NATIONAL BOARD FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION

NBTE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR TVE

(UNEVOC CENTRE)
West Africa Cluster

ACTIVITIES OF NBTE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN 2016

No. 9 Degel Close, Off Degel Road, U/Rimi GRA Kaduna
Our Vision

The Vision of the Centre is to be recognized as a truly international, effective and relevant Centre of Excellence for internationally competitive training for TVE personnel, online sharing of TVE curricula and support materials, policy initiatives and directions for TVE development and linkages for TVE institutions within the ECOWAS member countries.

Our Mission

The NBTE TVET Centre of Excellence mission is planned to be an institution of excellence for Technical and Vocational Education (TVE) in the ECOWAS sub-region. It will provide
internationally competitive training for TVE personnel, online sharing of TVE curricula and support materials, policy initiatives and directions for TVE development and linkages for TVE institutions within the ECOWAS member countries.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE NBTE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR TVE

The NBTE Centre of Excellence for TVE located at No. 9 Kajuru Close, Unguwar Rimi GRA, Kaduna, was established by the Governing Board of the National Board for Technical Education, under the auspices of the former UNESCO-Nigeria project for the revitalisation of TVET in Nigeria. The major objective of the Centre, initially, was to ensure the sustainability of the Project after the expiry of the period of implementation, especially in terms of TVET Staff and human resources development, curriculum development and production of teaching/instructional materials initiated by the Project. Subsequently, due to the acceptability of the Project’s outcomes by ECOWAS as well as UNESCO-BREDA (Dakar Office), the Centre sought to extend its services to sister West African states.

NBTE UNEVOC COORDINATING CENTRE FOR WEST AFRICAN CLUSTER

In July, 2012, the Centre was recognised as a UNEVOC Cluster Coordinating Centre (CCC), to coordinate and facilitate interfacing between the UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre in Bonn, Germany and the UNEVOC Centres in the West African sub-cluster, consisting of twenty three (23) centres located in the following countries; Cape Verde, Cote d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal Sierra Leone and Togo. This arrangement is on voluntary and rotational basis. The UNEVOC is the international Centre of UNESCO charged with research and development in Technical and Vocational Education.

The Cluster Coordinating Centre (CCC) of the UNEVOC is regional or sub-regional centre that stimulates networking and improve the flow of information between UNEVOC centres in the region or the cluster and the UNEVOC headquarters. In addition it is also expected to perform the following specific functions:

i. Lead and coordinate UNEVOC activities within the Cluster;

ii. Contribute to the improvement of the National TVE system through capacity building activities among members;
iii. Review and give feedback on new membership applicants from the Cluster;
iv. Contribute to reporting on UNEVOC Centre’s performance in the Cluster;
v. Contribute to the process of accepting new members and of renewing and terminating memberships in the Cluster;
v. Liaise with UNEVOC on a regular basis to address matters in the Cluster.

For the Centre to perform these functions regular interaction between the Centre and the cluster centres in the sub-region will be ensured.
The first phase of the National Workshop on Leadership and Strategic Management was organised by the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) in collaboration with the National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA) and the Conference of Registrars of Nigerian Polytechnics and Colleges of Technology (COREG). The Workshop was organised for Registrars and Deputy Registrars of Polytechnics, Monotechnics and Similar Tertiary Educational Institutions in Southern Nigeria. The workshop which was held between 4th and 8th April, 2016 at the Headquarters of National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA) in Ondo City was for all TVET Institutions in the Southern part of the country.

The objectives of the workshop were to enable participants acquire and apply skills in E-administration, apply the various leadership styles in management and administrative dispensations, analyse decision making processes for policy statement implementation, resolve and manage crisis/conflicts, give and receive feedback professionally, design job specification for effective management, and analyse demanding areas for resource mobilization, utilization and management.

The workshop was attended by fifty two (52) participants from Polytechnics and similar Tertiary Educational Institutions from the South-South, South-East and South-Western parts of Nigeria.
1. PHASE II OF THE 3-DAY INTENSIVE IN-HOUSE TRAINING ON THE USE OF ADVANCE MICROSOFT EXCEL FOR ACADEMIC PLANNING RES. & ICT DEPARTMENT (18th – 20th April, 2016)

The second phase of the In-House advanced Microsoft Excel Training Workshop was organised by the NBTE Centre of Excellence for TVE on 18th – 20th April, 2016. The Training targeted senior officers of Research, Statistics and ICT Division of Academic Planning, Research, Statistics and ICT Department of the Board.

![Image of participants](image.jpg)

The objectives of the workshop was to expose participants on how to use advanced Ms Excel to Perform Lookup using Excel, Perform operations with the Excel ‘IF’ Function and programming, Work with Excel Data Functions, Display arrays In Ms Excel, Perform Excel Functions for Working with Text, Create and change Sparklines in Excel, Create and remove Outline automatically and manually, Set and display Scenario values, Audit and Troubleshoot Formulas. A total of sixteen (16) participants attended the training.
2. PHASE II OF THE NBTE/NIEPA TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR REGISTRAR/DEPUTY REGISTRARS IN NIGERIA AND SIMILAR TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS (17th – 19th May, 2016)

The second phase of the 3-Day National Workshop on Leadership and Strategic Management for Registrars and Deputy Registrars Polytechnics, Monotechnics and Similar Tertiary Educational Institutions in Northern part of the country was held at the NBTE Centre of Excellence for TVE at Unguwan Rimi GRA, Kaduna on 17th to 19th May, 2016.

![Group Photo](image)

The workshop was organised by the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) in collaboration with the National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA) and the Conference of Registrars of Nigerian Polytechnics and Colleges of Technology (COREG). It was attended by fifty three (53) participants from Polytechnics, Monotechnics and Similar Tertiary Institutions from the North-Central, North-West and North-Eastern part of the country.
3. TRAINING WORKSHOP ON IGR, NEW INCOMES SOURCES, BUSINESS INNOVATION AND FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME FOR POLYTECHNICS AND MONOTECHNICS IN COLLABORATION WITH SEAN CUSSONS NIG. LTD (22\textsuperscript{nd} and 23\textsuperscript{rd} June, 2016)

The workshop was held in collaboration with Sean Cussons, Abuja from 22\textsuperscript{nd} to 23\textsuperscript{rd} June, 2016 at the Centre for Management Development (CMD) Abuja, specifically for Directors of Income Generating Directorates of Polytechnics, Monotechnics and Innovation Institutions.

The objectives of the workshop was to equip participants with the tools that will transform their directorates in order to make them very profitable, Model their Directorates to offer management, Technological, Technical, Agricultural, Educational, Legal and such other services/products to clients organizations and determine what these services/products shall be, how they can be packaged and how paying clients can be reached. The workshop was attended by 46 participants.

4. OVERSITE VISITS TO NBTE UNEVOC CENTRE IN 2016

NATCOM-UNESCO Visits NBTE Centre of Excellence
The Director, NBTE Centre of Excellence Dr. (Mrs) Amina Idris (with some members of NBTE Management) addressing the Permanent Secretary and her team during a brief visit to the Board on 22nd June, 2016.

Group Photograph with the Permanent Secretary and her Team, NBTE Management and Staff of NBTE Centre of Excellence.
5. 2-DAY NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE (IQA) ORGANISED BY THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION (NBTE) ON 20\textsuperscript{TH} AND 21\textsuperscript{ST} JULY, 2016 AT THE NBTE SECRETARIAT, KADUNA

The workshop was organised by the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) for all the Polytechnics, Monotechnics and Similar Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria. The main objective of the workshop was to highlight how quality would be achieved in the programmes of the Institutions mentioned for the purposes of measurement and reporting, and how it was managed, controlled and assured. The theme of the workshop was “Internal Quality Assurance as a Panacea for Improving Academic Standards in TVET Institutions” and targeted all Deputy Rectors (Academic), Directors (Internal Quality Assurance Units) and Directors, (Academic Planning Unit) of the institutions as participants. In all forty (40) participants attended the workshop.

Participants in a group photograph with the Executive Secretary, NBTE, Dr M.A. Kazaure

Kazaure
Hosted by the Nigerian ICT Forum, the Nigerian Network Operators' Group (ngNOG) is the largest capacity building activity of ICT personnel and other stakeholders in Nigerian Higher Education. The Conference had in attendance over 200 delegates from Tertiary Education Institutions, IT Industry, Private and Public Sectors across the country and beyond sought to promote IT Infrastructural Development by both Private and Public sectors in Nigeria through collaborations and capacity building.

The activities at the conference included Panel sessions. The first session was chaired by Prof Ayo from the University of Ibadan and had the following dignitaries as panelist. The Executive Secretary NBTE represented by Dr Amina Idris, VC IBB University Prof Muhammad Nasir Maiturare, and the American University's Senior Director Information Systems, Mr Gabriel Fuster. Each panelist briefly highlighted the lessons learnt in managing their various institutions. After which delegates made contributions and asked questions. The Executive Secretary highlighted the importance of technology in running the affairs of the Board. He further enumerated the various advantages of running an ICT driven organisation in terms of efficiency, effectiveness and promptness of service delivery.
The 2-day hands-on-Training Workshop on Welding & Metal Fabrication for Teachers of Metal Work in Technical Colleges and Related Institutions was organized by NBTE in collaboration with BINALI Ventures for North West Zone at Airforce Institute of Technology Mando-Kaduna on 15\textsuperscript{th} – 16\textsuperscript{th} November 2016.

The major objective of the Workshop was to sharpen, Develop and strengthen the skills of participants. The training was divided into two sessions; Machining and Welding. A Shaft and an Iron Window/Burglar was designed for this purpose. Furthermore, at the end of the exercise, participants demonstrated their skills on the lathe, milling, shaping, welding and grinding machines, thereby enhancing their skills for general machining and welding jobs.

14 Participants attended the workshop from four States.
The workshop on improved productivity for drivers of Principal Officers of Polytechnics, Monotechnics and Similar Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria was organised by the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) in collaboration with the Kaduna Sector Command of the Federal Road Safety Corp. Thirty nine (39) participants from the Polytechnics and Monotechnics attended the workshop, while three (3) NBTE drivers attended as observers.
The Annual Consultative meeting of the Honourable Minister of Education, Mallam Adamu Adamu (here represented by the Director Tertiary, FME, Hajiya Fatima Jiddum Ahmed) with Rectors and Provosts of Polytechnics, Monotechnics and similar tertiary institutions took place at the NBTE Centre of Excellence on the 24th of November, 2016.

MEETING WITH CENTRE MANAGERS OF THE TWELVE (12) CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTRES (CPDCS) OF THE POLYTECHNICS SPREAD ACROSS THE SIX GEO-POLITICAL ZONES OF THE COUNTRY, FORMERLY UNESCO STAFF DEVELOPMENT CENTRES.
The meeting was called upon to deliberate with the Centre Managers of the 12 CPDCs on their 2017 Work Plan. It was carried out successfully with 7 Centre Managers in attendance.

10. ONGOING QUALITY ASSURANCE ASSESSORS (QAA) TRAINING IN PREPARATION FOR THE TAKE-OFF OF THE NATIONAL VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK (NVQF), KICKSTARTED IN NOVEMBER, 2016

11. WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS ON BILATERAL AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION (7TH -9TH NOV. 2016), AU DOMESTICATED EDUCATION INITIATIVES (9TH-11TH NOV. 2016) & THE PAN AFRICAN CONFERENCE ON TEACHER EDUCATION ROADMAP (PACTED)(14TH -16TH DEC. 2016) HELD AT FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (FME), ABUJA

The Director of the Centre represented the Board at the FME meetings and workshops on the implementation status on bilateral agreements in the field of education (7th -9th Nov. 2016), the AU domesticated education initiatives (9th-11th Nov. 2016) & the Pan African Conference on Teacher Education Roadmap of the African Union (PACTED. 14th -16th Dec. 2016). The Board’s activities relevant to the objectives of AU and PACTED were presented at the events
INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. TVET REGIONAL FORUM FOR EASTERN AFRICA, MAHE, SEYCHELLES, HELD FROM 16-18 MARCH, 2016.

The Director of the Centre, Dr Amina Idris was invited by UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre for TVET to participate in the TVET Regional Forum for Eastern Africa, Mahe, Seychelles, held from 16-18 March, 2016. The Forum focused on three priority areas: enhancing institutional capacities to promote employment intensive growth; enhancing youth skills and competencies for employability, entrepreneurship and business creation; and promoting job creation and enterprise development through public-private and private-private partnerships.
WORLD YOUTH SKILLS DAY ON JULY 15 AT THE UN CAMPUS IN BONN, GERMANY

In July, 2016, UNESCO-UNEVOC international centre in Bonn, invited the Federal Ministry of Education & NBTE to be part of the Celebrations for the World Youth Skills Day on July 15 at the UN Campus in Bonn, Germany. In attendance were over 140 TVET stakeholders from 35 countries, including Nigeria. Discussions centred on policy solutions to foster youth employment and entrepreneurship, facilitate transition to green economies and promote equity and gender equality. The Director of the Centre, Dr Amina Idris represented the Honourable Minister of Education on the Panel discussions on Government Responses to Transforming TVET for Sustainable Development Chaired by David Atchoarena (Director, Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems, UNESCO). During the forum, UNESCO also launched its newly adopted Strategy for TVET (2016-2021) which aims to support UNESCO Member States’ efforts to enhance the relevance of their TVET systems, equip youth and adults with skills and advance the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
The Workshop Revitalising the UNEVOC Network and Supporting Innovation in TVET Service in Francophone Africa’ was held in Dakar, Senegal, from 14 - 16 December, 2016. The major points discussed centred on using and Reinforcing the TVET Networks in Africa and how to Support Innovation in Vocational Training. The main objective of the workshop is to consider the Vision of UNESCO for TVET, the UNESCO strategy for TVET 2016-2021 to be achieved through vibrant UNEVOC networks and support of innovation in vocational training. There were 28 participants from 11 different countries, including Nigeria. It was a very interactive session that involved all the participants. A staff of the Yaba UNEVOC Centre, Mrs Comfort Eruanga represented the Cluster coordinator at the event.