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'PEACE STUDIES, KEY TO PROSPEROUS, INCLUSIVE AND HARMONIOUS NIGERIA'- PROF AYOADE, ACPGG DIRECTOR

The Director of Adeboye Centre for Peace and Good Governance (ACPGG), Prof. Femi Ayoade, has said that Peace Studies can pave the way for a more prosperous, inclusive, and harmonious Nigeria. He made this assertion during the second edition of the Adeboye Centre for Peace and Good Governance colloquium

recently held at Redeemer's University, Ede, Osun State.


Giving his address at the one-day seminar aimed at exploring the different paths to globalized peace practices that align with the Centre's core mandate, Prof. Ayoade stated that the key to addressing the problem of national development and social

cohesion requires a dynamic approach to integrate principles from peace studies.

Delivering the keynote address at the event, an erudite professor of peace and conflict studies from the Institute of Peace and Strategic Studies, University of

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Ibadan, Professor Isaac Olawale Albert noted that the investment in Peace and Conflict Studies will go a long way in elevating the status of Redeemer's University in the comity of universities. He made this assertion at the colloquium themed 'Peace Studies and Practice in a Globalizing World.'

"Rating of universities is intertwined with politics and funding of peace-related courses," he said. Professor Albert, who shed light on the systemic challenges faced by institutions striving to promote peace education, described globalization as the world being reduced to a 'global village.' He referred to how the war between Russia and Ukraine has affected the supply of grains to other countries of the world.

He further noted that while conflicts span from global to intrapersonal levels, Intrapersonal



Prof. Femi Ayoade
Director, Adeboye Centre for Peace and Good Governance

peace is the state of peace within man himself. "Although the intrapersonal level of peace is the smallest, it can generate a global problem," he said. According to Prof. Albert, the intrapersonal level of conflict is the most dangerous level of conflict because it worsens when resources are scarce, divergent values, psychological needs, and a communication breakdown, thereby causing a breakdown of law and order, which

can act as a gateway to corruption and discord. "The enemy can only crawl into a country or continent through conflict," he concluded.

In his remark, the Vice-Chancellor of Redeemer's University, Prof. Shadrach Akindele, noted the timeliness and relevance of the topic due to the present complexities of issues in different nations of the world and the fear of the outbreak of World War III. He emphasized that the pursuit of peace transcends individual interests and national boundaries.

Present at the event were the Registrar, Mrs Mojisola Oje; Provost, College of Post-Graduate Studies, Prof. Olalere Adeyemi; The Director, Directorate of Politics and Governance in RCCG and also the Pastor-in-charge of Region 43, Osogbo, Nigeria, Pastor Timothy Olaniyan; Deans of Faculties; other Staff and Students of the University.

RUN PROMOTES SIX ACADEMIC STAFF TO PROFESSORIAL CADRE

At its 57th Statutory Meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, the Appointments and Promotions Committee (Academic Staff) approved the recommendations of External Assessors on the promotion of six academic staff members to the positions of Professor and Reader with effect from October 1, 2023, in accordance with Redeemer's University's policy of prioritizing the welfare of its employees.

Prof. Oluyinka O. Olajire from the Department of Sociology

& Social Works, Prof. (Mrs.) Foluke O. Unuabonah from the English Department, and Prof. Kenneth E. Okpala from the Accounting Department are the academic staff members who have been elevated to the full Professorial cadre.

Dr. Benjamin U. Anaemene of the History and International Studies Department, Dr. Dayo R. Omotoso of the Anatomy Department, and Dr. (Mrs.) Oyinlola M. Akinyede of the



Prof. Shadrach Olufemi Akindele
Vice-Chancellor

Finance Department have also been promoted to the rank of Reader.



Prof. Christian Happi
 Director, African Centre of Excellence for Genomics of Infectious Diseases

HLF HONOURS PROFESSOR HAPPI'S LEADERSHIP ROLE IN SCIENCE

The Director of African Centre of Excellence for Genomics of Infectious Diseases (ACEGID) in Redeemer's University, Prof. Christian Happi recently received the Role Model Award for Outstanding Contributions in the field of science from the Hallmarks of Labour Foundation (HLF). The award was presented to him during the HLF's 27th Anniversary and Great Nigerian Awards held on Saturday, April 20 at the Lagos Oriental Hotel.

The Chairman, Board

of Trustees of HLF, Dr. Christopher Kolade said the award was "in recognition of his outstanding performance in the promotion of science for which Nigeria has greatly benefited."

With this award, Prof. Happi joins distinguished HLF role models like Prof. Oyewale Tomori, the pioneer Vice-Chancellor of Redeemer's University; Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, President of the African Development Bank; and Dr.

Ngozi Okonjo Iweala (President of the World Trade Organization), among others.

Other awardees include Professor Emeritus Akinjide Osuntokun, former Nigeria's Ambassador to Germany; Coordinating Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Prof. Mohammed Ali Pate; Amb. Geoffrey Onyeama, former Minister of Foreign Affairs; and Prof. Adesola Adeniyi, Secretary, Nigeria Academy of Medicine and seven other distinguished Nigerians.



Mr. Adetunji Adeleye receiving his certificate of confirmment

NIPR CONFERS FELLOWSHIP ON ADELEYE

The Governing Council of the Nigerian Institute of Public Relations (NIPR) has conferred the institute's highest fellowship on Mr Adetunji Adeleye, Deputy Director, Corporate Affairs, Redeemer's University, Ede, Osun State. The investiture ceremony was held during the 61st Annual General Meeting of the institute on Thursday, 25th April 2024, at the Ogun State Cultural Centre in Abeokuta.

Congratulating 2024 fellows, the FAC's secretary, Mr Vivian Ikem, stated that 'fellowship remains the highest cadre of our institute's membership and the key driver of our reputation and it calls for diligence that only the best become 'FELLOWS'.

Also speaking at the end of the fellowship screening examination, the Chairman of the 2024 NIPR Fellowship Awards Committee, Dr Andee Iheme, remarked that despite Adeleye's tremendous contributions and remarkable achievements in the practice of public relations in Nigeria and Africa as a whole, he has remained humble and with this attitude, the committee believes that he will go far in life.

While presenting this year's set of fellows, NIPR President, Dr. Ike Neliaku, highlighted that the sixteen fellows have distinguished themselves and earned their status in the practice of public relations in Nigeria and were products of rigorous selection process. He said that the institute has placed them on probation for two years to allow for further assessment of their contributions to their chapters and the national body through the performance bond they have signed. He warned that failure to perform could lead to withdrawal of the fellowship award from the individual recipients.

Felicitating with Redeemer's University' spokesperson, Princess Tiwalade Fapohunda, a PR amazon, stated that Adeleye's elevation to the fellowship status is not only a testament to his incredible skills but an acknowledgement of his professionalism, integrity and dedication to upholding high ethical standards and that by his emergence, he has become an exemplary model for others to follow.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Shadrach Olufemi Akindele, in his congratulatory message to the

awardee, commended him for the attainment of that professional height.

Adeleye was recognized for leading in resolving the enrolment crisis and mitigating infrastructural deficits in higher education institutions in the continent through his services to the educational sector. Adeleye, whose membership dates back to 2008, attained full institute membership in 2012. He is a member of the 17-man NIPR national technical committee, 'Conference of the Public Relations Professionals and Practitioners in Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria'.

He has consulted for Coleman Research and Dialectical, two leading global consulting firms in the United Kingdom that consult for offshore universities entering the African educational market in enrollment and fundraising.

He holds international relations, peace studies, business administration, communication, and media studies degrees. He also has professional certifications in advertising and marketing. In August 2023, he was one of the speakers at the 3rd Annual Conference of Public Relations Practitioners in Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria, held in Abuja.



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