



Covenant University Newsflash

A weekly update of News and Events in Covenant University September 3-7, 2018

Vice-Chancellor Urges Participants to Maximise Opportunity at Training Programme on Leadership Skills, Others



Vice-Chancellor, Professor AAA. Atayero, making his remarks and declaring the seminar open

The Vice-Chancellor, Covenant, Professor AAA. Atayero, has urged

participants at a five-day three-part training programme on leadership skills, grant writing, and mentoring skills for emerging leaders to make the most of the opportunity.

The training programme featuring members of Management, Principal Officers, and Faculty of Covenant and her sister university, Landmark, was

organised by the Team Leader, West African Virus Epidemiology (WAVE), Covenant University Hub, Dr. Angela Eni, with facilitators drawn from the African Women in Agricultural Research and Development (AWARD).

Giving his remarks at the opening session of the training on leadership skills, held on Monday, September 3, 2018, Professor Atayero commended

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Covenant, CADAP Sign Non-Disclosure Agreement on Smart Service

Covenant and CADAP World Incorporated have signed a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA). CADAP is a Freetown, Sierra Leone-based organisation, which provides payment, education, connectivity, monitoring, financial inclusion for all, and energy anywhere.

The agreement mandates

both parties to recognise the need to disclose to each other certain confidential information to be used only for business purpose, and to protect such confidential information from unauthorised use and disclosure.

While appreciating the Management of Covenant

for its hospitality, the leader of the CADAP team, who is also the Executive President of the Company, Mr. David Meek Jah, who led the team, assured the University of his company's

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Vice-Chancellor, Professor AAA. Atayero and Executive Director, CADAP, Mr David Meek Jah, displaying the signed agreement

Covenant Sets New Record, Crosses 600 Publications for the Year!

Covenant is currently enjoying divine speed through the grace of God in her publication profile.

As at early September 2018, and with more than three months still ahead, Covenant has crossed 600 publications for the year by having 609 publications indexed in the Scopus database. This is 10.22% above the publication figure for the entire year in 2017, which was 548. The result further shows that the 609 publications already attained in 2018 represent 21.69% of the total publications of the University since inception.

Covenant's drive for quality research has been severally rewarded by the University's leadership in many research

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Dr. Eni for the initiative and said it would have cost the University a fortune to have her personnel undergo the training abroad. Thus, it would be an exercise in futility if by the end of the training, it did not impart on how things were done at Covenant and Landmark.

According to the Vice-Chancellor, the vision of Covenant was to be one of the top 10 universities in the world by the year 2022 and as such, members of Management,

Faculty and Staff must be at the cutting edge of their disciplines.

The Training and Development Officer, AWARD, Ms. Esther Njeru, said African women were having great innovations but were unable to present their findings. She added that the women had to seek mental and physical empowerment on how to write grant applications and then there was a need to involve everyone in the value chain,

including men.

Dr. Salome Gitoho, a faculty at the United States International University, Kenya, who was one of the facilitators, said the purpose of the training was to strengthen Covenant and Landmark leadership and enable them to pursue and realise the Universities' vision.

She said the training objectives were for participants to be able to identify strategic learning opportunities to strengthen areas for development in leadership; differentiate between leadership and management functions; strengthen the ability to lead a team effectively with diverse groups; and articulate how they can serve as change agents in their own institutions among others. The other facilitator, Mr. Douglas Ouma, from the University of Eldoret, Kenya, told the participants that they would also be exposed to how institutions could use leadership to help address development issues in Africa.

Earlier in her welcome remarks, Dr. Angela Eni explained that having three different topics for the training programme was necessitated by the fact that Covenant had various cadres of faculty with different needs. According to the event schedule, the training on leadership skills was to hold from Monday to Wednesday, the training on grant writing was billed to begin on Wednesday, while the training on mentoring skills for emerging leaders was fixed for Thursday. The whole exercise was expected to end on Friday, September 7, 2018.

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commitment to making the most of the new relationship.

Speaking at the meeting, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor AAA. Atayero, expressed confidence that the agreement between the two organisations would enhance their individual goals and objectives. "I believe this is a good thing we have done today, so we can move on and harness the benefits of this relationship as soon as possible," he enthused.

Earlier in his opening

remarks, the Registrar, Dr. Olumuyiwa Oludayo, pointed out that sustained conversations with CADAP had culminated into signing the agreement. He expressed the hope that things would go smoothly between the two institutions forthwith.

Also at the meeting were the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Professor Akan Williams; Director, Financial Services, Mr. Paul Uwajeh and a representative of the Legal Unit.

Chemists Charged to Ensure Healthy Generations *Contd. from Pg 1*

areas in Nigeria and beyond, according the Elsevier's SciVal report. Faculty of the University have also been constantly listed among the top 10 authors in Computer Science, Energy and Material Science, among others in Nigeria, and they mostly dominate the lists.

The speed that God has granted Covenant is such that 63.7% of the total publication figure of the University since inception was generated between 2016 and 2018, with three papers already listed for 2019.