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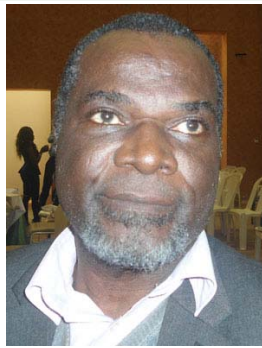
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Interview with Engr. Dr. Ayodele Afolabi Esan, FNSE

Engr. Dr. Ayodele Afolabi Esan, FNSE, is a Former Director General of United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

E-Newsletter: Sir, regarding the paper you presented titled “Clarion Call on Young Engineers for Creation of Cottage Industries for Sustainable Development in Nigeria”, can you throw more light on it?

Dr. Esan: The theme of the forum was looking at engineering and entrepreneurship and we should also look at the down turning in the economy and you find that we should also look at the value, foreign exchange of our currency and the need to improve on productivity is important because you find today that the big time industries are having challenges towards productivity. If we also look at the power supply, the issue of national grid is becoming an old thing. There is mini decentralization and from the current policy on industry, Small Medium Enterprises are in the focus and that is why you find that with the skills experienced in engineering training, there is no other way than for our young engineers to now look ahead into the future and look at what areas of translation their knowledge exposure will trend into commercial products, into buyable business and possibly looking at the raw materials that we have in the country.



Dr. Ayodele Esan

E-Newsletter: For the young engineer to become a young entrepreneur, how can they be guarded to start up whatever they will want to do?

Dr. Esan: Entrepreneurs definitely should be well informed and educated, but you find out, if I borrow your word “start up”, the Engineering Society has these training programs. By saying young engineers, we are not talking about young graduates engineers or the pupil engineers, we are talking of an engineer who has already gone through training programs and who has a passion and motivation for process development and product development. So you know the start up definitely is not just going to be zero. If you have passion for entrepreneurship, you must also have made some savings over the years towards it both in cash, kind and experience. It is not a green field situation. There is the need for training and mentoring. Today the young graduates graduate at 20 and 21, so there is that 15 years gap for them to get themselves well equipped to go into entrepreneurship. Just like we say, you must have 10 years experience before you can become a Fellow of the Nigerian Society of Engineers, you know there is always a duration for which start up can occur.

E-Newsletter: Thank you sir.



The Executive Committee meeting of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch was held on Thursday 3rd September 2015. The meeting was chaired by the Branch Chairman Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson, FNSE.



The Executive Committee of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch led by the Branch Chairman Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson, FNSE (4th from right), paid a visit to an Executive Committee member Engr. Francis Nemieboka, MNSE (5th from left) and his spouse Mrs. Nemieboka (6th from left) in his residence on Wednesday 2nd September 2015 on his survival of an accident.

The Nigerian Content and Career Development Committee
Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch

2015 Nigerian Content Week (Workshop & Exhibition) of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch.

Theme: Review Nigerian Content Gains, Challenges & Prospects in the Niger Delta since Inception

Date: 28th - 30th September, 2015.

Venue: Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo secretariat, Water Works Yard, #3 Bernard Carr Street, Port Harcourt.

Exhibitors, Sponsors and Partners are invited.

A – EXHIBITION (for the 3 days)

A1 - Inside Hall per Booth (Booth Size = 3M by 3M) = N120,000 (Maximum of 10 Booths, allocated on basis of First-come, First-served)

A2 - Outside (with or without canopy provided) = N120,000 (Outside exhibition space is more than adequate)

B – SHOW-CASING per session

B1 – At Opening or Closing Ceremony, with Presentation = N70,000

B2 – At Opening or Closing Ceremony, without Presentation

= N50,000

B3 – At any other times = N30,000

C -- BILL BOARD DISPLAY (Depends on size & orientation)

C1 – In front of the Exhibition Hall (Per Day) = N30,000

C2 – Any other place within the complex (Per Day) = N20,000

D -- ADVERT IN PROGRAM BROCHURE (Full Page

=N60,000 / Half Page =N35,000)

(Back Page = N100,000 / Inside Front Page = N80,000)

Student / Graduate Projects / Products that meet set guidelines will be given concessionary rates

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THEME:
“National Integrated Infrastructure Master Plan 2014: Strategies For Implementation”

Venue: International Culture & Event Centre (Dome), Akure, Ondo State
Date: Monday 16th— Friday 20th November 2015

Conference Registration

1. Early Bird (Not later than September 30, 2015) = N30,000	4. Graduates = N10,000
2. From October 1, 2015 = N40,000	5. Students = N5,000
3. Spouses = N10,000	



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