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## HEADLINES

# NCS CALLS FOR AUTOMATION OF ELECTORAL PROCESSES IN 2023 ELECTION

**F**ollowing the irregularities in the selection of party delegates and the manner in which the delegates voted in the primary elections across all political parties, the Nigeria Computer Society (NCS), the umbrella body for all Information Technology (IT) practitioners in Nigeria, has called for the automation of electoral processes in the forthcoming 2023 general election.

President of NCS, Prof. Adesina Sodiya, who made the call during an interview, said automation of electoral processes would help Nigeria to select credible leaders in all elections and address her insecurity challenges.

According to Sodiya, "As a body of Computer

Professionals, we are not pleased with what is going on in our electoral processes, especially the manner in which party delegates were selected and the manner in which they voted in the primary elections. All we are seeing across board are primaries fraught with irregularities, where state governors have become so powerful to influence the selection of their party delegates and the manner in which the delegates cast their votes. If you compare the Nigerian electoral system with that of developed counties, you will see that Nigeria is still far behind in election processes because technology is not driving the process."

Sodiya further said: "The process for selecting party delegates in all the political parties has been parochial and hinged on money. It is high time Nigeria moves away from the parochial method of selecting delegates and from the voting pattern of the delegates, to an automated system of selection and voting of delegates that is driven by technology.

If we continue to neglect technology in driving our electoral processes, we will not be able to produce credible leaders from the various political party structures."

Citing the population of Nigeria that is over 200 million people, Sodiya said over 100 million Nigerians have attained the voting age of 18 years, which means that if the process of producing credible candidates at primary elections is faulty, it will also affect the votes of the eligible 100 million adult Nigerians who will vote at the general election.

"We must adopt technology to automate all our electoral processes , which includes the

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use of electronic voting (e-voting) and electronic transmission of election results to to a single portal. Technology should be applied from the selection of party delegates up to the voting of party delegates and the technology should be applied in the general election, where over 100 million Nigerians are expected to vote," Sodiya said, adding that Nigeria needs automation process in determining credible leaders that will address the division and insecurity among us. With automation of electoral process, people can vote from the comfort of their houses, using their mobile phones.

"The Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB) is able to conduct JAMB exams using Computer Based Centres (CBS) and exam scores are transmitted electronically from the CBS centres to a portal without human interface and this has brought a lot of credibility in JAMB results. If JAMB can automate exam processes, The Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) should be able to adopt technology to automate electoral processes in the country,' Sodiya said.

NCS Executive Secretary, Mr. Iyola Ayola, said: "Nigerian government must adopt technology in all electoral processes, especially in this era of digital transformation that is sweeping across the globe. Automaton of electoral processes is the way to go and I strongly advise INEC to make it mandatory for political parties to deploy IT in their internal structures, especially in the selection of party delegates and in the manner in which they vote. A situation where governors and politicians hijack and induce party delegates, should be discouraged."

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# NIGERIA COMPUTER SOCIETY CONGRATULATES NITDA ON NATIONAL PRODUCTIVITY AWARD

In felicitation of the National Productivity Order of Merit Award conferred by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria General Muhammadu Buhari on the National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA), the Nigeria Computer Society (NCS) has congratulated the Agency for its outstanding performance so far and deliberated on key areas of collaboration.

Kashifu Inuwa, the Director General of NITDA, while receiving delegates from the society led by Professor Adesina Sodiya, the National President, at the Agency's Headquarters in Abuja said that the Agency is willing to collaborate more with the society.

Asserting the unwavering commitment of NITDA to collaborate in the implementation of the National Digital Economy Policy and Strategy (NDEPS) through the Agency's Strategic Roadmap and Action Plan (SRAP 2021-2024), the DG said "we have an ambitious target of making Nigeria a start-up nation and to train 1 million programmers between this year and next year and to achieve 95 percent digital literacy in Nigeria by the year 2030.

Inuwa said, "we believe we cannot succeed in isolation that is why we collaborate with organizations like yours".

The DG informed that he had earlier received delegates from the FCT chapter of the society who are ready to collaborate with NITDA in the areas of participating in NITDA Policy Framework Development, providing inputs in the NITDA Legal framework, and participating in other areas that may be required from time to time.

He applauded the initiatives brought

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to the fore by the Society and encouraged them to key into the activities of the Agency that are similar to its initiatives, while assuring them of the Agency's willingness to collaborate and render support where necessary.

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These initiatives are Techies Hangout Initiative (THI), an event (online, physical, TV, Radio) series where Information Technology (IT) experts discuss trending and prospective IT business and youth developments for the national economy, bringing to the table, research and actionable efforts being put together in resolving the issues.

It will also feature startup mentoring and collaborative development through sponsorship sourcing; the Computer-4-Schools Initiative (C4SI), an initiative aimed at sourcing and distributing computers and other IT tools to public secondary schools in the FCT and its environs to build their skills in technology in the early

stages; Directors and Head ICT (D/HICT) Conference, a two-day conference to engage Head of MDAs, Directors of ICT Departments/Units and private sector to discuss related issues around ICT development in public and private spheres.

Inuwa stated that the rulemaking process regulation of NITDA allows organizations to participate in the development and also come up with regulations, standards, guidelines, and frameworks for consideration by the Agency.

The NCS President appreciated the Agency for its support for the society and presented a "Proud Ambassador" Award to the DG for his outstanding leadership.

We are here as a society to continue to support what you are is doing in order to promote and develop IT in Nigeria. To congratulate the DG on the National Productivity Award bestowed on the Agency. To invite the DG to the NCS building and to inspect what NITDA has been supporting. To invite DG to their conference.

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# MINISTER PANTAMI RECEIVES NCS TEAM

The Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, Prof. Isa Ali Ibrahim ( Pantami) received in audience, a delegation from the Nigeria Computer Society (NCS), led by the President, Prof Adesina S. Sodiya on a working visit.

The NCS team was at the Communications and Digital Economy Complex, Abuja to discuss issues related to the society and the Digital Economy Sector.

The society also officially presented a congratulatory letter to Minister Pantami on his emergence as the Chairman Designate, World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS).

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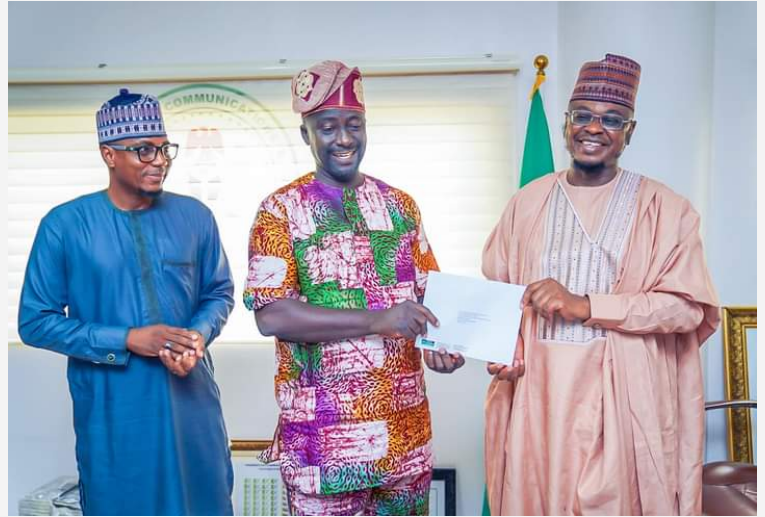
# THE NCS TEAM VISITS THE DEFENCE HEADQUARTERS



The NCS team was at the Defence Headquarters for an advocacy visit to the Chief Of Defence Staff ( Gen. Lucky Leo Irabor) The team made a comprehensive presentation to the representative of the CDS (AVM JOLASINMI, Chief of Defence Policy and Strategy the 2nd in command to the CDS, Maj Gen Njoku, Chief Of Defence Communications ,Maj. Gen. Yekini, Chief of Defence Training and Operations) on NCS technological ability to partner and collaborate with them in tackling the



insecurity ravaging the Nation. The Team also invited the Chief to her up coming Cybersecurity workshop and the International Conference.

The team led by the president Prof. Adesina Sodiya, who presented the chief with a proud associate award and Some NCS Souvenirs Simily, the Chief gave the President a complimentary plaque from the office of the Chief Of Defence Staff.

# SPEECH OF PROF ADESINA SIMON SODIYA AT THE INDUCTION CEREMONY FOR THE NEWLY ADMITTED MEMBERS OF THE PROFESSION HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18TH MAY, 2022 AT NAF CONFERENCE CENTRE, KADO, ABUJA

The President and Chairman of Council

Vice-President and Vice-Chairman of Council

Deputy President of the Nigerian Computer Society

Past Presidents and Chairmen of Council here present

Members of Council here present

Distinguished members of the computing profession

The new Inductees

Ladies and Gentlemen

It is with great joy that I address this gathering of distinguished professionals on the occasion of the induction of new members into the Information Technology (IT) profession. I will like to seize this opportunity to congratulate you for the rare honour of becoming members of the Information Technology profession. Your membership of the Information Technology (IT) profession has conferred on you the status of a registered Information Technology practitioner because of the legitimacy of your professional practice.
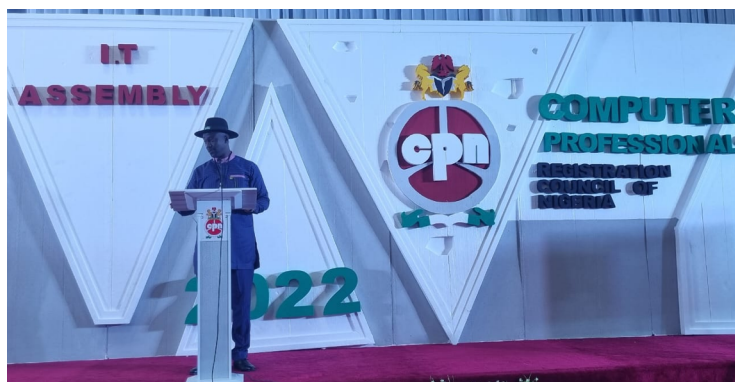
Act 49 of 1993 which established CPN, makes it mandatory for all persons and organizations seeking to engage, or engaged in the sale and/or use of computing facilities, and the provision of professional services in computing or related computational machinery in Nigeria to be registered by the Council and licensed to carry out such activities. It is illegal to engage in computing and professional practice without satisfying the above condition - registration with CPN.

Professional practice in Information Technology has its own challenges; therefore, I will implore all of you to endeavour to update your knowledge on a regular basis so that you will be intellectually and professionally relevant. Proper attendance of CPN and Nigeria Computer Society events in addition to other professional developments programmes will assist you immensely in keeping you abreast

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of new developments in the profession.

Additionally, we are conscious of the impact of the use of computational machinery and techniques related thereto on the public, employers, clients and the professionals; this is what informed the introduction of the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct. The document details the standards of conduct that is expected from professionals in the IT industry as it exists in other professions. You have all appended your signature to the Letter of Commitment that goes with the document. What this means is that high standard of good and ethical conduct that will portray you as good ambassadors of the profession is what is expected from you. Additionally, the document will assist the profession in protecting the IT investment made by individuals and corporate organizations especially the big corporations and multinationals who have made extensive investment in IT as the driving force of their operations.

As provided in the Act that established the Council, the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct is enforceable in that continued membership of the profession depends on strict adherence to it, while not being member of the profession implies forbiddance from practicing the profession in the country. Therefore, endeavor to be good ambassadors of this profession and thread the path of honour and integrity at all times.

I wish to state here that the Council has put in place, a mechanism for checkmating erring and recalcitrant members that go against the Code of Ethics. Council has a disciplinary committee in place which tries reported cases of unethical conduct by members. By the provisions of section 15 sub - section (7) of the CPN Act, the decision of the Disciplinary Committee is binding if it is not appealed at the Federal High Court within 28 days of the service of the direction on such persons. The implication of this is that any decision taken by the committee will be enforced if it is not appealed within the stipulated period.

On behalf of the Council, I welcome you all to this dynamic profession and wish you a pleasant and fruitful professional practice.

Thank you for your patience and attention.

GOD bless you all.

**Prof Adesina Simon Sodiya**

*Chairman, Registration, Regulation and Control Committee*

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# NCS URGES ALL MDAS TO ESTABLISH AN IT DEPARTMENT

The Nigeria Computer Society (NCS), the umbrella organization for all information technology (IT) professionals in Nigeria, has urged for the creation of IT departments in federal, state, and local government Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs).

During a conversation with news journalists in Lagos, Professor Adesina Sodiya, President of NCS, emphasized the importance of the government creating an IT department in all MDAs.

In today's digital world, where knowledge-based capabilities in IT are driving development, he said the creation of an IT Department will assist government drive IT development much more quickly.

"Towards the close of 2019, the federal government, through the Head of Service, announced a policy requiring all MDAs to begin the process of digitizing their operations and processes," according to NCS President.

"NCS is interested in seeing that all government operations are automated, with digitalisation being the initial step in that process." There is no way to automate physical files and operations without first digitizing them. "As an advocacy organization, NCS will continue to seek collaboration with the government on digital skills and the digitalisation of government services and processes," Sodiya stated.

He did say, however, that in order to accomplish automation in government circles, all MDAs should establish a Department of Information Technology to advance digitisation of government services and processes.

"Today, not all government MDAs have an IT Department. Most federal ministries lack an IT department, which is abnormal because governments cannot talk about automating MDA services to drive digital transformation in government without first establishing IT departments. It will be difficult for the administration to meet its mandate on digital transformation in the civil service if we do not have a distinct Department of IT," Sodiya remarked.

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# NCS ATTENDED THE WORLD CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION DAY CELEBRATION

The Second Edition of the World Creativity and Innovation Day Celebration with the theme 'Creativity And Innovation: Powering Collaboration for a Sustainable Digital Economy' targeted at encouraging creativity and innovation amongst the youths to drive a sustainable digital economy was hosted by NCAIR, the Office for Nigerian



Digital Innovation (ONDI) and subsidiary offices of the National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA), at the National Center for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics (NCAIR), Wuse District, Abuja on the 21st April, 2022, with participants drawn from both far and near amongst the federal MDAs and the young innovators across the country.

In his goodwill message, Mr. Rex Abitogun, who represented the President of Nigeria Computer Society, Professor Adesina S. Sodiya congratulated the Center for the initiative, stressing that for a sustainable digital economy, Artificial Intelligence should be fully adopted.

Nigeria Computer Society, on its part, has continuously demonstrated its commitment to ensuring that AI is fully adopted in Nigeria's Technology space with reference to the first-ever NCS Artificial Intelligence Summit recently held at Lafia, Nasarawa State. Mr. Abitogun used the opportunity to invite all participants to the forthcoming NCS International Conference with the theme 'Smart, Secure & Sustainable Nation' slated for August, 2nd - 4th, 2022 in

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Abeokuta, Ogun State.

The Celebration featured amongst others, 'Innovation Pitch Competition'. Five Startups; namely -Fascinate Technologies, Green AI, FuelIntellisense, Bridgeinspace, and XCMED pitched their solutions. Fascinate Technologies solution - on telemedicine, Green AI - on agriculture, Fuelintellisense - on transport, Bridgeinspace - on smart waste bin and XCMED - on a smart cane for the visually impaired.

A five-man panel of Judges was on the ground to assess these start-ups and the result came out as follows:

Green AI- first position (Two Million Naira) prize; Fuelintellisense – second position (One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Naira) Prize; Bridgeinspace - third, position (One million naira); XCMED and Fascinate Technology – fourth and fifth positions (five hundred naira) respectively.

In attendance among others were:

- Honourable Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, Prof. Isah Ali Ibrahim Pantami FNCS
- National Director, NCAIR, Engr. Yau I. Garba
- Director-General, National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA), Mallam Kashifu Inuwa
- Reps from Abuja Enterprise Agency
- Reps from University of Lagos
- Reps from Bureau of Public Procurement
- Chairman Conferences Committee-NCS, Mr. Ayodeji Rex Abitogun FNCS
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| 2 | NCS-Pantami Hackathon for Digital Economy | Abuja | February 23rd & 24th, 2022 |
| 3 | Artificial Intelligence (AI) Summit | Nasarawa State | March 23rd – 25th, 2022 |
| 4 | CISCO/ORACLE Training | Lagos | April 5th to 7th & April 18th to 20th, 2022 |
| 5 | Research & Development Workshop | Enugu | May 2nd to 4th, 2022 |
| 6 | Information Technology Professionals' Assembly (Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria) | Abuja | May 18th - 19th, 2022 |
| 7 | Cyber Security Forum & Workshop | Abuja | June 8th – 10th, 2022 |
| 8 | Information Technology Business Forum | Virtual | June 28th, 2022 |
| 9 | Annual International Conference | Abeokuta, Ogun State | August 2nd – 4th, 2022 |
| 10 | Grand Finale of the National IT Competition for Tertiary and Secondary Schools | Abeokuta, Ogun State | August 3rd – 4th, 2022 |
| 11 | E-Health Forum and Workshop | Lagos State | September 12th to 14th, 2022 |
| 12 | Workshop: Business Perspectives to Data Sciences and Artificial Intelligence | Kaduna State | October 4th – 9th, 2021 |
| 13 | National Information Technology Merit Awards (NITMA) & Fellowship Conferment | Lagos State | November 17th, 2022 |
| 14 | National Information Technology Exhibition (NITEX) and Innovation Show | Lagos State | December 6th – 8th, 2022 |

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- Smart Security and Surveillance System
- Software Systems and Architectures
- Applications and Tools
- Big Data Analytics and Applications
- Artificial Intelligence and Applications
- Computer Networks, Mobility and Pervasive Systems

**2. Secure Nation - The focus here will be on the deployment of ICT solutions that handle issues relating to ssyetm security**

- Critical National Infrastructure
- Intelligent and Decision Support Systems
- Cyber Security
- Call Tracking & Counter-Terrorism
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- IT Governance and Ethics (Suggestion)
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- Innovative Skills, Youth Innovation and Sustainable Productivity
- ICT Regulation
- Media, Applied Technology, and Communication
- Social Computing/Interactions

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Final Manuscript & Registration - June 15, 2022

Conference Date        - August 02-04, 2022

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b.   Paying attention to national and international information on COVID-19

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## Preamble

The emergence of connected cities and data-driven nations is making planning and decision-making easier at the global level. Different studies have ranked Africa low in adopting technology to build a safe, secure, and sustainable economy. At the heart of the technology driving innovation is data and citizens engagement. In transforming our nation to meet future demand, we must use technology to create a more sustainable and liveable present and secure future for our citizens. We must change our approach and challenge the status quo. Our quest for innovation leveraging research and development must increase. We must develop effective strategies to achieve a **Smart, Secure, and Sustainable Nation**.

The government, the citizens, and the business environment must invest in relevant technologies to compete in the global space. This approach requires the right team with new mindsets and skills. The 2022 international conference on " Smart, Secure, and Sustainable Nation (S3N'22)" will bring together policymakers within the government, business leaders, members of academia, professionals, and practitioners to deliberate on broad social, economic, and technology trends relevant to the development and sustainability of our nation.

## Scope and Topics

We, therefore, welcome authors and speakers to be part of the S3N'22 - The 2022 International Conference on **Smart, Secure and Sustainable Nation**, scheduled to hold from the 2nd to 4th of August 2022 at the June 12 Cultural Centre, Kuto, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria. Authors can now submit articles that present research results, innovative projects, critical literature reviews, and industrial experiences that describe the significant strategy in developing the next-generation digital economy relating to the theme and sub-themes.

## Sub Themes

The thematic areas for this conference fall into three main areas: **Smart, Secure, and Sustainable Nation**. Authors are encouraged to align their submissions accordingly.

**1. Smart Nation**- Focus will be on design, regulatory, security, and auditing issues.
Key thematic areas are;
- Intelligent Cities- Design and Regulatory Framework
- e-Governance And Policy Framework
- e-Health and Smart Healthcare
- Precision and Intelligence Agriculture
- Regulation and Digital Consumer Privacy
- Smart Security and Surveillance System
- Software Systems and Architectures
- Applications and Tools
- Big Data Analytics and Applications
- Artificial Intelligence and Applications
- Computer Networks, Mobility and Pervasive Systems

**2. Secure Nation** - The focus here will be on the deployment of ICT solutions that handle issues relating to system security;
- Critical National Infrastructure
- Intelligent and Decision Support Systems
- Cyber Security
- Call Tracking & Counter-Terrorism
- Computer Forensics & Information Auditing
- IT Governance and Ethics (Suggestion)
- Virus/Antivirus
- 5G Technology and industrial revolution

**3. Sustainable Nation** - the focus here is on digital inclusiveness;
- Citizen Engagement: Security, Privacy, and Trust
- Digital Economy and Technopreneur
- ICT in Education- The Future of Learning
- Future of Work: Ergonomics and Smart Culture
- Innovative Skills, Youth Innovation and Sustainable Productivity
- ICT Regulation
- Media, Applied Technology, and Communication
- Social Computing/Interactions

## Instructions to Authors:

- Authors are to submit full papers in English on original work intended for presentation at the conference. Only full papers submitted through *easychair* will be considered. Please use the link https://easychair.org/cfp/S3N2022 to submit your paper.

- Paper submission must include full details of authors (names, addresses, and e-mails) and their affiliations.

- All Papers should not be more than 4,000 words, single-spaced in Times New Roman with 12 point font size using the American Psychological Association (APA) referencing style 7th Edition

- Where there are multiple authors, at least one author must pre-register to qualify for inclusion of the paper in conference proceedings.

- Selected papers may be considered for publication in International Journals, including the Journal of Computer Science and Its Applications; and the International Journal of Information Security, Privacy and Digital forensics published biannually by Nigeria Computer Society.

- All approved papers for presentation will be in NCS supported PowerPoint (.ppt) presentation format which will be communicated to Authors of approved papers.

- All submitted papers will be peer-reviewed by qualified reviewers. The authors are requested to submit their original and unpublished work in full not later than March 31, 2022

- Authors are advised to employ the IMRaD (Introduction, Methodology, Results and Discussion) format for their papers.

- Authors are also advised to check the plagiarism status of their papers before submission. Note that the maximum acceptable similarity index for the papers in this Conference is 15%.

All submitted papers must be previously unpublished and may not be considered for review or publication somewhere else during the period at which such articles are undergoing NCS review.

*Selected papers will be published in IFIP Advances in Information and Communication Technology, indexed by SCOPUS, WoS, Google Scholar, SCImago, among others, and will be available in the SpringerLink Digital Library.*

## Participation Fee

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|---|---|---|---|
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| Virtual Participants | ₦ 40,000 | ₦ 40,000 | - |
| Authors | ₦ 70,000 | ₦ 75,000 | - |
| International Authors | $200 | $250 | - |

## Important Dates

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| Full Paper Submission Deadline | ~~March 31, 2022~~ April 30, 2022 |
| Notification of Acceptance | ~~April 30, 2022~~ May 30, 2022 |
| Final Manuscript & Registration | June 15, 2022 |
| Conference Date | August 02-04, 2022 |

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### Requirements – (A):

1. 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.

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

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

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

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7. Must have been registered by CPN for at least 3 years

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1. First degree (HND or B.Sc.) in Computer Science/ Information Technology/any related discipline OR Computer Professional Examination (CPE Stage II)

2. Practicing IT for a minimum of 20 years

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

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

5. Must also fulfil (2), (3), (4), (5) in Requirements – (A) above

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## FORUM AND WORKSHOP 2.0

📅 June 8th-10th, 2022    📍 National Open University of Nigeria, Abuja    🕘 9am-5pm Daily

## Forum Talking Points:
- ✅ Financial Frauds
- ✅ Cyber Attacks
- ✅ Social Media Hacking
- ✅ Cybersecurity Education
- ✅ Formulating the Nation's Cybersecurity Strategies
- ✅ Cybersecurity Regulations

## Workshop Topics:
- ✅ Modern Technologies for National Security
- ✅ Cyber Attacks Management Systems
- ✅ Intelligent Gathering and Surveillance
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- ✅ Proactive Cybersecurity Strategies
- ✅ e-Platforms Security
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- ✅ Law Enforcement Agencies

## Participation Fees:
Forum (Day 1 Only) : FREE

Workshop (Days 1, 2 & 3):
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**2022 NCS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY WHIZKIDS COMPETITION**

# Introduction:

The National IT Whizkids Competition is to stimulate the interest and passion of young minds in Information Technology. The competition is organized by Nigeria Computer Society and other partners for Secondary school students. Entrants are expected to participate in the competition which is fully on IT related subject matter.

# Eligibility:

The Competition is open to all SS 1 and SS 2 students in any secondary school (Private and Public) in Nigeria. The entry application must be filled and submitted online via Nigeria Computer Society website www.ncs.org.ng

# Quiz Coverage:

Computer Studies Curriculum as approved by the Federal Government of Nigeria and emerging trend in technology.

# Rules and Important Dates:

a. To enter, interested applicants must currently be enrolled in any secondary school across the Nation.

b. Each school should register two (2) candidates to represent the school in the competition with a non-refundable fee of N2,000.

c. Entry applicants must fill the competition application form on NCS Website

d. Application Portal Opens- 10th January, 2022 and closes, 10th of April, 2022.

e. Quiz at State level will be held from May 2nd – 4th, 2022.

f. Quiz at Zonal level will be held from June 13th - 15, 2022.

g. Quiz at National level will be held from July 5th, 2022 and the results will be announced that same day.

h. Peradventures there is a tie in the scores; another quiz will be fixed to determine the winners.

i. Winners will be officially recognized and awarded during the NCS Annual Conference.

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