

REPORT ON SDG POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND THE
ROLES OF UNIVERSITIES TOWARDS THE
IMPLEMENTATION AND ADAPTATION OF THE 17 UNSDGS IN NIGERIA BETWEEN LINCOLN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE MALAYSIA AND THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
COMMITTEE ON SDGS DEVELOPMENT IN NIGERIA.









































# **EVENT REPORT**

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2023, some delegates from Lincoln University College, Malaysia had a meeting with the members of the National Assembly house committee on SDG development in Nigeria on UN-SDG policy development and the roles of universities towards the implementation and adaptation of the 17 UN-SDGS in Nigeria. At the meeting, some action plans were discussed. In attendance are:

- The members of the National Assembly house committee on SDG development.
- Executive Secretary Nigeria Ministry of Education.
- Deputy Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission.
- Director of Research and Senior Professors from Lincoln University College Malaysia.

## Among the issues addressed at the meeting are:

- Problems and Challenges facing the implementation of UN-SDGs in Nigeria.
- Policies and strategies for smooth implementation of the 17 UN-SDGs in Nigeria.
- Interventions to support the UN-SDGs implementation in Nigeria.
- Strategies that enable adaptive management of the UN-SDGs in Nigeria.
- Entrepreneurship and skills acquisition Trainings.
- ICT Trainings for All.
- Vocational Trainings for All
- Financial supports (Funding) for startups among others.

At the meeting, the Director of Research, Lincoln University College Malaysia vouch to continue to conduct ICT Vocational Training Series to the Nigerian youths through Lincoln University College Professional Training Center. According to him, the training has been going on in Malaysia for more than 5 years and it has really positively transformed the life of many. The training prepares every participant for the competitive job market of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. It provides them with a solid foundation and skills in the field of ICT that will enable then to become self-reliance.

#### **Pictures of The Event**





Some of the delegates from Lincoln University College, Malaysia, and the members of the National Assembly House Committee on SDG Development in Nigeria at the meeting.



# REPORT OF NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AGENDA 2030 AND THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG)

Theme: At the Midpoint of Agenda 2030 and Sustainable Development Goals: Which Way Nigeria and Africa?

# Organized by:

Lagos State University centre for the actualization of UN sustainable development goals (LASU-SDG)

In collaboration with the United Nations information center

The Lagos State University Centre for the Actualization of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (LASU-SDG) in collaboration with the United Nations Information Centre (UNIC), Abuja, Nigeria, organized a National Conference on Agenda 2030

and the SDGs titled "At the midpoint of Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals: which way Nigeria and Africa?"

Lincoln University Malaysia partnered and participated by sending the director of research and SDG (Dr Murtadho Alao) to Nigeria to participate in the conference.

The Conference was conducted on Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th August, 2023 at the Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos.

The National 2-days conference on Agenda 2030 and the SDGs was an opportunity for those in the academic community to express their views on the four component areas of the Agenda 2030 and the SDGs. In each of the sessions, there was room for dialogue, debate and discussion on the key issues.

A wide range of participants such as: the representative of the Lincoln University Malaysia, Lagos State University, officials from UNIC Abuja, and other Academia attended the conference.

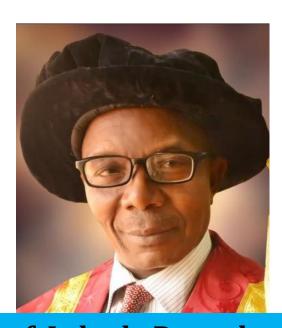
## THE SPEAKERS OF THE EVENT:



Prof. Ibiyemi Ibilola Olatunji-Bello mni, NPOM Vice Chancellor Chief Host



Prof. Tayo Julius Ajayi Director- LASU-SDG HOST



Prof. Labode Popoola
Fmr Vice Chancellor Osun
State University
Keynote Speaker



Mr. Ronald Kayanja Director UNIC Abuja Co-Host



Dr. Feyi Oni
Associate Professor Of Climatology
University Of Lagos
Lead Speaker



Mr. Matthias Schmale
UN Resident & Humanitarian
Coordinator in Nigeria
Guest of Honour



Mr. Opeyemi Orinowo

Policy Adviser/Economic Affairs & Public Diplomacy Consulate General Of The Kingdom Of Netherlands, Lagos.

Lead speaker



Prof Funminiyi Abiodun Raheem Adeleke

Professor of public law, Lagos state University Ojo.

**Lead speaker** 



# Odewumi Samuel Gbadebo

Professor of transport,
Environment and Logistics
Lagos state university
Lead speaker





# CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS)

# THEME: LOCALIZING THE SDGS: THE ROLE OF CSOS AND THE UNIVERITY

Organized By: Women's major group

In collaboration with Lincoln University College Malaysia

**DATE: WEDNESDAY 1ST AUGUST, 2023** 

VENUE: GRAND IBRO HOTEL ANNEX, WUSE ZONE 5, ABUJA.

**INTRODUCTION:** Given the scope and ambition of the SDGs, it is clear that governments alone cannot achieve the agenda. They must also facilitate participation of all sectors of society, including civil society organization (CSOs), the university, the private sector and the general public at the local level.

A 1-Day international Conference on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) was held in Abuja, Nigeria with the Theme: Localizing the SDGs across the globe: The Role of CSOs and the university which aims to unravel the potential roles of CSOs and the university in the effective implementation of the SDGs across the globe as well as to enhance their engagement, impact and effectiveness in global development processes.

**ATTENDANCE:** A wide range of participants (350) from Civil Society, Lincoln University College Malaysia, United Nations, African Union, Key Government Ministries and Agencies including grassroots organizations attended the conference.



# **PICTURES OF THE EVENT:**

















# RELATION WITH NATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL NGOs AND STAKE HOLDER FOR SDG POLICY

Lincoln University College (LUC) has direct involvement in or input into national government or regional non-government organizations' SDG policy development – including identifying problems and challenges, developing policies and strategies, modeling likely futures with and without interventions, monitoring and reporting on interventions, and enabling adaptive management:

Following are some of the report of joint events organsed at both national and international level.

MoU Signing Ceremony between Dr. Mohd Yusoff Bin A. Bakar & Dr. Ivan Elisabeth Purba for the development of Policies regarding SDG development and solutions for challenges

Dato (Amb) Dr. Mohd Yusoff Bin A. Bakar, Vice Chancellor & CEO, Lincoln University College, Malaysia signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Dr. Ivan Elisabeth Purba, M. Kes., Rector, Universitas Sari Mutiara Indonesia on February 22, 2023 at Lincoln University College, Malaysia. The event was witnessed by Prof. Datuk Dr. Hajjah Bibi Florina Abdullah, Pro-Chancellor, Lincoln University College, Malaysia and Dr. Parlindungan Purba. Both the parties will consult and frame the polices for



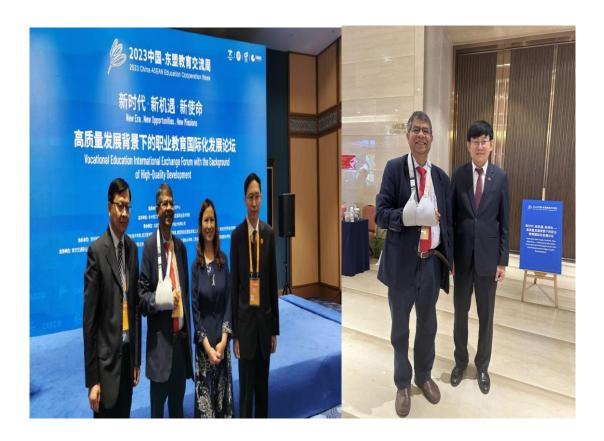


sustainable develoment goals in the field of education.

# 2023 China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week

Dr. Amiya Bhaumik, President, Lincoln University College, Malaysia visited the 2023 China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week held from August 28 to September 2, 2023. Dr. Bhaumik met Xia Juan, Deputy Director, China Center for International People to People Exchange, Ministry of Education, China.

The event aims on "New Era, New Opportunities, New Missions" with a focus on Vocational Education International Exchange Forum with the Background of High-Quality Development. This is targeted at actualizing United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN-SDGs).



The 2023 China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week was hosted by Ministry of Foreign Affairs of P. R. China, Ministry of Education of P. R. China, and Guizhou Provincial People's Government, organized by Guizhou Provincial Department of Education, and The Foreign Affairs Office of Guizhou Province, and co-organized by Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO) and ASEAN-China Centre (ACC).

# Strengthening Research Integrity in the Global Landscape through Trends and Innovation in the 21st Century

Dr. Nidhi Agarwal, Professor, Faculty of Social Science and Humanities and Program





Coordinator, Master of Education, Lincoln University College, Malaysia delivered a Keynote Speech at an international conference on "Strengthening Research Integrity in the Global Landscape through Trends and Innovation in the 21st Century" organized by LCUP and GE&RA in Philippines on July 28, 2023. Apart from that Dr. Agarwal participated in the country panel discussion with different enthusiasts and professors engaged in meaningful discussion towards the development of activities related to developing policies related to SDG development.

# SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP DECLARATION Issued jointly by the attendees in the International Youth Social Entrepreneurship Summit 2021 August 12-13

WHEREAS there is an increasing realization about the limitation of traditional models of businesses especially from the perspective of sustainable development, environmental conservation and promotion of social values such as equity and inclusivity while creating a network of key stakeholders including entrepreneurs, investors, business angels and international organizations to augment necessary changes in the existing ways of pursuit of economic ideals;

WHEREAS the international community realizes the importance of enterprising ability of young people for the promotion of higher standards of living, full employment, and conditions of economic and social progress and development, with a view to the creation of conditions of stability and well-being based on respect for the principle of equal rights;

WHEREAS the emergence of various models of social enterprises are highlighting the crucial role that innovative business solutions, and in particular the role of youth-led social enterprises and start-ups, can play in achieving social objectives at local, regional and global levels and in addressing pressing social and economic challenges;

WHEREAS there is a recognition of the importance of providing entrepreneurs access to the necessary tools, knowledge, and networks to promote collaboration on the role of youth led social enterprises, and to build the capacities of existing and aspiring social entrepreneurs, leveraging on their respective expertise, with a view to achieving the Agenda 2030 and the SDGs;

Representing a collage of social entrepreneurs, campaigners, NGOs, young innovators, researchers and academicians present at the International Youth Social Entrepreneurship Summit, 2021, we, believe that social entrepreneurship and youth led social entrepreneurship should receive desired attention to empower young women and men in realizing their full social and economic potential and in putting innovative business ideas into practice with a view to achieving higher levels of living and development Consequently, we call upon the decision makers to:

- 1. Increase efforts to build a supporting entrepreneur ecosystem for encouraging social entrepreneurs to successfully create and develop their social enterprises, including rightful legal recognition, improved access to markets, networks, knowledge sharing platforms, and skills (global virtual education and training), and improved access to sustainable sources of finance:
- 2. Establish partnership channels among all stakeholders (young people, government, civil society, academicians, advocates, political leaders and community leaders) for the promotion of entrepreneurship, and particularly social entrepreneurship, for inclusive and sustainable development, and recognize social entrepreneurship as a key driver of job creation and economic independence and empowerment, with a special focus on groups which are underrepresented in the society;

- 3. Develop a strong financial marketplace for social entrepreneurship by giving legal recognition and incentivizing private sector leaders to support financial arrangements such as crowdsourcing, venture philanthropy, and angel funds and other funding channels which provide social enterprises working in the sector of climate change, sustainable development, agriculture extension services, health services etc;
- 4. Accelerate the task of designing activities to increase the number of social enterprises and startups which are committed to jointly take action towards the achievement of the SDGs and promote research on the best practices regarding social entrepreneurship to facilitate sharing of best-practices in different sectors and countries:
- 5. Bring entrepreneurship classes within in the formal education system, with a specific module on social entrepreneurship and create platforms to increase soft skills, digital skills and other leadership attributes of social entrepreneurs;
- 6. Promote networking among aspiring and potential entrepreneurs and social entrepreneurs, local authorities and national governments, international organizations, voluntary organizations, representatives from academia, science, technology and educational institutions, investors, and others, to commit to this Declaration and strive for its observance through their respective strategies to support and enable entrepreneurship, with a particular focus on youth, women.

The International Youth Social Entrepreneurship Summit was organized under the title "Youth Innovation and Incubation for Achieving SDGs, Recovery from the COVID-19 and Prosperity" on 12<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 on the occasion of International Youth Day. This event was landmark for promoting Social Entrepreneurship in globe because this has brought more than 800 persons from 20 countries form the diverse sectors such as, policy makers, experts, academia, social entrepreneurs', CSOs, private sectors, cooperatives, media, development partners together for breaking through on understanding about the social entrepreneurship and policy framing and encourages mobility of youth on social business as well as in the creation of a strategic direction on achieving 2030 agendas and prosperity. Furthermore: nediktm@gmail.com



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

BETWEEN

# **NEPAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (NEDI)**



&

# LINCOLN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, MALAYSIA



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# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (herein after called as the 'MOU') is entered into on 04-10-2021 by and between

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, MALAYSIA (hereinafter referred as 'First Party', the institution which expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context shall include its successors in office, administrators and assigns). Address: Wisma Lincoln, No. 12-18, Jalan SS 6/12, 47301 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia.

#### AND

NEPAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE, NEPAL (herein after referred as 'Second Party', the organization which expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context shall include its successors in office, administrators and assigns). Address: SOS Marg, Koteshwor, Kathmandu, Nepal.

(First Party and Second Party are herein after jointly referred to as 'Parties' and individually as 'Party')

#### WHEREAS:

A. First Party is a Higher Educational Institution named:

# LINCOLN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, MALAYSIA

B. First Party & Second Party believe that collaboration and co-operation between themselves will promote more effective use of each of their resources, and provide each of them with enhanced opportunities towards SDG implementation activities and knowledge exchange that leads to a better life in our society through Social Entrepreneurship programs.

C. The Parties intent to cooperate and focus their efforts on cooperation within area of poverty eradication and corporate social responsibility (CSR) programs through the implementation of UN SGGs.

D. Both Parties, being legal entities in themselves desire to sign this MOU for advancing the mutual interests.

E. NEPAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE, NEPAL, the Second Party was founded as a not-for-profit making and non-political-non-governmental and a social development organization (SDO) in 2003. As a Civil Society Organization (CSO), NEDI is strongly believed and applying mutual partnership and good coordination with government institutions, development partners and all concern stakeholders including private sector.

NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL PROMISESE SET FORTH IN THIS MOU, THE PARTIES HERE TO AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

## 1.0 COOPERATION

1.1 Both Parties are united by common interests and objectives, and they shall establish channels of communication and co-operation that will promote and advance their respective operations within the



Institution and its related wings. The Parties shall keep each other informed of potential areas where supports are truly needed and shall share all information that may be relevant to secure additional opportunities for one another.

1.2 First Party and Second Party co-operation will facilitate effective utilization of the intellectual capabilities of the faculty of First Party providing significant inputs to them in developing suitable VOCATIONAL SKILLS and entrepreneurship training that leads to self-reliant, keeping in mind the needs of the industry.

1.3 The general terms of co-operation shall be governed by this MOU. The Parties shall cooperate with each other and shall, as promptly as is reasonably practical, enter into all relevant agreements, deeds and documents (the 'Definitive Documents') as may be required to give effect to the actions contemplated in terms of this MOU. The term of Definitive Documents shall be mutually decided between the Parties. Along with the Definitive Documents, this MOU shall represent the entire understanding as to the subject matter hereof and shall supersede any prior understanding between the Parties on the subject matter hereof.

## 2.0 SCOPE OF THE MOU

- 2.1 The organizational level of this MOU will be between NEDI and LUC for engaging with Nepal SDGs Forum and campaigns in both countries on capacity building, awareness raising, knowledge sharing on SDGs and 2030 agendas.
- 2.2 Both Parties will be co-organizer or participant of events or activities of interest, especially, those that have something to do with the UN SDGs.
- 2.3 Both Parties will be co-organizer or participant of events or activities of interest and exchange knowledge that leads to a better life in our society through Social Entrepreneurship programs.
- 2.4 Research Volunteers: Organize research programs academic and non-academic by LUC and NEDI on different thematic areas.
- 2.5 Event Volunteers: Event Volunteer will support to promote events, technical inputs, event host and the necessary support.
- 2.6 Student Volunteers: Both Parties can arrange the student exchange, volunteering in between Nepal and Malaysia and engage in different community activities as well as social work activities.
- 2.7 Short academic and non-academic course. Both Parties will be engaged to prepare short and long term academic courses related to SDGs and Social Entrepreneurship and promote globally.
- 2.8 Both Parties agreed to share and use the logos of both parties as necessary during events and programs.
- 2.9 The MOU will voluntarily apply for both Parties and will be renewed each year by improving and agreeing terms and conditions as necessary.
- 2.10 This MOU will not indicate any financial obligation however both parties can prepare the Terms of References and agreement paper based on a particular event/activity/program.
- 2.11 Certification: In the case of short academic and non-academic courses, upon the completion of the course, First party in affiliation with Second party will issue certificate to the beneficiaries. This certificate will serve as evidence of completion of the specified program.
- 2.12 Both Parties to obtain all internal approvals, consents, permissions, and licenses of whatsoever nature required for offering the program on the terms specified herein.



#### 3.0 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

3.1 Nothing contained in this MOU shall, by express grant, implication, Estoppel or otherwise, create in either Party any right, title, interest, or license in or to the intellectual property (including but not limited to know-how, inventions, patents, copyrights and designs) of the other Party.

## 4.0 VALIDITY

- 4.1 This Agreement will be valid until it is expressly terminated by either Party on mutually agreed terms, during which period the Second Party as the case maybe, will take effective steps for implementation of this MOU. Any act on the part of the Parties after termination of this Agreement by way of communication, correspondence etc., shall not be construed as an extension of this MOU.
- 4.2 Both Parties may terminate this MOU upon 30 calendar days' notice in writing. In the event of Termination, both parties have to discharge their obligations.

#### 5.0 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PARTIES

5.1 Neither Party is authorized to use the other Party's name in anyway, to make any representations or create any obligation or liability, expressed or implied, on behalf of the other Party, without the prior written consent of the other Party. Neither Party shall have, nor represent itself as having, any authority under the terms of this MOU to make agreements of any kind in the name of or binding upon the other Party, to pledge the other Party's credit, or to extend credit on behalf of the other Party.

Agreed and Accepted by

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE,

MALAYSIA

Name :

Prof. Dr. Amiya Bhaumik

Designation

President

Date

08/10/2021

INIVERSIT

DKU016(B)

Agreed and Accepted by

NEPAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE, NEPAL

Name

: Mr Afjun Kumar Bhattarai

Designation: National Coordinator

Date

: 04/10/2021



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# REPORT ON POLICY DISCUSSION ON THE ROLES OF UNIVERSITIES TOWARDS THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY IN NIGERIA BETWEEN LINCOLN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE MALAYSIA AND NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION (NUC) NIGERIA.

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# **EVENT REPORT**

LUC was one of the universities invited by NUC to policy discussion on the roles of universities towards the eradication of poverty in Nigeria. In attendance are:

- Nigeria Ambassador to Malaysia
- Executive Secretary Nigeria Ministry of Education
- Executive Secretary National Universities Commission
- Chairmen and Pro-Chancellors of both government and private universities in Nigeria
- Vice chancellors and Deputy vice chancellors of both government and private universities in Nigeria
- President, Pro-Chancellor, and Vice-Chancellor of Lincoln University College Malaysia all attended the event.

Among the solutions highlighted at the discussion are:

- Entrepreneurship and skills acquisition
- ICT Trainings for all
- Vocational Trainings for all
- Financial supports (Funding) for startups

At the meeting, the President of Lincoln University College Malaysia vouch to include Nigerian youths in the university ICT Vocational Training Series. According to him, the training has been going on in Malaysia for almost 5 years and it has really changed the life of many people. The training prepares every participant for the competitive job market of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. It provides them with a solid foundation and skills in the field of ICT that will enable then to become self-reliance.

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