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Rector's Greetings



Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) is our priority at Yaba College

of Technology. The UNEVOC Centre was instituted to showcase and inform on best practices in TVET and how we are preparing our students for the world of work. Keep reading the newsletter to be informed and educated as we transform our nation and our world with the subject of TVET. Thank you

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YCT hosts 29th Convocation Lecture/Ceremony

Yaba College of Technology organized her 29th Convocation Lecture and Ceremony on October 28-29, 2015. The Convocation Lecture themed **Sustainable Development: Entrepreneurship and Mentorship Roles in Youth Empowerment** was delivered by Engr. (Prof.) 'Fola Lasisi an alumnus of the College and former Vice Chancellor, University of Uyo, Nigeria.

The lecture attracted people from all works of life. The graduation ceremony took place on the 29th with awards of National Diploma (ND) and Higher National Diploma (HND) conferred on graduating students. The Minister of Education was represented by the Executive Secretary, National Board for Technical Education (NBTE). The Rector of the College, Dr. M. K. Ladipo charged the graduates to be worthy ambassadors of the College in every sphere of life they find themselves. The event was live-streamed online.



Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/news/recent/145-29th-yct-convocation-ceremony>

10th Inaugural Lecture holds in Yaba College of Technology



Mrs. Titilayo Adetowun Ukabam, an estate valuer and lecturer at the Estate Management department, Yaba College of Technology presented the tenth Inaugural Lecture of the College on September 30, 2015 at the Multipurpose Hall of the College. The title of the lecture was **Environmental Valuation: Equitable Approach to Real Estate damages.**

She addressed the topic based on her inclination towards environmental amenities and disamenities valuation and other non-conventional valuation methods of valuing real estate damages in past researches. She stressed the use of hedonic pricing model as a valuable tool to study impact analysis of externalities on property values. The event was well attended.

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YCT/Songhai signs MoU

Yaba College of Technology in its quest for agricultural development and sustainability has signed a pact with The Songhai Centre, Porto-Novo, Republic of Benin. The MoU signing ceremony took place at the Songhai Farm on Thursday November 12, 2015.



The Rector of the College, Dr. M. K. Ladipo was ably represented by the Deputy Rector (Academics) Mr. I. Akhuemonkhan and the Registrar, Ms. B. C. Amapakabo. The founder of the Songhai Centre, Rev. Fr. Godfrey Nzamujo, was on hand to welcome and sign the agreement with the Yaba delegation.

The implementation of the MoU started immediately with an outline of the action plan and training. The signing was one of the highlights of the annual education tour organized by the YCT UNEVOC Centre for members of the College community.

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YCT FSD/FaB Sensitization Workshop

A Sensitization Workshop on FSD/FaB (Flexible Skill Development/Flexible Blended) was held in Yaba College of Technology for Principal Officers, Deans, Directors and Head of Departments. Over 50 participants attended the workshop.

The Rector, Dr.(Mrs) M. K. Ladipo who was represented by the Deputy Rector (Administration) Dr. M. A. Adebakin welcomed all participants to the workshop and encouraged everyone to embrace the FSD/FaB new approaches to enhance teaching and learning process. He noted that the College is ready to implement FSD/FaB which will improve the quality of teaching and learning in the college.

Three sessions were facilitated during the workshop by Mr. I. A. Akhuemonkhan, Deputy Rector (Academics), Mr. Uduak Inyang-Udoh Director, Academic Planning Unit (APU) and Dr. (Mrs.) Funmilayo Doherty



Coordinator, UNEVOC Centre for Research & Sustainable Development. The topics of the sessions were as follows: (a) COL, INVEST Africa and introduction to FSD/FaB (b) Keying into Flexible Skill Development/Flexible and Blended learning approach (c) Case studies of FSD/FaB approaches in INVEST partners institutions.

Weblink- <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/news/recent/144-yct-fsd-fab-workshop2015>

Intellectual Property Sensitization Workshop organized by ARTI

The Applied Research and Technology Innovation (ARTI) organized a 2-day Intellectual property workshop on October 6-7, 2015 at Yaba College of Technology for staff and students. The Rector Yaba College of Technology Dr. (Mrs) M. K. Ladipo delivered the welcome address and charged all participants to make good use of the training.

Speakers at the event were Dr. Dan-Azumi Ibrahim, Ag. Director General, National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion (NOTAP), Engr. Enoch I. Moghalu, Mr. Uduak Inyang-Udoh, Director, Academic Planning Unit (APU) & Mr. K. A. Sodiq, Centre for Applied Research & Technology Innovation (ARTI).

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/su/units/arti/72-arti-intellectual-property-sensitization>

School of Science Workshop on Data Management and Analysis using SPSS

The School of Science organized a Train the trainers workshop on data management and analysis using Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) for academic staff. The event was attended by all academic staff of the School of Science. The workshop had 5 hands-on sessions and participants were given problems to solve at the end of each session.

In the words of the Dr.(Mrs.) Dawodu, Dean, School of Sciences, SPSS has become a veritable



tool for scientists all over the world for data analysis, which is a core part of scientific researches.

Weblink

<http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/su/schools/science/150-school-of-science-learns-spss-for-research>

SETPOM 2015 Annual International Conference

The Society for Environmental Toxicology and Pollution Mitigation (SETPOM) held its Annual international conference on October 22-23, 2015 at the University of Lagos, Guest House and Conference Centre, Nigeria. The theme of the conference was **Environmental Management, Safety and Security**.



SETPOM Fellow Awards were conferred on several impact makers on environmental issues in Nigeria. The Annual SETPOM Essay competition for

Secondary Schools in Nigeria was organized and winners were awarded during the conference. Dr. (Mrs.) Funmilayo Doherty, President of the society affirmed that Climate Change is a global phenomenon and no country is immune to the dangers such as erosion, flooding and other ecological problems. Consequently, the effort and actions of the government and people of must be informed by this reality.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/news/recent/146-setpom2015-conference>

Global Entrepreneurship Week 2015

The annual Global Entrepreneurship Week (GEW) 2015, anchored by the Center for Entrepreneurship Development (CED) was organized in the College



from November 12 – 17, 2016. The week started with an awareness tour within the College. A lecture and award ceremony was also held. Cash prizes were given to the winners of the 1st Business Plan Competition organized during the week.

Exhibition of students' projects and products was done throughout the week, which was also available for sale.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/su/units/ced>

Songhai Centre Annual Education Tour 2015

The trip to Songhai Centre Porto-Novo, Republic of Benin took place from November 11-14, 2015. This trip, the third edition to be organized by the



UNEVOC Centre involved participation from members of the College community, and the YCT/Songhai MoU Implementation Committee.

The trip afforded participants a privilege of being exposed to skill acquisition, entrepreneurship

development, technical innovation and zero waste in agriculture and agriculture processing. It was also an opportunity to visit some historical parts of Benin Republic. Participants interested in practicing agriculture were afforded a Q&A session with the founder of the Songhai Centre during the trip. The trip which had in the past helped born an Agricultural Multipurpose Cooperative society was also a very important platform to solidify plans for the growth of the cooperative society and establish a network with the Songhai Centre for future partnering.

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Health Tips – The ABCs of Stress Management

by Mrs. M.J Shode ADNS, LASUTH

Excerpt from the presentation at the WITED day 2014

- U.** Understand things from the other person's point of view; we may not see things equally
- V.** Vacation: take as many weekend vacations before your annual leave, Verify facts and figures before getting annoyed
- W.** Worry less, What you cannot control, it makes no point to worry about them
- X.** 'Xpress yourself to the fullest; know what you want specifically and go for it
- Y.** Yearly goal setting: set goals based on your priorities in 8 areas of life
- Z.** Zest for life: Each day is a gift, smile and be thankful; live your life to the full everyday

Skills Acquisition: Tailoring

A skill acquisition training on the basics of tailoring was carried out for students of the Department of Accountancy. The hands-on training was handled by an external facilitator. It was an opportunity for the students to

acquire practical skills that would be useful outside their diploma programmes. For some of the students, they are already setting up future business



platforms for self-reliance after school.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/tvet/greening-tvet/123-skills-training-tailoring>

Eko-Konnect hosts board meeting and workshop

Eko-Konnect a cluster of the Nigerian Research and Education Network (ngREN) had their board meeting and a seminar on the theme **Federated Identity and Mobility for Research and Education** from October 7-8, 2016. The UNEVOC Center



represented the Rector and the College at both events. Some of the details of the seminar can be found at this link <https://indico.wacr.en.net/event/11/>

Participants from tertiary institutions across Nigeria attended the event, which was held at the University of Lagos. Dr. M. K. Ladipo is a member of the board of Trustee of Eko-Konnect.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/news/recent/149-ekokonnect-hosts-board-meeting>

Orange VFX Animation Workshop for YCT Students

Yabatech UNEVOC Centre organized sensitization workshop on Computer Animation for students in the College. The event was held in September, 2015 at the Yusuf Grillo Hall.

The event was facilitated by Orange VFX Studio a professional 3D animation and visual effects



company based in Lagos, Nigeria. The company which creates stunning animation, for design, visualization, educational industries and corporate presentation is a partner of the UNEVOC Center.

The workshop is part of knowledge transfer and Skill acquisition training for Yaba College Technology students.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/tvet/greening-tvet/124-orange-vfx-workshop>

Book Launch - Oluwole Akinjayeju

Mr. Oluwole Akinjayeju a staff of the College recently launched two books titled **Food Packaging and Storage: Principles and Applications and Human and Applied Nutrition.**



The launching took place at the Yusuf Grillo Auditorium, Yaba College of Technology. The reviewer of the book launch gave glowing remarks to the books which he referred to as handbooks on food packaging and human nutrition. The book launch attracted colleagues, friends in the academia, family, students and well wishers.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/su/schools/tech/128-book-launch>

School of Technical Education Conference

School of Technical Education Yaba College of Technology in affiliation with University of Nigeria, Nsukka organized her 2nd National Conference themed **Revitalizing Tertiary Education as an Agent of Change for National Development** on November 16 -19, 2015 at Yusuf Grillo Hall, Yaba College of Technology, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria.



The keynote was delivered by Prof. C. O. Oshun, professor of Christian Studies & Church History, Department of Religious Studies, Olabisi Onabanjo University Ago-Iwoye and first Vice Chancellor, Joseph Ayodele Babalola University (JABU) Ikeji-Arakeji, Nigeria.

Several researches were presented on the theme. At the end of the conference, a communiqué was issued on the way forward in becoming an agent of change for revitalizing tertiary education.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/su/schools/143-2nd-ste-conference>

COL FSD West Africa Online Course

The Commonwealth of Learning (COL) organized the Flexible Skills Development Online Course which started in October 2015. The 6 weeks intensive course was facilitated on COL's Moodle LMS (Learning Management System) by Mrs. Nkiru Banjoko. The College had about 9 staff who participated in the course, 3 of whom were UNEVOC Center staff.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/news/recent/148-investafrica-waw-online2015>

2015 World Teacher's Day

To celebrate the 2015 World Teacher's Day, the UNEVOC Center with the Public Relations Unit of the College had a radio interview at Unilag FM Radio station. The slogan for the year according to UNESCO was **Empowering teachers, building sustainable societies.** The presentation stressed on the topic and encouraged the public to join in celebrating teachers.



A press release by the Rector of the College to commemorate the day was issued and posted on the Center's website, social networks and national dailies.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/tvet/greening-events/130-world-teachers-day2015>

Water Hyacinth Group Project

Some students of the School of Science carried out a five-day products design exercise using *Water Hyacinth* dried plant as the primary raw material. It was a rewarding experience for all the students



as they designed various products (flower vase, hand baskets etc). They also learned the entrepreneurship principle of waste-to-wealth through the exercise.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/tvet/greening-tvet/111-water-hyacinth1>

Virtual Conference

The UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training organized a virtual conference in November 2015 themed **Greening TVET in the context of COP 21**. The conference discussed Greening TVET in the context of global climate change policy developments. The conference took place from 2 to 13 November 2015 on the UNESCO-UNEVOC e-Forum.

Staff of the College including the UNEVOC Center participated in this edition.

YCT UNEVOC Coordinator attends Course at Singapore

Dr. Funmilayo Doherty attended a short course recently on **Leaders in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)** in Singapore. Her participation was partly sponsored by the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP). The course took place from September 28 to October 2, 2015 at the Institute of Technical Education, Singapore.

E-Learning Workshop

The introductory workshop on E-Learning in Yaba College of Technology was held on September 22, 2015 at the Petroleum Development Trust Fund (PDTF) Hall at Centre for Information Technology Management building. The event was organized by the UNEVOC Center.

The Deputy Rector (Academics) Mr. Innocent Akhemonkhan gave an opening speech at the workshop. Three technical sessions were facilitated by Dr.(Mrs.) Funmilayo Doherty, Mr. S. G. Abisoye and Mr. John Okewole. The workshop was hands-on and some of the participants were introduced for the first time to learning online.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/tvet/greening-tvet/125-elearning-intro>

Lagos State Govt. presents Certificate of Registration to YCT Agric Cooperative

The Lagos State Government has officially recognized the YCT Staff Cooperative Multipurpose Agriculture Society. A certificate of registration was awarded the agric society by officials of the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives at a ceremony on November 4, 2015 in the College premises. The



event was also an opportunity to further sensitize the society members on the various opportunities that are available in the state for cooperatives and how to access such opportunities.

Weblink - <http://www.yabatechunevoc.org/tvet/greening-tvet/127-yct-agric-coop-receives-certificate>