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OGUNRUKU PRESENTS BOOK ON NIGERIA'S HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION



The ideas, values, philosophy, morals and ethics of higher education administration in Nigeria, have been adeptly chronicled in a book titled: Trends in University Administration: A compendium of selected papers authored by foremost University administrator, Mr. Ayo Ogunruku. Ogunruku , a former Registrar, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife and erstwhile Director, Vice-Chancellor's office, Federal University of Technology, (FUTA), Akure mirrored the fate of Nigeria Universities vis-à-vis their

administration and governance which impacts their relevance and essence.

Reviewing the 13 chapter book at a public presentation held at the T. I Francis Auditorium, FUTA, Professor Michael Faborode, former Vice-Chancellor, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife and former Secretary General, Association of Vice Chancellors of Nigerian Universities (AVCNU) described the book as a profound text, well written in simple flowing language with a conceptual rendition of basic concepts that uses derived logic to state and interpret historical explorations with such clarity that enthralls the reader.

Reviewing the book by chapters, Faborode disclosed that the book examined the intricacies of administration in the Nigerian system alluding to the complex nature and uniqueness of University administration. He noted that the book deals with human resources management, in relation to the impact of organization performance and personnel commitment.

The Don pointed out that the author reviewed the Administration of Nigeria's tertiary education Institutions in the 21st century, identifying the key challenges and commensurately preferring panaceas which reinforce the relevance and centrality of the Registry in the effective and sustainable administration of the 21st century Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

Faborode also said that the author asserted that the role of the University administrator in research management, intellectual property protection and funding of research has now become specialized and expanded requiring new skills and specialization and professionalism. Faborode commended the book to all stakeholders in the Nigerian system that are committed to the superiority of knowledge as the veritable vehicle for human progress.

Also speaking, Chairman of the occasion and former Vice-Chancellor FUTA, Professor Peter Adeniyi described Mr. Ogunraku as an administrator par excellence whose professionalism, industry, doggedness, determination, commitment and optimistic deposition are exemplary and unparalleled. He said the book offers perfect guidelines in dealing with Nigeria's unique University system and is a must have for all administrations in the University system.

Earlier the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Joseph Fuwape represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor,

Academic, Professor Tunde Arayela said the book was a compilation of the administrative prowess of the author. He described the author as an administrator of note who has left indelible prints on the sands of time through untainted service to Higher Education Administration in Nigeria.

The launch was attended by dignitaries from all walks of life including Vice-Chancellors, Registrars, Clergy, staff and friends of the University all of who paid glowing tributes to the author.