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KASU Scholar Presents Nigeria's Country Report at Belt and Road Initiative Biodiversity Seminar in China

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A scholar from Kaduna State University (KASU), Dr. Bashariya Baba Mustapha, has presented Nigeria's Country Report on behalf of Team Nigeria at the Seminar on Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Utilization for Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) Countries, held in the People's Republic of China.

The high-level seminar, organised by the China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC) under the National Forestry and Grassland Administration (NFGA), brought together policymakers, academics, researchers, and environmental professionals to advance international cooperation on biodiversity conservation and sustainable development.

The programme attracted delegates from Thailand, Cuba, Panama, Nigeria, Türkiye, and Kenya, providing a vibrant platform for cross-cultural dialogue, knowledge sharing, and collaborative learning. Nigeria was represented by a five-member delegation comprising experts from the biosafety sector, the legislature, and academia, including Dr. Bashariya Baba Mustapha, Director of the Centre for Mentorship and Career Development, Kaduna State University.

Hosted in Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province, the seminar



Dr. Bashariya Baba Mustapha of KASU at BRI Seminar in China

combined classroom sessions with extensive field visits to some of China's leading conservation and ecological research sites. These included the Shanghai Chongming Dongtan Wetlands Park, renowned for the protection of migratory bird habitats; the Shanghai Ocean Aquarium; the Xiazhu Lake National Wetland Park in Deqing; the Siwuling Biodiversity Conservation Centre in Xiaoshan District; and the Tea Research Institute, where participants explored the conservation and management of the world-famous West Lake Longjing Tea ecosystem.

The programme successfully blended theoretical learning with practical experience through interactive discussions, technical exchanges, and site visits, enabling participants to share national experiences and explore innovative approaches to biodiversity management and ecological sustainability.

Presenting the Country Report on behalf of Team Nigeria, Dr. Bashariya Baba Mustapha highlighted Nigeria's ongoing efforts in environmental stewardship and biodiversity conservation. She also showcased Kaduna State University's Green Initiative and the KASU TAB

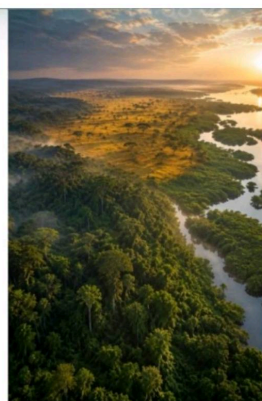


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500 Medicinal Plants Initiative, demonstrating how higher education institutions can serve as catalysts for sustainability, biodiversity conservation, research innovation, and community development.

Her presentation received a standing ovation from participants and organisers, reflecting both the quality of the presentation and the relevance of Nigeria's contributions to global conversations on biodiversity conservation. The recognition underscored the importance of preparation, evidence-based advocacy, and authentic storytelling in advancing international environmental cooperation.

Reflecting on the experience, Dr. Mustapha described the seminar as more than an international training programme, noting that it reinforced the value of global partnerships in addressing shared environmental challenges. She observed that meaningful progress is achieved when nations, institutions, and individuals work together, exchange knowledge, challenge existing assumptions, and co-create sustainable

solutions for future generations.

Dr. Mustapha expressed profound appreciation to the Vice-Chancellor of Kaduna State University, Prof. Abdullahi Ibrahim Musa, for his unwavering commitment to staff development and internationalisation. She commended his leadership in creating opportunities that enhance global engagement, professional capacity, academic excellence, and strategic partnerships for the University.

