performance in table tennis. Najib Yusuf secured gold in the male singles, while Mable Gyeyock, already a standout in badminton, added another gold in the female singles. Management Sciences and Communication claimed the remaining podium spots, demonstrating competitive resilience.

The competitive spirit extended beyond traditional sports into intellectual games, where Social Sciences again excelled. Joseph Williams Kure won gold in Scrabble, Abulmajid Jafar triumphed in Chess, and Mark Kingsley's victory in Draft further cemented the team's dominance. Management Sciences broke the streak in Ludo, with Japhat Ayeh claiming gold, while Social Sciences earned silver and bronze.

The final medal standings underscored Social Sciences' commanding lead, finishing with 10 medals: 8 gold, 1 silver, and 1 bronze. Management Sciences secured 5 medals (2 gold, 3 silver), while Communication earned 9 medals (6 silver, 3 bronze), though without a gold.

The final day was marked by a festive atmosphere as medals were presented by the Director of Sports, Prof. Simon Katung Daniel, alongside the Provost of CCM&SS, Prof. Gimba Victor Kyari. During the award ceremony, Prof. Kyari emphasized that the Provost's Cup is more than just a competition; it is a means of fostering stronger relationships among students, building community, and providing a platform to identify and nurture emerging talent.

Prof. Kyari also expressed optimism for the future, noting his belief that the college's athletic talent could one day represent the institution nationally. He commended the participants for their sportsmanship and dedication, encouraging them to continue developing their athletic skills.

The Provost's Cup proved to be much more than a sports tournament; it highlighted the college's commitment to holistic student development by combining physical education with personal growth and teambuilding. The event not only showcased the students' incredible talents but also united the college in the spirit of friendly competition and camaraderie.



Group photo of players during the tournament



# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 3RD ARNU WORKSHOP AND 77TH BUSINESS MEETING

### A PHOTO GALLERY SHOWCASING THE ARNU MEMBERS' VISIT TO THE EMIR OF ZAZZAU

















### A PHOTO GALLERY FEATURING THE ARNU EXCO'S COURTESY VISIT TO THE VICE CHANCELLOR OF KASU

















### **IMAGES FROM THE ARNU CONFERENCE**

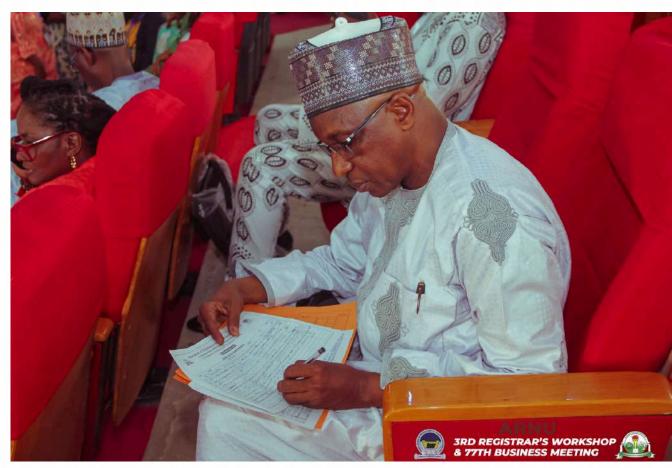








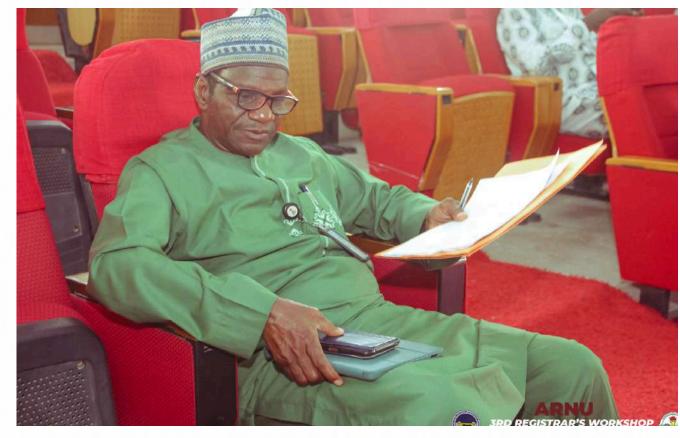














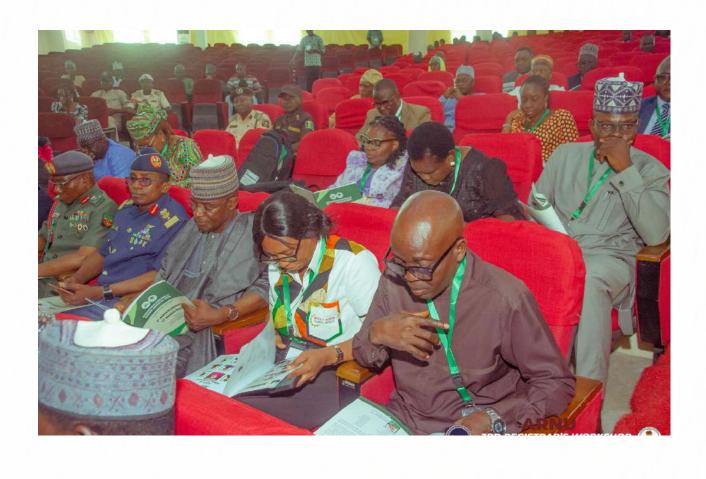


















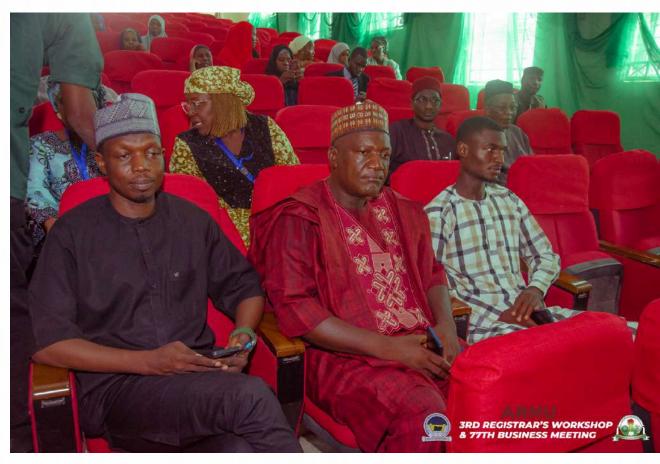


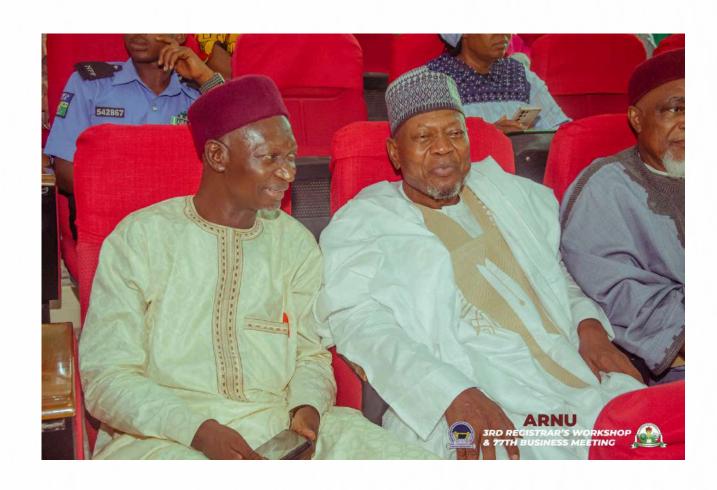


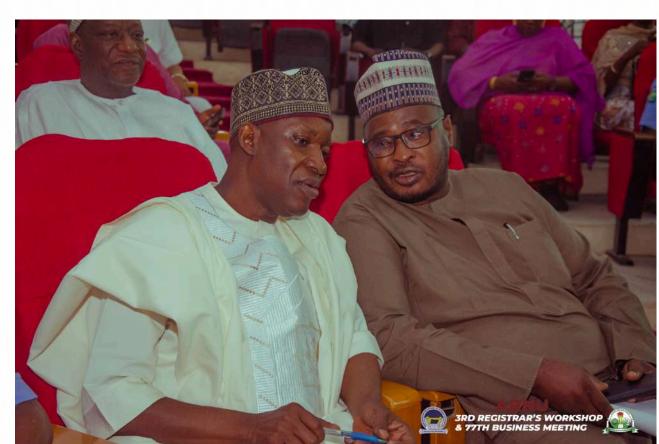














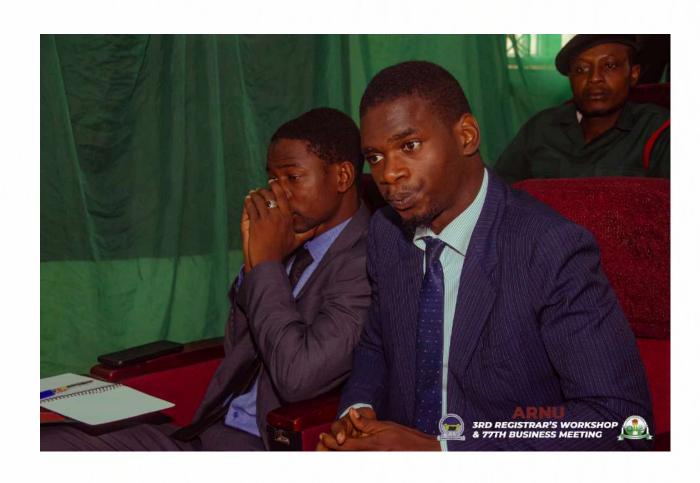






















### IMAGES FROM THE ARNU MEMBERS' LUNCH BREAK AND GALA NIGHT



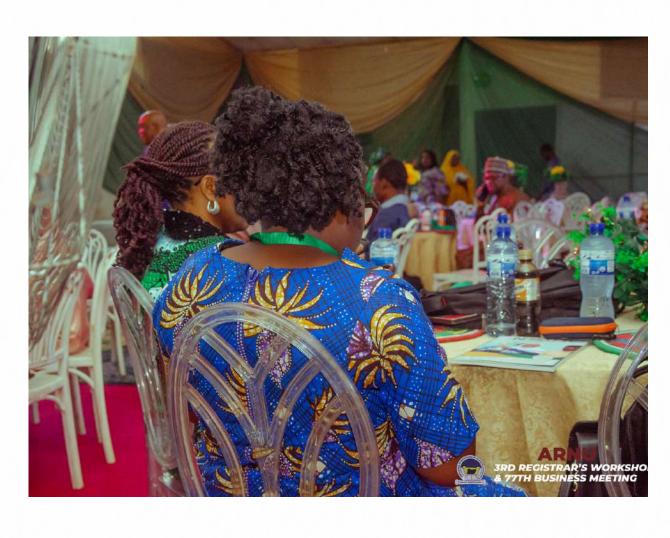
































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