



BUK, Florida University Sign MoU to Establish Centre for Reading, Research and Devt.

By: Nura Garba

Bayero University, Kano and Florida State University, U.S.A on Tuesday, 3rd October, 2017 signed a Memorandum of Understanding to establish the first Nigerian Centre for Reading, Research and Development (NCRRD).

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, said during the official ceremony at the Council Chamber that NCRRD would be co-funded by U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

the way we do everything, including reading,” he added.

According to the Vice Chancellor, “the situation is even more disturbing in the case of students at tertiary levels of education as many of them rely on 'copy and paste' materials from the internet without bothering to read them. It is unfortunate because reading is an indispensable tool for learning, especially among young children in the early grades, as it lays the foundation for their school and career.”



Prof. Jeffrey Milligan, FSU (left) and Prof. M. Y. Bello, BUK, signing the MoU documents

He said the decision to establish the centre followed some discussions between officials of the two universities that began in March 2011, aimed at improving reading culture and research in Nigeria.

Prof Bello noted that “the development came when Jeffery Milligan, the Director of Florida Learning Institute of Education, Florida State University, first contacted BUK and we agreed on the necessary modalities for the project.”

The Vice Chancellor explained that the centre would be the first of its kind in the country and is expected to address the decline in reading culture as currently manifested among students at all levels of education in the country.

“The declining reading culture especially among youths has become an issue of great concern to the country. Information and communication technology is changing

He said the centre would also be used for training of teachers in all the major Nigerian languages and would work with other agencies to evolve effective pre-service programmes for colleges of education and other tertiary institutions.

A representative of the Florida University, Professor Jeffrey Milligan, said USAID had already set aside one million Dollar for the project, which is expected to be fully functional in the next three years. Prof Milligan said the signing of MoU would improve the capacity of Nigerian institutions to conduct research and effectively train teachers with the aim of improving reading culture among students and young children.

He added that the selection of BUK to benefit from the project was due to the fact that it was one of the prominent and best institutions in Nigeria.

The Kano State Deputy Governor, Professor Hafiz Abubakar, who was present during the signing of the MoU, lamented the decline in the reading culture among Nigerian students, especially Kano State, which has the highest number of school drop-outs as well as out-of-school children. He expressed happiness over the establishment of the centre in Kano, noting that it would significantly play a key role in addressing the unfortunate situation.

The Coordinator of the Centre, Professor Ismail Tsiga, commended the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello and the Florida State University for ensuring that the MoU became a reality. He expressed the hope that the centre's mandate would, in future, be extended to sub-region and other African countries.

Use Translation For National Development and Globalization Drive – Don Challenges Nigerian Government

By: Isa Muhammad Inuwa & Fausat Opayomi

A University Don and National President Nigerian Institute of Translators and Interpreters (NITI), Professor Hafizu Miko Yakasai, has called on the Nigerian Government to use translation as a means of breaking down language barriers to enhance national development.

Professor Yakasai spoke on Tuesday 3rd October, 2017 at the International Translation Day organized by the Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages, Translation and Folklore (CRNLT&F), Bayero University Kano in collaboration with the Nigerian Institute of Translators and Interpreters (NITI). He emphasized that all technologically advanced countries develop their scientific and technological motivations using their respective languages. He therefore suggested that “if our indigenous Nigerian languages are to be used as languages of science and technology our economic potentials will be greatly enhanced”.

Professor Yakasai, who is also the Deputy Director (Nigerian Languages and Translation) at the CRNLT&F observed that for the country to find its right place in the globalization trend there was the need to capture diversity of cultures and languages through translation since according to him “globalization brings greater international cooperation”, while translation makes the world smaller by breaking language barriers. Moreover, he called on the National Assembly to accelerate efforts towards passing the NITI bill, which he said would secure and sanitize the translation profession in the country.

In his opening remarks, Emeritus Professor Dandatti Abdulkadir traced the history of translation in Nigeria to the first republic Parliament when a member, Malam Bawa Bulkachuwa suggested that the laws and parliament proceedings be translated into major Nigerian Languages for better understanding of the government policies.

While delivering his welcome address, the Director of

the Centre, Professor Sammani Sani, said that, that was the first time the International Translation Day was officially organized by the Centre, adding that the Centre as a registered member with the Nigerian Institute of Translators and Interpreters had been fully engaged in translation of Hausa, Kanuri, Fulfulde, etc. He further stated that the Centre had produced proposal on translating Basic Science and Basic Technology Textbooks into Hausa under the 9 year Basic Education Curriculum Structure. The Centre is now waiting for the sponsorship of Kano State Government.

In his comment, the Vice Chancellor, Yusuf Maitama Sule University, Kano, Professor Mustapha Ahmad, frowned at the manner of translation in the electronic media, saying “you smile at some of the translations, while you feel indignant of some others”.

Other scholars such as Professor Yusuf Adamu of Bayero University Press and Dr. Danjuma Sani of the National Open University of Nigeria also faulted the rampant cases of poor translation in the media and the film industry, calling for collaboration between the media, the film industry and professional translators in order to tackle the problem.

Other scholars who attended the occasion include Professor Isa Mukhtar, Deputy Director, (Literature & Folklore) CRNLT&F, Professor Ahmadu Bello Zaria, Department of Nigerian Languages, Professor Garba Kawu Daudu and Dr. Tijjani Shehu Almajir, Department of Linguistics & Foreign Languages, Malam Zukogi, Department of English & Literary Studies, Dr. Rabi'u Sa'ad and Dr. Jamilu Abdullahi from Department of Arabic as well as media practitioners within and outside Kano.

The occasion was rounded with announcement of an upcoming conference of the Nigerian Institute of Translators and Interpreters, NITI scheduled at Abuja from 26th – 27th October, 2017.



From the right: Dr. Danjuma Sani; Prof. Abdu Yahaya Bichi; Prof. Mustapha Ahmad VC, Yusuf Maitama Sule University; Prof. Hafizu Miko Yakasai, National President NITI; Emeritus Prof. Dandatti Abdulkadir; Prof. Sammani Sani, Director, CRNLT&F; Prof. Ahmadu Bello Zaria; a participant; Malam Haruna Salisu, Librarian CRNLT&F and other participants



A cross section of students during the rally at Sports Complex, Old Campus

BUK Students Set to Elect New SUG Executives, SRA

By: Nura Garba & Rabi'u M. Sagir

Students from all the university faculties and departments are set to elect new executive officers of Students Union Government (SUG) and student representatives' assembly, who will pilot the affairs of the union.

Tenure of the immediate past executives led by SUG President, Comrade Tijjani Bilal Paki had since 23rd July, 2017 expired and election into the new executives and students representatives' assembly were delayed by ASUU's recent strike, so it was shifted to this time.

The Bayero University Independent Electoral Commission (BUKIECO) had organized a rally on Tuesday, 3rd October, 2017 at the Sports Arena of Old Campus, where the candidates vying for different posts spoke on their manifestos before a large gathering of chanting and excited students.

Similarly, BUKIECO organized a presidential debate among the candidates vying for the seat, which was conveyed over the BUK FM radio station. Different groups of students were seen listening to the manifestos

of the candidates with rapt attention.

According to the Secretary of BUKIECO, Imran Haruna, all arrangements had been completed as at the time of filing this report on Thursday morning, he said election was going on at all the campuses of the University.

“To ensure free, fair and transparent election, we engaged all the candidates to tell their supporters to calm down throughout the election period, right from the time of the rally, presidential debate and election proper. We gave them conditions in line with the University's standard rules and, thank God, they were able to live up to our expectations,” Imran Haruna said.

According to him, the only challenge they faced was on the part of security, which could not release the election materials on time, but assured that the election would be transparent and peaceful. He said all the members of BUKIECO were mobilized and told that it was a sacrifice; therefore, they should be transparent in their actions, as posterity will definitely judge them.

BUK To Introduce Masters in Intensive Pediatrics Care

By: Nura Garba & Rabi'u M. Sagir

The Vice Chancellor Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has commended the efforts of Pediatric Universal Life Saving Effort (PULSE) and Department of Paediatrics, BUK for trying to come up with a new innovation that may upgrade the level of paediatric healthcare and make Bayero University unique in its academic offerings among Nigerian Universities. He was speaking when a delegation of the organization accompanied by their BUK counterparts visited him on 5th October, 2017.

Professor Bello assured that BUK would work on the curriculum through appropriate channels so as to make it match with Nigerian context and later take it to NUC for consideration. Professor Bello expressed that BUK would be glad to be first university in Nigeria to offer a Masters' degree in intensive care, which will boost the capacity of health sector workers thereby providing adequate health manpower in the country.

The President of Paediatric Universal Life Saving Effort, Professor Loudson Pierre, stated the mission of the Association, which is helping children and training physicians so as to provide the community with

optimum healthcare services for the betterment and wellbeing of the citizens of the nation.

Professor Pierre expressed their commitment and determination to collaborate with one of the best Universities in Nigeria towards achieving their aims and objectives which is providing healthcare services to humanity through best practices by introducing Master's



BUK Management, College of Health Science staff and the visiting PULSE Team in a group photograph

degree in Intensive Paediatric Care and other programmes that may ease the lack of specialists and skills shortage in that aspect of care giving.

MBBS Students Win Zonal Medical Quiz *By: Rabi'u M. Sagir*

Bayero University continues to show class in academic performance as it has emerged winner in the just concluded Northern Zone of the National Annual Medical Quiz and Essay Competition organized by Nigerian Medical Association (NMA) in collaboration with Nigerian Medical Students Association (NIMSA) on Saturday, 30th September, 2017 at National Ear Care Centre in Kaduna State.

BUK came tops with 79 points ahead of Usman Danfodio University Sokoto (59), Gombe State University (58), Unimaid and Kaduna State University (57) respectively.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, while receiving the winning students in his office, appreciated their effort for making the university proud.

Professor Bello assured the students of better welfare services where the College of Health Services and the University will collaborate to build a modern Student

Centre for the wellbeing of the students. Professor Bello urged the students to maintain the good record and to continue with the spirit of moving the university forward. Professor Bello also provided a token gift of N20,000 each to the 5 participants, N50,000 to others and N100,000 to the Association.

The President of BUK Medical Students Association, Adamu Bala Hassan, expressed his appreciation to the Management of Bayero University for providing them with a conducive environment of learning, which always motivates them in acquiring effective and qualitative education.

Bayero University will represent the North in the final stage of the competition to be held between 9th and 11th November, 2017 at Gombe State University Teaching Hospital, when "we are going to do our best to win the first position" the team promised the Vice Chancellor.



President of BUK Medical Students Association, Adamu Bala Hassan (middle) presents the Golden Cup to the VC, Prof. M. Y. Bello (1st left), while the Provost of the CHS, Prof. Ibrahim Yakasai looks on

PENSION UNIT:
Documentary Requirement for Processing the Retirement Savings Account (RSA) and Client Familiarity Index ("CFI") FORM: Stanbic IBTC Pension Managers

This is to inform clients/staff (RSA holders of Stanbic IBTC Pension Managers) that the Pension Fund Administrators, (PFA) will capture the biometric information of staff who registered with PFA as follows:

Date: Monday 16th - Friday 20, October, 2017

Time: 9: 00 a.m. daily

Venue: Human Resource Department Division Committee Room, New Campus

Staff are required to bring the following:

(A) Proof of Address (any one of the following)

- (i) Utility bill within the past three months
- (ii) Valid Driver's License (not expired)
- (iii) Recent Tenancy Agreements

- (iv) Voters Card
- (v) Normal I.D. Card
- (vi) Active Bank Statement (within the past 3 months) containing current address

(B) Personal Identification Document ((either of the following)

- (i) Bio Data Page of Current Internal Passport
- (ii) Valid official/company Identification Card
- (iii) Valid Driver's License
- (iv) National Identity Card

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DIRECT ENTRY SCREENING EXERCISE FOR 2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION ONLINE REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

This is to inform all candidates who applied for Direct Entry admission into Bayero University, Kano, that there will be an **ON-LINE** screening exercise from Friday, 6th October, to Friday, 20th October, 2017.

Please note that only candidates who applied through **JAMB** for **Direct Entry** admission and chose Bayero University as their **First** choice are eligible for the screening.

Step 1: Login –

Visit www.buk.edu.ng and click Direct Entry Onlie Screening at the home page. Login using your **DE number, programme applied for and Gender**.

Step 2: Photo Upload

After successful login, you need to upload your recent passport size photograph. The photograph must be less 32 KB in size and must in either **.jpg** or **.png** format.

Follow the following procedure to upload the photo:

1. *First click on the folder to select your photo*
2. *The photo preview will be shown, then click on Upload button to actually upload the photo.*
3. *After successful upload, a link to the profile update page is shown.*

***Note that you cannot change your picture after your payment is processed.**

Step 3: Profile Update

Applicants are to provide their Date of Birth, LGA, the phone number and e-mail address used when registering with JAMB, alternate Phone Number (*if any*), alternate e-mail address (*if any*), Next of Kin, Phone Number of Next of Kin and Contact Address. Applicants should note that full name and state of origin cannot be changed.

Step 4: 'O' Level Update

After successful profile update, you can then update your O' Level Results. Note that supplying false information will result in disqualification. You are allowed to supply a maximum of two (2) different 'O' Level examinations results.

You need to check on the declaration in order to be able to submit your O' Levels.

If you want to update/change your result, you have to resubmit all the information and previous information will be replaced with the updated information.

Step 5: 'A' Level Update

After the successful update of your O' Level results, you can then update our 'A' Level results. Note that supplying false information will result in disqualification. You are to supply **ONLY ONE 'A' LEVEL RESULT**. NCE Holders are to supply the Education subject result first followed by two (2) teaching subjects. Double major holders should repeat their teaching subject twice.

Step 6: Generate/Print BUK Personalised Payment Form (BUKPPF)

After successfully updating your results, you are ready to generate the BUK Personalised Payment Form (BUKPPF). The BUKPPF includes information needed to make payment through the Remita e-payments platform.

Clicking on the **Generate Your BUKPPF** button, generate the BUKPPF so that you can download and print it.

Step 7: Submit RRR Used

After successfully generating the BUKPPF and using the Remita e-payments platform, a Remita Retrieval Reference (RRR) number is generated for you. The RRR uniquely ties your payment to your application account. After obtaining your RRR, take it to any bank and make the payment. You can also pay electronically as indicated on the Remita platform. After making the payment, login to your application account and submit the RRR used for the payment. Note that submitting the RRR in the application portal is not tied to your actual payment.

Step 8: Print Acknowledgement Slip

After your payment has been verified and processed you can proceed to print your acknowledgement slip and keep it safe. Successful candidates need to provide copies of the acknowledgement slip during the collection of admission letter and registration.

If you have any inquiry or are encountering any difficulty, write to: screening.de@buk.edu.ng

*NB:

- Payment at the Banks will be closed on Friday, 20th October, 2017
- The Portal for the ONLINE SCREENING will be closed by Sunday, 22nd October, 2017 at mid-night.

Any candidate who fails to do the ONLINE SCREENING will not be considered

Signed

FATIMA BINTA MOHAMMED
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Department of Physical and Health

Education: Notice of "Walk for Life"

The Department of Physical and Health Education wishes to remind staff and students of this month's "Walk for Life" programme scheduled as follows:

Topic: "Walk for Life"

Date: 14th October, 2017

Time: 7:00 am

Venue: Take off point (New Site GYM)

Department of Microbiology: 2016/2017 Second Semester Postgraduate Seminar

M.Sc. Proposal Seminar:

Presenter 1: Asma'u Muhammad Usman (SPS/15/MMB/00010)

Topic: Evaluation of antimicrobial resistance pattern of bacterial isolates sourced from ready – to – eat Vegetable Salad hawked in Kano metropolis

Supervisor: Dr. Bashir Mohammed

Specialization: Medical Microbiology

M.Sc. FINAL SEMINAR

Presenter 2: Fatima Umar Sani (SPS/14/MMB/00054)

Topic: Phytochemical constituents and Antimicrobial effect of *Piliostigma reticulatum* and *Ziziphus abyssinia* against *Escherichia coli* and *Candida albicans* isolated from Urinary Tract Infection

Supervisor: Dr. N. T. Dabo

Specialization: Medical Microbiology

Presenter 3: Umar Muhammad Liman (SPS/14/MMB/00031)

Topic: Synergistic antifungal effects of the leaves of *Z. spinasti* and *Z. Mauritania* against *C. albicans* and *A. fumigatus* from patients attending AKTH, Kano

Supervisor: Dr. Usman A. Dutsinma

Specialization: Medical Microbiology

Presenter 4: Aliyu Adamu (SPS/15/MMB/00044)

Topic: Evaluation of the effects of local additives on shelf life property of locally pasteurized and fermented milks

Supervisor: Dr. A. Bukar

Specialization: Food Microbiology

Presenter 5: Nuratu Jummai Sani (SPS/15/MMB/00021)

Topic: Bacterial synthesis of silver nanoparticles using *Lactobacillus* species isolated from whole fermented milk (*Kindirmo*)

Supervisor: Dr. Binta M. Amin

Specialization: Industrial Microbiology

Presenter 6: Mutari Ali (SPS/15/MMB/00022)

Topic: Evaluation of antimicrobial, preservative properties and phytochemical composition of extracts of *A. leocarpus* and *Ficus thoningii* on some fruit juice and drinks

Supervisor: Dr. A. Bukar

Specialization: Industrial Microbiology

PhD FINAL SEMINAR

Presenter 7: Rabi Muhammad (SPS/13/PMB/00001)

Topic: Microbiological evaluation of shelf life indices of fermented African locust bean (*Daddawa*) stored under different preservative treatments

Supervisors: Prof. M.D. Mukhtar, Dr. A.M. Magashi and Dr. Aminu Bukar

Specialization: Food Microbiology

Date: Wednesday 11th October, 2017

Chairman: Dr. Muhammad Yusha'u

Venue: Level 300 Laboratory (Near Undergraduate Microbiology Laboratory)

M.Sc. FINAL SEMINAR

Presenter 1: Bashar Haruna Gulumbe (SPS/15/MMB/00026)

Topic: Assessment of microbiological contamination of indoor air of restaurants in some selected Local Government Areas of Kebbi State

Supervisor: Prof. A.H. Kawo

Specialization: Environmental Microbiology

Presenter 2: Niima Abubakar Fagge (SPS/14/MMB/00048)

Topic: Studies on the presence of bacterial and fungal pathogens in some selected banks within Kano metropolis

Supervisor: Dr. Bashir Mohammed

Specialization: Medical Microbiology

Presenter 3: Sa'adu Usman (SPS/14/MMB/00036)

Topic: Isolation and identification of *Salmonella* species in Chickens from selected poultry farms in Kano metropolis

Supervisor: Prof. A.H. Arzai

Specialization: Medical Microbiology

Presenter 4: Abdullahi Adamu Faggo (SPS/15/MMB/00040)

Topic: Enhanced Removal of crude oil in soil by co – culture of *Bacillus subtilis* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* isolated from contaminated soil in Kano State

Supervisor: Prof. A.H. Kawo

Specialization: Environmental Microbiology

Presenter 5: Idris Bala (SPS/14/MMB/00029)

Topic: Isolation and bioactivity evaluation of Bacteriocins from soil bacteria against multi-drug resistant clinical bacterial isolates

Supervisor: Prof. A.H. Arzai

Specialization: Medical Microbiology

Presenter 6: Ameh Alloysius (SPS/14/MMB/00011)

Topic: Bioremediation of soil contaminated with petroleum products using layer chicken droppings from some selected sites in Kano metropolis

Supervisor: Prof. A.H. Kawo

Specialization: Environmental Microbiology
Presenter 6: Aduku James Dasuma
(SPS/14/MMB/00007)
Topic: Effect of open waste disposal on the physicochemical and bacteriological qualities of ground water in Sabon Gari area of Kano State
Supervisor: Dr. Sani Yahaya
Specialization: Environmental Microbiology
Date: Tuesday 17th October, 2017
Chairman: Dr. Bashir Mohammed
Venue: Level 300 Laboratory (Near Undergraduate Microbiology Laboratory)
Department of Biochemistry: *PhD Progress Report Seminar*

1. Name of candidate: Abdulmumin Yunusa
(SPS/14/PBC/00010)

Topic: Medicinal properties and characterization of stem bark extract of *Boswellia papyrifera* (Del) in rats
Supervisor: Prof. AM Wudil

2. Name of candidate: Muhammad Ibrahim Usman
(SPS/14/PBC/00008)

Topic: Antidiabetic, antihypertensive, toxicological studies and characterization of *Khaya senegalensis* aqueous-methanol stem bark extract

Supervisor: Dr AJ Alhassan
M Sc Completion Seminar

1. Name of Presenter: Fatima Aminu Ahmad
(SPS/14/MBC/00011)

Topic: Determination of the effect of heat processing methods on the nutrient content of some selected cereal grain

Supervisor: Dr Muntari Bala

Chairman: Dr Aminu Ibrahim

Time: 10:00 am Prompt

Date: Tuesday 10th September, 2017

Venue: PG Class Biochemistry Department

Department of Geography: *PhD Seminar*

1ST PRESENTER: Moutari Achirou

TOPIC: Spatio-Temporal Variation in Tiger Bush Ecosystem and its Relationship with Climate and Anthropogenic Factors in Western Niger Republic

CHAIRMAN: Dr. Salisu Muhammad

2ND PRESENTER: Yusif Idris Garba

TOPIC: Soil Fertility Capability Classification (SFCC) for Arable Crops Cultivation in the Dryland of North Central Nigeria

CHAIRMAN: Prof. Maharazu A. Yusuf

3RD PRESENTER: Dahiru Mohammed Musa

TOPIC: Potentials of Indigenous Plants for Phytoremediation of Heavy Metal Contaminated Soil in a Baryte Mining Site of Azara – Wuse, Awe LGA, Nasarawa State, Nigeria

CHAIRMAN: Prof. Maharazu A. Yusuf

DATE: Thursday 12th October, 2017

Time: 10.00 am prompt

Venue: CB 17, **Geography Department**

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

Department of Agronomy: *PhD. Progress Seminar Presentations*

Presenter: Aminu Alhassan Fagge
(SPS/10/PAG/00002)

Topic: Effects of Soybean Rotation (*Glycine max* L) on Succeeding Maize (*Zea mays* L) Productivity in the Dryland Savannas of Northern Nigeria

Supervisor: Prof A. A. Manga

Internal Examiner: Prof. M. A. Hussaini

Chairman: Prof. B.M. Auwalu

M. Sc. Progress Seminar Presentations

Presenter: Suleiman Auwal Shehu
(SPS/14/MAG/00005)

Topic: Performance of Lettuce (*Lactuca sativa* L.) under Varying Plant Population and Nitrogen Rates in the Sudan Savanna of Nigeria

M. Sc. Proposal Seminar Presentations

Presenter: Shehu Musa Ibrahim

(SPS/14/MAG/00006)

Topic: Growth and Yield of Tomato as Influenced by Plant, Poultry Litter Tea in the Sudan Savanna Region of Nigeria

Supervisor: Prof. M.A. Hussaini

Internal Examiner: Prof. B. M. Auwalu

Supervisor: Prof. A. A. Manga

Internal Examiner: Dr. H. M. Isa

Chairman: Prof. B.M. Auwalu

Date: 11th October, 2017

Time: 12:00 noon

Venue: CDA Conference Hall.

Wedding Fatiha

Malam Garba Shu'aibu of the Dean's Office Faculty of Engineering invites members of the University community to the wedding fatiha of his daughters as follows:

Nasiru Habibu Ibrahim and Bilkisu Abubakar

Idris Mohd (Alh. Abba) and Sadiya Abubakar Shu'aibu, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Saturday, 14th October, 2017

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Juma'a Mosque, BUK Old Campus, Kano

