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PROF ADESINA SODIYA RE-ELECTED; NIGERIA COMPUTER SOCIETY NEC 2021-2023 INAUGURATED

Professor Simon Adesina Sodiya has been re-elected, unopposed, as the President, Nigeria Computer Society (NCS). NCS is the umbrella body of all IT professionals, interest groups and stakeholders in Nigeria.

With about 15,000 members, spread across all the states of the federation, NCS remains the only national IT society with highly-skillful and dependable domain experts in various fields of Information Technology.

NCS, with major interest groups (ISPON, ITAN, NiWIIT, ITSSP, AITP, NITPCS) and structural organs (College of Fellows, Chapters, NACOS), remains committed to promoting and leapfrogging IT development in Nigeria.

Sodiya, alongside other members of the 22nd National Executive Council (NEC) for 2021-2023 were elected at the 2021 International Conference held in Uyo, capital of Akwa-Ibom State, from Tuesday 3rd to Thursday 5th of August 2021.

Meanwhile, the swearing-in ceremony/inauguration of the 22nd NEC of NCS held on Wednesday, August 25 at the secretariat, Alausa, Ikeja – Lagos with past presidents/leaders of the Society in attendance such as Alhaji Ladi Ogunye and Tunde Ezichi.

The past presidents tasked the incoming NEC on the need to strengthen the campaign on Information Technology (IT) Policy

advocacy and local content development, which they said were key to the growth of the computing profession and for the national development of the country.

Addressing the ICT journalists immediately after the oath-taking ceremony, Prof. Adesina set the tone for the new NEC, thus:

"We have actually commenced work on most of the things that our elders mentioned. Recently, we constituted a committee to look at how to integrate other IT-related interest groups into the umbrella of the Nigeria Computer Society. We have started discussing with the Fintech Association of Nigeria, Cybersecurity Association of Nigeria; even blockchain stakeholders groups. We felt that we should do this for a national ICT body that has everybody on board.

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"Apart from that, there are many people practicing IT in Nigeria who are not with us. And just like one of the elders mentioned, we are going to involve our startups more. We are planning an IT-Business Forum and we have gotten in touch with a number of startups. We have them to make presentations and tell us the challenges they have; in fact, my discussions with them at this stage has nothing to do with membership or joining NCS. We want to create a relationship first and then discussions continue".

Some of the elders also pushed for a need to have national honour for past leaders of NCS. Responding to that, the President welcomed the idea stating that "those that started this journey deserve special honours. They did a lot of work. Even 80% of the composition of NITDA Act 2007 came from our members".

Speaking on NCS as on the forefront of IT advocacy in Nigeria, Prof. Sodiya said the Society, within the next two years, will intensify its membership drive.

He said, "People are calling on their own to join NCS. We have been able to enhance the image of the Nigeria Computer Society in the last two years. That reflects on the number of people joining NCS, programme attendees.

On Advocacy, we will continue to charge the government to do the right thing and that is what we are for. NCS started at the time only few individuals could afford a computer, the public then we counted on mainframe computers probably in Unilag, UI, etc. but we have gotten to the time digital devices are prevalent. Therefore, we shall continue to let the government understand the need to provide necessary support to those who play a key role in ICT development".

Lending his voice to the calls for the deployment of technology to tackle national security, he said that the country has gotten to an embarrassing situation where armed bandits could gain access to the nation's defense academy.

The NCS President said, "That is a huge test for us as a nation and it is very embarrassing. If we are not careful this will become more serious. We know the government has been making efforts to

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tame the bandits, but it is not enough or efficient enough for us to solve our national security challenge".

He said that the Society made recommendations in the past on how to leverage on technology to curb the menace.

"Apart from that, we have set up a community to look at how we can effectively use technology to solve our national security challenges. We recently formed a new committee which has just submitted the report. They made a lot of recommendations and solutions again if the government is willing to adopt them.

One of the recommended solutions is the use of sensors to be able to track these criminals. For instance, the kidnappers have been collecting ransom; why not infuse sensors in the money which can be tracked. **Are we saying we cannot track our money with modern technology?**

The committee also strongly believes the government should intensify efforts in the use of surveillance drones. The drones are unmanned so even if they are destroyed no life will be lost, but drones can assist in intelligence gathering. The cost of a drone is not as expensive as the fighter jets.

Also speaking on the ongoing process to repeal the NITDA Act 2007, he said that NCS has constituted a committee from which NCS will draft its recommendations.

He warned that NITDA has become a sensitive Agency because of its critical role in galvanizing the IT and startup ecosystem hence the amendment must be carried out with utmost care in order not to stifle innovation.

Prof. Adesina also emphasized a need to re-engage those who drafted the initial Act (2007) to make recommendations towards the present exercise.

Prof. Sodiya was first elected president of NCS at a keenly contested election during NCS' International Conference in Gombe State on July 18, 2019.

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AS COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS CHART NEW COURSE

AAt the inauguration of the 2021-2023 national executive council members of theNigeria Computer Society (NCS) in Lagos recently, the body promised to inject fresh campaigns into its advocacy programmes that will guide Nigeria in achieving her digital transformation drive.

With the successful completion of its national conference and annual general meeting (AGM), held last month in Uyo, Akwa-Ibom State, which produced a new set of national executive council members of the Nigeria Computer Society (NCS), the body, last week in Lagos, held an inauguration ceremony for its newly elected council members who will drive the computer society in the next two years, from 2021 to 2023.

The newly elected national executive council members, during the swearing-in ceremony, promised to work with the local, state and federal governments, through its advocacy programmes, to chart a new course that will assist government to achieve faster digital transformation across the country.

In his acceptance speech, the re-elected president of NCS, Prof. Adesina Sodiya, promised to raise the bar through renewed advocacy that would address key issues like electronic voting during general elections, appointment of professionals into technical positions in government, the use of Information Technolgy (IT) professionals in executing government projects, quackery in IT profession, national security issues and the need to apply technology in addressing banditry in Nigeria, among others.

Repositioning NCS

Speaking about the repositioning of NCS for the greater task ahead of its newly elected council members, Sodiya said the new National Executive Council (NEC) members of NCS, would build on the existing structure of the past NEC, complete on-going projects and programmes of NCS, and introduce new initiatives that would further drive NCS advocacy campaigns.

"We will set up various working groups and committees that will help complete existing projects, introduce new projects and expand the scope of NCS. We are national IT body and we will discuss about collaboration with Financial Technology (FinTech) players and cybersecurity professionals, including blockchain group. The idea is to form a formidable team that will help address our national issues that relates to IT and cybersecurity," Sodiya said. He further explained that the new NCS NEC would come up with solutions through strong advocacy that would help achieve faster digital transformation in the areas of smart city, national security and the adoption of emerging technologies that would further drive the ease of doing business in Nigeria.

Sodiya, who spoke about the recently concluded national conference in Uyo, said over 900 persons attended both online and physical. He promised to leverage on the large number of NCS members to make future conferences, the largest body of IT professionals across Africa. He also stressed

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on the code of conduct document of NCS, that spells out the rights and privileges of members of the computer society and what is expected of IT professionals, which he said, would be infused into the constitution of NCS.

Advocacy

Sodiya who reiterated the essence of the formation of NCS as an advocacy group, said the body would continue to ensure that government at all levels, do what they were supposed to do to improve national security and the well-being of Nigerians. He said NCS would leverage on IT devices and emerging technologies to create awareness on the need for technology adoption and practice that would benefit Nigeria and Nigerians.

"We are all stakeholders in the IT development of Nigeria and we will continue to advocate the use of technology to address national security issues in Nigeria. The security architecture in Nigeria has collapsed and this is evident in the rising cases of banditry and kidnapping. We are even more worried that bandits could break into the security architecture of the Nigerian Defence Academy to kill and kidnap the military. These are some of the reasons why the new NEC members of NCS will intensify efforts in its advocacy campaigns in order to compel government to adopt and deploy the right technologies that will address insecurity across the country," Sodiya said.

He charged government to do more to address national security challenges, and promised collaboration between NCS and the federal government in mitigating national security threats.

He revealed that NCS had already developed a document on national security challenges and solutions, which he said would soon be submitted to the federal government, through the Office of the National Security Adviser (ONSA).

He listed some of the recommendations in the security document developed by NCS, to include the use of drones for surveillance and the use of sensor-based monitors for the tracking and location of bandits. "Technology can address so many societal ills and it takes the will and commitment of government to implement technology solutions that will address societal issues," Sodiya further said.

Redefining leadership

Elders of the NCS profession who were present at the inauguration of the new NEC members, charged them with sustainable leadership roles that will redefine the leadership of NCS.

The fifth president of NCS, who ruled between July 1993 and June 1995, Mr. Samuel Ezechi, advised the new council members on the need to strengthen the NCS Secretariat, its members and to promote professionalism among members. He equally advised council member on the need to generate funds that will help them execute programmes across Nigeria. He reminded the new NEC of their roles to serve the national community and not their immediate community. He challenged them to always uphold truth, fairness, goodwill and other ideas that will be of benefits of all members.

Another past leader of NCS, who is the eight

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president of NCS, Alhaji Ladi Ogunneye, stressed on discipline, timeliness to meetings and ethics of the NCS profession and advised the new council members to abide by their rules.

He spoke on leadership styles and advised council members to be more open to all and give listening ears to all complaints.

Ogunneye spoke on leadership types, styles and roles, and identified three types of leadership, which he listed to include Self-centred leader, Tribal leader and Ideal leader. He said the self-centred leader, also known as 'idiot' or 'upgraded barbarian', is a kind of leader that does not have the feelings of others and do not care about their well-being. He said the Tribal leader is only concerned about people from his ethnic group and friends, with less affection for others, while the Ideal leader is someone that has developed the skill and knowledge to live a public life, and strives for the common good of others, especially the oppressed and the minority groups.

Ogunneye therefore charged the new NEC members, especially the president, to demonstrate the attributes of an Ideal leader, in order to lead members of NCS in the right direction, and without rancor.

The past Provost, College of Fellows at NCS, Dr. Abimbola Salako, advised the new council members to make the constitution of NCS available on the website, to enable all members have knowledge of the constitution.

"We are in a global world where distance is no longer a barrier to communication. We must therefore populate our website with all the activities of NCS, including conferences. The history of NCS, where it is coming from, should also be uploaded on the website for all to see and learn, especially those outside of Nigeria," Salako said.

He also spoke on the need for NCS to collaborate with FinTech players in developing technology solutions that will address all the identified needs of the country.

Change of baton

One of the highlights of the inauguration ceremony was the official handover, which symbolised the change of baton from the past council members to the newly elected council members of NCS.

Former heads of committees like the Innovation and Research Committee, among others, handed over to the new committee members and all the newly elected council members were sworn-in by the legal officer of NCS, Olusoye Obiyomi Akerele, who administered the oath of office to all council members. They all promised to preserve and defend the constitution of NCS and they also promised that they will not allow their personal interests to influence their official conduct and decision. They promised to abide by the contents of the NCS constitution in all circumstances, according to law, without fear or favour.

The newly elected Deputy President of NCS, Dr. Sirajo Aliyu, who gave the vote of thanks, thanked the past presidents of NCS, and its members for attending the inauguration, which he said was a success and an avenue for council members to state their commitments.

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NCS KICKS AGAINST PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO NITDA ACT

THE Nigerian Computer Society (NCS) yesterday raised objections to some provision of the bill seeking to repeal the National Information Development Agency Act, No 28, 2007.

A copy of the proposed law seen by our correspondent seems to have re-awakened the quest by NITDA, then under the Minister of Communications and Digital economy, Dr Ibrahim Pantami, to usurp the powers of NCS to register information technology (IT) practitioners in the country.

This attempt was resisted by the NCS then while Pantami seemed to have acceded to the group's right to register IT professionals.

Specifically, in Part V of the bill under Licensing and Authorisations, Section 20: Requirements for Licences, Reguistrations and Authroisations, stated that: (1) the Agency shall by Regulation issue licences and authorisations for operators in the information technology and digital economy sector, and such regulation shall provide for licensing and authorisation criteria including renewal, suspension, and revocation conditions to promote free market operation and competition, among others; (2) the agency shall determine and register operators in the information technology and digital economy sector. Such register shall be published; (3) any person or body corporate who operates an information technology or digital economy service, product or platform contrary to the provisions of this Act commits an offence.

Reacting to the proposal, NCS President, Prof Adesina Sodiya, expressed dismay over the provisions of the document.

He said as a major stakeholder in

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the nation's ICT industry, the body was not carried along in the drafting of the Bill.

In the light of this development, Sodiya said NCS will write an official letter requesting for the draft of the proposed amendment after which it will set up a committee to review the proposed law.

Part IV of the proposed law which had Financial Provisions in Section 13 with Establishment of The National Information Technology Development Fund as subject matter, also made provision for the creation of a development fund.

"There is established a Fund, which shall be known as the National Information Technology Development Agency Fund (in this Act referred to as ("the Fund") and shall be used for the advancement of the country's digital economy objectives and related purposes; There shall be paid and credited into the Fund," it said.

A levy of one per cent of the profit before tax of companies and enterprises enumerated in the Third schedule to this act with an annual turnover of N100,00,000 and above; b grants-in-in-aid and assistance from bilateral and multilateral agencies," the Bill stated.

Sources said the Bill was drafted without the input of major stakeholders. They alleged that the document was never presented to the Board of NITDA for discussion let alone approval

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NIGERIA CAN GENERATE $3BILLION YEARLY FROM IT START-UPS- NITDA DG KASHIFU

The Nigerian IT start-up environment is capable of generating $3 billion annually, the Director-General of the Nigeria Information and Technology Development Agency (NITDA), Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi, has said.

The NITDA helmsman who disclosed this in an interview with Economic Confidential noted that the development translates to $30 billion revenue generation by 2030.

Mr Abdullahi noted that realizing the projection will entail harnessing the power of the internet by Nigerian innovators, adding that the Nigerian government is creating an enabling environment for start-ups to thrive.

The director-general described Nigeria as a country with great potential, going by its economic size, which, he said, makes up 18 per cent of Africa's GDP.

"Africa, apart from China, has the opportunity to benefit from the new world we are creating. Our size, our population is of advantage because the world is shifting from the way we eat, the way we work and the way we do things.

"This new normal is powered by technology and technology is derived by people. People that drive this technology migration are young people and Africa has the highest number of youth population in the world.

"It is also projected that by the year 2050, Africa will have 1 in 3 youths in this world," he said.

This, he said, is a potential advantage for Africa that Nigeria needs to harness well in order to benefit from the new economy, noting that three trends are shaping and creating the African economy.

According to him, the three trends, include increase, affordability and fast internet speed across the continent; startups to transform business landscape and the general economy.

He further explained that when you look at the emerging technology ecosystem, and the market they are creating, you will realize that there are two promising emerging technologies that are going to change a lot of things in the world: Blockchain and Artificial Intelligence.

He said that based on two reports by PWC, they projected that by year 2030, Blockchain technology will add up to $1.76 trillion to global GDP. And based on that report, they said that developing countries, at least, can add 4 percent of the GDP if they use that technology. For example, Nigeria's GDP today is more than $400 million. The 4 percent of $400 million is more than $10 billion. That is the minimum GDP Blockchain technology can generate.

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He further said that in another report, PWC projected that Artificial Intelligence can add more than $10 trillion to the global GDP by 2030 and based on that report, they said developing countries like Nigeria can add up to 5.6 percent to the GDP. So, still Nigeria, let's say we are targeting only $10 billion which is far less than 5.6 percent of our GDP today. So, you can see we have 20 billion already.

"We are doing a lot of things to ignite innovative activities in these sectors like for Blockchain, we have developed National Adoption Strategy as approved by the Minister of Communication and Digital Economy, Dr Isa Ali Pantami. Because they are foundational technologies, they cut across so many sectors. So, we have developed that foundational strategy and we are working with the startups ecosystem to develop prototypes and identify the most promising ones".

A member of both British Computer Society (BCS) Nigeria Computer Society (NCS) and the 1st Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert (CCIE) in Nigeria's Public Sector, Kashifu remarked that in the area of Artificial Intelligence, Nigeria has built the National Centre for Robotics and Artificial Intelligence which is helping to harness these potentials. So, that's $20 billion out of the $30 billion that we said.

"And today, based on Startups Genome report of 2020, Lagos startups ecosystem is valued at more than $2 billion and also recently, two of our startups have reached unicorn level that means evaluation of more than $1billion each. That is Flutterwave and Interswitch."

"So, now we have $4 billion. Lagos ecosystem has $2 billion, Flutterwave $1 billion, Interswitch $1 billion, and then Jumia is already valued at $1.9 billion. Roughly you have $6 billion in Lagos alone talk less of the other parts of the country".

Mr Abdulahi said the media and entertainment industry is powered by digital technology, mostly startups, and based on PWC report also, the Nigeria media entertainment sector will be valued at $10 billion by 2023. So, you can see that we are almost at that targeted $30 billion.

"So, we hope we will exceed that target and we are on track based on our initiatives, based on government policies like the National Digital Economy Policy and Strategy (NDEPS), and other government interventions in form of policies and infrastructural interventions. All these can help us to reach that target of $30 billion by 2030.

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UPDATE FROM MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION AND DIGITAL ECONOMY

Q2: ICT SECTOR RECORDS 17.9% CONTRIBUTION TO GDP

The Honourable Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, Isa Pantami, has expressed delight over the contribution of the Information and Communications Technology (ICT) sector to Nigeria's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the second quarter of 2021 (Q2 2021).

According to the report from National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) released today, the ICT sector contributed 17.92 per cent to the total real GDP in Q2 2021 representing a 20.54 per cent higher than its contribution a year earlier.

"This is the highest contribution of ICT to the GDP and is truly unprecedented", the Minister stated in a statement to Daily Sun.

The NBS report showed "Nigeria's GDP grew by 5.01%(year-on-year) in real terms in the second quarter of 2021, marking three consecutive quarters of growth following the negative growth rates recorded in the second and third quarters of 2020."

The negative growth was triggered by COVID-19, not only in Nigeria but also globally. Even within that period, the ICT sector in Nigeria continued to experience positive growth.

The oil sector contributed 7.42 per cent to total real GDP in Q2 2021, down from figures recorded in the preceding quarter, where it contributed 9.25 per cent.

The non-oil sector grew by 6.74 per cent and contributed 92.58 percent to the GDP.

Pantami noted that the growing contribution of the ICT sector to the GDP is as a result of the commitment of the administration of President Muhammadu Buhari, to the development of the digital economy.

"The 16 National Policies developed by the Ministry, the 1,667 projects and

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programmes, the large scale digital skills and general capacity building efforts, stakeholder engagement and creation of an enabling environment have all played an important role in this achievement."

The unprecedented contribution of ICT to Nigeria's GDP can also be attributed to the dynamic and results-oriented leadership of the sector, which has been acknowledged and appreciated by a wide spectrum of the stakeholders in the sector, both locally and internationally.

For example, Mr Houlin Zhao, the Secretary General of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) commended the Minister for Nigeria's "accelerated digital transformation". Similarly, the Chairman of the United States-Nigeria Council (USNC) also commended him for the "commitment to diversifying Nigeria's great economy through digital technology and innovation."

The GDP Report has shown how critical the ICT sector is to the growth of our country's digital economy and, by extension, the general economy. The Minister renewed his call to all sectors to take advantage of the Federal Government's new focus on the digital economy to enable and improve their processes through the use of ICTs.

This would enhance the output of all the sectors of the economy and boost Nigeria's GDP.

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INTRODUCTION

The increasing penetration of Information Technology (IT) in society has made many technology companies very relevant today. Information Technology-based organizations continue to provide the needed infrastructural supports and technical expertise for various daily activities. Indeed, technology entrepreneurship has become a vehicle that facilitates prosperity in individuals, firms, regions, and nations. Consequently, IT-based organisations have them become strategic in the digital transformation and digital economy agenda of government and industries all over the world. It has become a widely-recognized fact that entrepreneurs and information technology have become the backbone of the world economy.

However, old and new tech companies must brace for the technological needs of the nation. They must continue to innovate and adopt modern business strategies in order to remain relevant in this 21st century. Information technology businesses must continue to be re-invigorated, repositioned and refocused for effective delivery of the emerging needs of the nation.

At this forum, the performances of IT companies in Nigeria will be analysed. The problems mitigating the rapid growth of IT industries will be unraveled and discussed. The needed impetus for the strategic repositioning of IT companies in Nigeria will be enumerated and discussed. The forum is expected to provide the essential technical and entrepreneurship skills needed by industry managers so as to remain on top. The overall aim of the forum is to ensure that all Information Technology companies in Nigeria remain reliable and successful.

Nigeria Computer Society (NCS), the umbrella body for all IT practitioners, stakeholders and interest groups in Nigeria, has a core mandate of developing and promoting IT in Nigeria. NCS remains committed promoting rapid national growth by providing necessary technical and professional supports to technology providers.

The Society will continue to support and promote technological development and Information Technology business for sustainable

FOCUS TOPICS:
- Creativity and entrepreneurship inInformation Technology
- Running information technology business smartly
- Promoting Tech startups in Nigeria
- Artificial Intelligence and Blockchain Technology for Smart Business Management
- Etc.

FORUM STRUCTURE:
- Invited talk
- Technical discussion
- Syndicate group
- Discussion / Communique / Implementation Strategies

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:
- IT Entrepreneurs
- Chief Executive of technological firms
- Startups and Young innovators
- Relevant government officials
- Regulatory bodies in IT
- IT Professionals
- Academia
- Students
- Technopreneurs
- Any individual interested in IT business

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The Grade of Fellow is the highest of the Profession and it is granted only to a Member who can prove his/her professional activities, justify his/her acceptance as an authority in his/her particular field of computing; has made significant contribution to the growth of the Society; and has in addition fulfilled the following requirements (A or B):

Requirements - A:

i) Be at least thirty years of age and has not less than ten years relevant professional working experience, at least five of which must have been in position of senior management responsibility.

ii) Has professional activities and achievements justified and accepted as an authority in the profession.

iii) Be considered by the Society to be fit and proper person to be so recognized.

vi) Holds a certificate of an examination or examinations recognized by the society for the membership grade.

v) Has his/her application sponsored by two Fellows in writing and in such manner as the Society may, from time to time prescribe.

vi) Applicant for Fellowship grade must have been a Member for at least 10 (ten) years, of which at least 2 (two) years out of 3(three) years (preceding the date of application), of regular attendance/participation in the activities of the Society can be verified.

vii) Must have been registered by CPN for at least 3 years

Requirements - B:

I. First degree(HND or B.Sc.) in Computer Science/Information Technology or any related discipline;

Or

Computer Professional Examination (CPE Stage II)

ii. Practicing IT for a minimum of 20 years

iii. Must have registered with NCS and CPN or concurrently registering with the Fellowship application.

iv. Must pay special admission fee to be determined by the Council.

v. Must also fulfil ii, iii, v in requirement A above

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