

# First National Conference on Inclusivity, Equality and Diversity in University Education in Nigeria



Date: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017

This conference based on the broad concept of inclusion in the context of commitment to education for all and equitable access to healthcare irrespective of disability, gender, socio-economic class, sexuality or factors that reinforce marginalisation will contribute directly to the attainment of five of the SDGs namely: Goals 1,3,4,5 and 10.

#### *Aim of the conference*

1. To provide an opportunity for academics, students, service providers, NGOs, developmental and government agencies to interact, share ideas and present research findings on inclusivity, equality and diversity (IED)
2. To disseminate knowledge on best approaches to tackling exclusion across multiple levels.
3. To provide a platform for academics from various disciplines to share novel understanding of international best practices for improvement in access to mainstream healthcare and education.
4. To generate evidence for developing and informing strategies that can cater for the myriad diversity of most vulnerable groups.
5. To set the stage for the establishment of IED research institute in University of Lagos.

#### *Subthemes from Department of Philosophy:*

Questioning Brain-Death: Exploring the Extra-Scientific/Technological Dimension of Reality  
Virtual Reality in Medicine and Surgery: Ontological Disclosures

#### *Subthemes from Department of Mass Communication:*

Communication for Development  
Behavioural Change Communication

#### *Subthemes from Civil Society:*

1. Sexual Diversity and Advocacy.
  - Sex, sexuality and sexual diversity: implications for policies and programme
  - In the shadow of the 2013 same sex marriage prohibition act: thinking back to the future
  - "Nothing for us without Us": breaking down silos and building alliances
2. Sexual Minorities and Programming for Change
  - Designing State responses for sexual minorities' health care needs
  - Mental health, sex, sexual orientation and sexual minorities
  - Public moralities, public health and the scapegoat syndrome
3. Inclusivity, Equality, Diversity: Framework for "Leaving No One Behind" in Nigeria

#### *Subthemes from Department of Sociology:*

1. Population and Development
2. Sexuality and Reproductive Health Rights.

#### *Subthemes from Faculty of Education:*

Inclusivity and Equality in Diverse University Classrooms.  
Inclusive and Equal opportunities in University Education:  
Search for Pedagogical Paradigms.

#### *Subtheme from College of Medicine:*

Universal access to healthcare

#### *Subthemes from Faculty of Law:*

Legal Mechanism as Driver of Inclusivity, Equality and Diversity in Nigeria  
Is the Nigeria Legal Framework Responsive to IED?

#### *Subthemes from Business Organisation:*

Business Ethics, Inclusivity and Diversity  
IED and Capitalism

#### *Call for Abstracts*

Abstract submission opens on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

Abstract submission closes on the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017.

Notification of acceptance on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

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#### *Conference Chair:*

Professor Toyin Ogundipe, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic and Research, University of Lagos, Nigeria.

#### *Conference co- chairs:*

Professor AT Onajole, Professor of Community Medicine and Public Health, University of Lagos, Nigeria

Dr Morenike Ukpong, Associate Professor of Paediatric Dentistry, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria

#### **Abstract submission guidelines**

- i. All submissions must be made online by **May 31st, 2017**.
- ii. If an abstract is accepted for presentation, the first author must undertake to present it.
- iii. All abstracts will initially be reviewed, graded and accepted or rejected by the Scientific Committee.
- iv. The Committee reserves the right to determine whether an abstract submission is accepted as an oral presentation or a poster.
- v. A limited number of scholarships to fund attendance at the conference will be available for participants coming from other states.
- vi. Scholarships are for presenting authors **ONLY**.

#### **Preparation of Abstracts:**

- **All abstracts must be submitted in ENGLISH**
- Use Arial 12 point type only
- Use single spacing only
- Format – Microsoft Word files only
- Leave one line between paragraphs
- Specify all abbreviations in full at the first mention, followed by the abbreviation in parentheses. Use the abbreviation thereafter
- Check abstract thoroughly for spelling and grammar
- Do not include references
- Indicate preferred departmental/organizational subtheme

#### **All abstracts must include:**

##### **Title:**

Capitalized in BOLD at the top of the abstract, maximum 50 words.

##### **Authors:**

- Underline the name of the author who will be presenting the paper
- Use surname followed by initials (do not use full stops or commas between surname and initials)
- Omit degrees and titles
- Include affiliations for each author. Use superscript numbering after the author's name and before the comma separating authors to indicate affiliations

##### **Body of Abstract:**

Maximum 350 words

- Background: Study objectives, hypothesis tested, or description of problem
- Methods: Method used or approach taken
- Results: in summarized form, must include data but do not include tables, graphs or pictures
- Conclusion: Description of main outcomes of the study. Include knowledge or insight that conference attendees will gain from the presentation, explanation of how conference attendees can apply the skills and/or knowledge within their communities.

**Abstracts should be submitted to include\_equal\_diversity@yahoo.com**