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From the Editor's Desk

Suleiman Zailani, Editor-in-Chief

This edition of PTI News is unique in the sense that it comes at a time when the Institute has just celebrated its fiftieth anniversary of its establishment. Thus, the news magazine is replete with graphic renditions of an array of memorable activities that took place to rejoice over the golden jubilee of the foremost training institution in the oil and gas sector of the Nigerian economy.

A rich tapestry of stories derived from the impresive activities undertaken to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary are interspersed within this edition of PTI News. From the Industry and award ceremony held at the Petroleum Technology Development Fund which was graced by doyens of industry and government to the Gala night organised in Warri, a befitting graduation ceremony and a highly enlightening pre-graduation lecture delivered by Mr. C. Y. Kachikwu; the pioneer Deputy Director and Head Public Affairs of PTI.

This edition has introduced a special supplementary feature showcasing the outstanding achievements of the Institute from inception to date, it's profound vision and outlook for the future as it confronts the challenges of delivering hands on training solution to the contemporary training requirements to prevalent challenges in oil and gas industry. In this special feature; a compendium of glowing tributes is made by the Institute's alumni extolling PTI's trail blazing strides in the course of 50 years of its existence.

The ministerial Committee on PTI repositioning that visited the Institute to inspect its facilities and proffer recommendations to make PTI at par with other similar Institutions all over the world in terms of efficient and effective service delivery coupled with similar visit by African Petroleum Producers Organisation (APPO) to assess the feasibility of establishing PTI as a regional centre of excellence to develop the requisite human capital to harness Africa's crude oil potential are events adequately captured in this edition of PTI news.

Strategic partnerships and training deliverables occasioned by the successful training of Dive Medic Technicians (DMT)Training in collaboration with JFD and SNEPCO through NCDMB mediation, training of NLNG technicians and fire academy establishment and training programs all reflect the giant strides the Institute is taking to remain relevant to the oil and gas industry in Nigeria, Africa and the world in general.

Other stories that may regale your curiosity on PTI entail the appointment of a new Vice Principal and Registrar of the Institute, recruitment and orientation of new staff of the Institute, the matriculation of new students, staff training on subsea engineering, the PTI Cooperative AGM, Chief Executive's interview, articles etc etc.

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PTI Celebrates 50yrs of Unprecedented Achievements

...as NNPC, stakeholders consider local technology to enhance training, address energy transition challenges

Suleiman Zailani, Head, Public Affairs

A cross of Stakeholders during the PTI 50th Anniversary

Stakeholders in the Oil and Gas sector recently commended the Management of the foremost oil and gas institution in Sub-Sahara Africa; the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), over what they described as 50 years of unprecedented achievements in developing competent indigenous manpower for the oil and gas and energy sector.

The encomium poured while the prestigious Institute marked its 50th anniversary which stakeholders adjudged as worth celebrating in view of its remarkable accomplishments.

Speaking during the PTI's 50th anniversary conference/ award ceremony held at PTDF Towers Abuja recently, the then Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF), Mr Boss Mustapha reiterated that the vision of the founding fathers of the school was to address the inadequacies of indigenous personnel required to man the petroleum industry adding that the Institute has so far achieved these and more.

He also urged the Institute to drive the Federal Government's agenda of global movement towards cleaner sources of energy as well as the government's roadmap to end gas flaring.

Furthermore, the former SGF called on the Institute's Management to strengthen its relationship with sister agencies and seek inter-agency collaboration to deliver on its mandate which will enhance the local content aspiration of the country.

Boss Mustapha who spoke passionately on the need to support the Institute achieve its mandate, appealed to the players in the oil and gas industry to extend patronage to the Institute's training programmes because of the relevant role it plays as the premier training Institute in this all-important energy sector of the Nigerian economy.

According to him, "This was because the industry was largely dominated by expatriates who were at the forefront of the exploration and exploitation of Nigeria's crude oil potential and it is expected that the PTI would contribute immensely towards the local content goals of the Federal Government".

He noted that the Institute has so far graduated over 50,000 students, many of whom were absorbed as employees in the sector and are now playing important roles in the industry stressing that it was a period for stocktaking for the Institute with a view to making projections for the future.

Also, the then Minister of State, Petroleum Resources, Chief Timipre Sylva, who was represented by the Permanent Secretary in the ministry, Mr. Gabriel Aduda, said the training school has succeeded in contributing to the country's oil and gas sector, urging it to be proactive in its research and development efforts since the industry is dynamic.

The former Minister described the last 50 years of the life of the Institute as glorious years of exceptional delivery of training, innovation and technological development, stressing that all hands must be on desk to ensure that the Institute remains the Centre of Excellence in Africa sub-Sahara.

In his remarks, the Group Chief Executive Officer, NNPC, Mele Kyari, urged PTI to take cognisance of the massive changes taking place in the industry and strive to accommodate the transition in its bid to deliver its training services consistent with dynamics of the industry.

According to him, "The energy industry is changing because companies and consumers are altering their behaviour and their decisions. Owners of businesses, particularly in the energy sector are changing in face of global energy transition".

"I also urge the Institute to re-assess its relationship with the major players of the oil and gas sector with the aim of meeting their expectations," he said.

He commended the Institute for attaining 50 years of delivering quality training in the oil and gas industry in Nigeria and in sub-Sahara African continent.

"I congratulate PTI for preserving and maintaining the relevance of the oil and gas industry for 50 years and for organising this conference and award ceremo-

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PTI @ 50: We Are Not Relenting On Our Resolve to Become Hub of Oil and Gas Training in Africa - Adimula

...as PTI holds 50th anniversary dinner

By Onyinyechi Udemezue

The Principal and Chief Executive of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), Dr Henry Adimula has reiterated the resolve of his management team towards repositioning the Institute to become the hub of training in the oil and gas industry in Africa.

Adimula who disclosed this during the 50th Gala and Award ceremony of the Institute held in Effurun said that the foremost institution had done very well in line with its mandates of developing technical manpower for the Nigeria oil and gas industry.

The excited Chief Executive stated that in the next 50 years, the PTI would be positioned to be the hub of training in the oil and gas industry not only in Nigeria but in the entire African continent.

According to him, "We want to see a PTI that is a one-stop shop for all training in the oil and gas industry and we are working very hard to achieve that. As far as our mandate is concerned, PTI has done very well. We have people holding very significant positions in the Nigerian oil and gas industry".

Speaking further, Adimula said, "To date, we are still producing people working in the oil and gas industry and energy industry. We believe that we will continue to be relevant to the energy industry in Nigeria".

Dr. Adimula said despite the financial challenges which is not peculiar to the Institute, PTI has been able to maximise the little it had to continue to place the Institute on the path of growth.

Speaking on the various categories of awards for stakeholders, captains of industry and staff of the Institute, the Chief Executive said PTI would continue to recognise those that have played significant roles in the progress of the Institute adding that the gesture would encourage other people to put in their best into the service of the Institute.

Dr. Henry Adimula, PTI PCE

In his words, "In the past 50 years of PTI, a lot of people have played significant roles to the progress of the institute. So, we are using this occasion to honour such men and women.

"PTI is a place that rewards hard work and innovation. This award will stimulate other people to also play their part to the Institute and we will continue to recognise such people," he said.

Forty-one individuals who have distinguished themselves in the various fields of human endeavour were honoured with various categories of awards.

Among the recipients were: Chief Frank Kokori, Hon. Efe Afe, and members representing Sapele/Okpe/Uvwie Federal Constituency at the National Assembly among others.

Others in attendance were: Mr Festus Agas who represented the then Delta State governor, Sen. (Dr.) Ifeanyi Okowa, Royal fathers, and players in the oil and gas industry among others.

Cutting the Anniversary cake during the Gala night (7524)

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PTI Celebrates 50yrs of Unprecedented Achievements

ny to celebrate the institute. The vision of the founding fathers of PTI was to address the inadequacy of the indigenous requirements to man and operate an efficient petroleum industry.

"This is not just in way they conduct business. Even in respect of technological changes, no one can tell you with certainty what will happen in the next 10 years. There's rapid change in the business environment and rapid change in choices," he explained.

Mr. Mele Kyari also called for more funding for PTI, saying "For the Institute to play the role expected of it in the future, a lot of financing is required. He therefore urged operators to provide more funding support for the Institute.

On his part, Country Chair, Shell Companies in Nigeria, Mr. Osagie Okunbor noted that the industry has had to rely a lot on the manpower trained at the PTI for the growth of the sector.

He however pointed out that while oil and gas will continue to form a major part of the global energy mix in the next few decades, the ratio would gradually fall as the world focuses on other energy sources.

Osagie while commending the Institute for filling the gap of manpower requirement in the oil and gas industry in the last 50 years; he called on the Institute to be more innovative and proactive for the challenges occasioned by the global energy transition.

In his speech, Principal and Chief Executive, PTI, Dr. Henry Adimula disclosed that the Institute which was founded in 1972 has trained over 50,000 personnel for the industry.

According to him, "The technologiest churned out by the PTI had become useful by operators, with out-of-country training reducing considerably. For instance, the Institute was largely responsible for the training of the take-off staff for the Warri Refinery and Petrochemical Company (WRPC), Kaduna Refinery and Petrochemical Company (KRPC), and Eleme Petrochemical Company Limited (EPCL), now Indorama Petrochemical Company".

Adimula, maintained that Africa must not hasten to abandon fossil fuel, but should strive to deepen research and development of local technologies to maximise exploitation and benefits of oil and gas endowments.

He said the country needs to achieve some independence in the design and production of technology for the oil industry, as well as source for alternative and renewable energy sources and off grid solar contraptions in anticipation of the global energy transition. Thus, he underscored the need for the Institute to engage in intensive research and development effort to achieve the need for independence in terms of local technology for oil production and local content vision of the Federal Government.

The PTI Chief Executive noted that going into the future, the Institute hopes to be at the forefront of developing manpower for modular refineries that would help the country to end the importation of refined petroleum products.

"The PTI modular refinery when completed will present the industry with an outstanding world class training facility in the West African sub-region, with the compelling attraction for expertise training and know-how in refining and petrochemical operations", he stated.

He disclosed that the core function of the Institute includes training, research and consultancy services to the industry.

Dr. Adimula finally commended the effort and support of the Petroleum Technology Development Fund (PTDF) for infrastructure, facilities and human resources upgrade of the Institute.

He stressed that the vast array of the state-of-art facilities procured for the Institute during the upgrade exercise has positioned PTI to be the prime destination for oil and gas industry training in the whole of Sub-Saharan Africa.

Dr. Samuel E. Onoji

PTI Council Appoints Dr. Onoji Vice Principal

Onyinyechi Udemezue

The Governing Council of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) has approved the appointment of Engr. (Dr.) Samuel E. Onoji as the Institute's Vice Principal.

In a statement signed by Mr. Clement O. Siakpere, the immediate past Registrar and Secretary to the Institute's Council which read in part: "I am pleased to inform you that the Institute's Governing Council at its 149th Council (Emergency) meeting held on 13th April, 2023, approved your appointment as the Vice Principal of the Institute".

The statement concludes that: "The appointment is with effect from 13th April 2023.

Before his appointment, Dr. Samuel Onoji was the Director of Engineering (DOE) and has served the Institute in different capacities.

APPO VISIT: PTI Has All It Takes To Be A Regional Training Hub For Africa...PTI Boss

Suleiman Zailani,
Head, Public Affairs

The Principal and Chief Executive of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), Dr. Henry Adimula, has said that the PTI has the requirement and expertise to be considered a regional Centre of Excellence in Africa adding that the Institute's track record and contribution in the oil and gas sector are there for everyone to see.

Dr. Adimula who stated this while he received in audience a powerful delegation of African Petroleum Producers' Organization (APPO) team led by Dr. Taher Najah, Director of Research, reiterated that the Institute has most of the best facilities in Africa to host APPO's regional training, innovation and research hub, adding that the PTI has a rich history of training in the petroleum industry and has trained major players in the oil industry.

The APPO team was at the Institute to assess its capabilities and capacity to host such regional petroleum research and innovation hub in Africa and may emerge as the Regional Centre of Excellence for training for oil and gas industry in Africa.

According to Dr. Adimula, the intention of APPO to establish Regional Centre of Excellence is to develop capacity of Africans in the oil and gas sector. The PTI Chief Executive who is optimistic that PTI would be selected as a regional Centre of Excellence said, "The APPO team are visiting the institution to assess facilities they will use as Regional Centre of Excellence for training, and PTI based on our track record and the history of our past achievement we are confident that the Institute would be considered.

Adimula stated that the visit by the APPO team was an opportunity for the Institute to showcase its experience and capacities, citing the rich history of the Institute's involvement in training in the oil and gas sector in Nigeria.

He further added that if we are chosen, the advantages accompanying the Institute's selection are enormous because it will make this place an International Centre where people from all over African continent and other parts of the world would come to receive their training. We have trained major players in the oil industry and the Institute is in a prime position to be considered a regional hub by APPO.

Speaking on the visit, the APPO team leader, Dr. Taher Najah, Director, Research Division of APPO expressed satisfaction with the achievements of the Institute. Dr. Najah highlighted that their mission to the Institute was to examine the capacity and capability of the Institute with a view to making it a Regional Centre.

In his words, "We are here

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Mr. Isaac Fregene

Isaac Fregene becomes PTI Registrar

Onyinyechi Udemezue

Following the retirement of Mr. Clement O. Siakpere, the immediate past Registrar of the Institute, Mr. Isaac Fregene has emerged the new Registrar.

Before his emergence as the Registrar of the Institute, Mr. Isaac Fregene was the Director, Human Resource Development (HRD).

Fregene who is an astute administrator joined the services of the Institute in 1992 as Administrative Officer II and rose through the ranks.

He has served the Institute in different capacities and belonged to several professional bodies such as Fellow, Institute of Professional Managers and Administrators (FIPMA), Fellow, Charted Institute of Human Resource Management (FCIHRM); Fellow, International Management Consultant Board (FIMCB), Accredited Management Consultant (AMC) and Associate Member, Nigeria Institute of Management (ANIM) among others.

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A cross section of APPO visitation team and PTI Management at the Demonstration Rig

to determine the capacity and capability as we want to establish Regional Centre of Excellence for training. We have many options of how we are going about establishing these centres. First of all, the general scope is collaboration amongst our members on training. This is the whole idea, so we are looking at what capacity exist and how they can train our people."

APPO is the association of all African Countries with crude oil potential who are producers and focused on collaboration to better harness the continent natural resources.

APPO was created in 1987 to serve as a platform for cooperation and harmonisation of efforts, collaboration, sharing of knowledge and skills among oil producing countries in Africa. The headquarters of the organisation is in Brazzaville, the Congo.

Other team members led by Dr. Najah were Mrs. Temilola George, Head of Hydrocarbon Studies/ Data Unit; Mr. Tchananti Tiattl, Head of Capacity Development, Mr. Serge Kohemun, Downstream Industry Analyst and Mr. Isa Muazu; APPO Consultant.

PTI, Greenville LNG Partner on Students Job Placement, Industrial Attachment

Onyinyechi Udemezue

The Management of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), and Greenville LNG have concluded plans on job placement for the Institute's best graduates in gas processing as well as Industrial Experience Attachment for both staff and students.

The Greenville LNG Management who disclosed this recently during a courtesy visit to the Institute stated that ten (10) PTI best graduates (six females and four male) with knowledge in gas processing would be given automatic employment.

Mr. Eric Evertiz, General Manager, Greenville LNG who led the team to the Institute revealed that the PTI would provide Greenville LNG with a pool of graduates for possible employment from the fields of Gas Processing Engineering Technology, Electrical and Electronics Engineering Technology (Instrumentation & Control) Mechanical Engineering Technology, and Industrial Safety Engineering Technology.

Responding to the Greenville LNG request, the PTI Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry Adimula, commended the company for approaching the Institute and assured them that their request would be given urgent attention.

Adimula; who guaranteed Greenville LNG that the Institute can provide any number of manpower needed in the oil, gas and energy sector reinstated that PTI will not relent in its avowed drive towards providing the country and beyond with the best skills to run the sector.

The PTI Chief Executive Officer also requested for collaboration with Greenville LNG in the areas of Staff exchange for the Institute's academic staff in field operations experience, establishment of a Greenville mini-LNG plant in PTI to deepen gas penetration with the prospect of establishing a gas conversion centre for vehicles in the Institute which will be mutually beneficial to both parties.

Dr. Adimula; while briefing the Greenville LNG team on the training programmes of the Institute, as well as its research efforts in the oil and gas industry, also stated that the PTI is open and ready to collaborate with organizations that share similar ideologies with the Institute.

THE BIRTH OF OUR DREAM

"The origination of the foremost indigenous research and training institute in the Nigeria's oil and gas industry."

Five decades ago, we envisioned that technology will be the new gold and a viable human capital base will become a necessity to move the economy forward. Our utmost desire was to develop a system that provides competent technological manpower in the oil and gas industry to aid the industrial revolution of our economy. We foresaw that in years to come, research, training and consultancy will become the relevant strategies for upscaling any economy and we jumped right into it.

The Nigerian oil and gas industry was dominated by foreigners, with little indigenous contribution. A cataclysmic change in the status quo occurred in 1972 under General Yakubu Gowon, when he established the Petroleum Training Institute with PTI Act: 1972, 37. The Institute soon grew into a titan in the oil and gas industry, training and creating a path for Nigerians to take up jobs in the industry. The Institute has since become known for its high standards and great value.

REALITY CHECK ONE, TWO...

"One of our greatest victories was the realization of our brainchild; Petroleum Training Institute"

The realization of our dream, the horning of our craft and the perfecting of our expertise has actualized:

- Over 50,000 trained specialists
- 150 specialized courses
- 50 years of expertise and value offering
- Indigenous dominance in the oil and gas industry

50 YEARS OF RELEVANCE LATER...

Our journey has been that of resilience and consistency. We are constantly tapping into the fast paced technological advancement and ensuring that we remain relevant to the industry. We have become a benchmark in providing training, consultancy and research for specialization in areas such as Drilling Technology, Mud Engineering, Safety Engineering and much more. The Petroleum Training Institute has strategically positioned and aligned itself with government and International Oil companies in the pursuit of a competitive, profitable and sustainable economy.

In the next phase of our journey, we are embarking on a drive to redefine the future of the petroleum industry in Nigeria through capitalization of the uses of our state-of-the-arts equipment and innovations which are second to none in the entire country. Some of our facilities include:

- **Demonstration rig and flow station**
- **Drilling simulators**
- **PVT Lab for reservoir fluid analysis**
- **Automated lathe machines**
- **Training compressors**
- **Thermal fluid lab**
- **Scanning electron microscope machine**
- **Impregnation machine**
- **Abem Terrametre**
- **Drilling system simulator 6000**
- **Spot welding machines**
- **X-Ray Welding Machines,**
- **Distribution Control System**
- **Scada system**

Our Vision:

To become the leading Oil and Gas Technological Institute in Africa.

Our Mission:

To provide competent technological manpower through quality training, research and consultancy for petroleum and allied industries. Our goal is to raise a caliber of human capital base that possesses the skills, competency and professionalism to provide Excellence in the industry.

PTI QUALITY POLICY

The petroleum Training Institute is in compliance with the requirements of ISO 9001 which is geared towards the provision of quality delivery and training of personnel to meet clients' requirements in conformity with global best practices.

Our Core areas are:

OUR SUCCESS STORY...

The Petroleum Training Institute has grown beyond the dreams of its founders. Over the years, through the work of its excellent faculty, The Institute has experienced phenomenal expansion and garnered widespread influence in the Oil and Gas Industry. Topnotch instruction, training, and research in petroleum technology from the institute's faculty have produced technicians and other skilled personnel to run the petroleum industry.

50 years standing strong and full of continuous growth and improvement, we have become these and more:

- Trainer for organizations
- Skilled labour Reservoir for Organizations and the Nation
- Strategic Partnerships
- Quality Research Bank for the Oil and Gas Industry
- Pacesetters in the establishment of an indigenous training Institute necessary for the growth of the petroleum industry and the nation at large.

In the coming years, PTI will focus on personalized and mentored learning, including industry-driven projects that will be overseen by industry experts to meet and exceed current academic and economic challenges.

"The PTI is a high-achieving, vibrant, and forward-thinking Institute in which students excel both academically and socially. Our excellent staff team is committed and dedicated to ensuring that each and every student achieves. We have high standards and expect the best..."

Principal & Chief Executive

Our Value Proposition

The Petroleum Training Institute is recognized in the core areas of training, research, and consultancy. The Institute has been a leading player in the training of specialized skilled labour in the oil and gas industry in Nigeria as well as consulting for national and multinational corporations. Our goal is geared towards the provision of quality service delivery and training of personnel to meet the client's requirements in conformity with global best practices. Our value offering includes:

TRAINING

We train both individuals and organizations through our various programmes, certifications and courses. Our training include:

Internationally Certified Diving Courses:

These courses are offered in conjunction with our technical partners: JFD UK. We are keen on mounting internationally certified diving courses in Nigeria in order to produce globally competitive and certified specialists. The courses offered include:

- **Trainee Air Diving Supervisor**
- **Dive Medic Technician Course**
- **Dive Technician**
- **First Aid at Work**
- **Assistant Life Support Technician**
- **Chamber Operator**
- **Client Representative**
- **Dive System Auditing and Assurance**
- **CSWIP 3.1U- Underwater Inspector 1**
- **CSWIP 3.2U- Underwater Inspector 2**
- **CSWIP 3.3U- ROV**
- **CSWIP 3.4U- Inspector Controller**

Minimum Industry Safety Training for Downstream Operations (MISTDO):

The MISTDO training aims to educate specialists on health safety and the environment, petroleum haulage operations, natural gas safety and courses in operations integrity.

Drilling Mud School:

Training and Certifications (IWCF & IADC) in Drilling and Well Control for Drillers, Derick Man, Roughnecks and much more.

PTI Competence Based Training:

We train individuals in acquiring skill sets of different kinds and levels. Under Our NSQ Programmes, we run the following:

NSQ PROGRAMMES	LEVEL
Automobile Mechatronics	1, 2, 3, 4 & 5
Power System Protection	1 & 2
System Electrical Operation	1 & 2
Electrical maintenance	1, 2, 3 & 4
Power Line Worker	1, 2, 3, & 4
Refrigeration and air Conditioning	1 & 2
Repairs and Maintenance	
Computer Hardware	1 & 2
Satellite Installation	1 & 2
and Maintenance	
Welding and Fabrication	1, 2 & 3
Electrical Installation	1, 2 & 3
Telecommunication Technology	2
Turbine Maintenance	1, 2 & 3
GSM Repairs	1 & 2
Technical Facility Management	1 & 2
Industrial Electronics	1 & 2

Fire Academy:

This academy aims to provide hands-on learning experience structured to provide entrants with a stable career in firefighting. The training will be thorough and will equip students with topnotch fire fighting skills that will enable them to take up firefighting duties at any place and anytime, irrespective of the source and severity of the fire.

Energy Policy and Management Courses:

This is a specialized training and certification for top-level executives in the Oil and Gas Industry, Regulatory Agencies, Civil Societies Organizations, Legislators etc. The courses offered include:

- The Petroleum Industry Act (PIA): The New Regulatory Framework for the Oil and Gas Industry
- The Petroleum Industry Act (PIA): Oil and Gas Exploration & Production Companies
- Business Opportunities in the Mid & Downstream Sector
- The Petroleum Industry Act (PIA) and Corporate Responsibilities: The Host Communities Development Fund
- Managerial Approach for a Successful Petroleum Industry Act (PIA) Implementation
- Petroleum Industry Act (PIA): A Strategy & Execution Session
- Oil and Gas Accounting in the Petroleum Industry Act (PIA)
- Sustainable Gas Business Strategy
- Oil and Gas Business Analytics

RESEARCH

We conduct research in the following major thematic areas:

- Corrosion
- Petroleum Green Energy & Economics
- The Environment
- Safety and Risk Management
- Raw Materials Production
- Sustainable Energy
- Marketing and Commercialization
- Petroleum Analysis Laboratory (PAL)
- Computer Systems & Application
- Petro-Allied Research Initiative (PARI)
- Welding and Offshore
- Coperate Communication & Conflict Resolution
- Electrical & Electronic Innovation
- Mechanical Systems

CONSULTANCY

We consult for professional bodies, organizations, governmental and non-governmental parastatals in the Oil and Gas industry. Some of our areas of consultancy include:

- Oil and Gas Processing
- Oil and Gas Technology
- Petroleum Analysis
- Electrical/Electronic Instrumentation Maintenance & Telecommunications
- Mechanical/Materials Technology & Maintenance
- Welding Engineering and Offshore Technology
- Oil and Gas Business Management
- Information Technology Management
- Health Safety and Environment
- Environmental Impact Assessment

We Deliver in Simple Steps...

Our delivery is seamless and speaks of excellence, professionalism and good ethics. We believe in delivering ageless and timeless value and the power of practicals in addressing real life economic and industry issues. Our process involves these simple, yet necessary steps:

1. **Requirement Gathering:** This involves gathering of the necessary data, information and details needed for any research, consultancy or training. It is the foremost step required in delivering on any job to our client.

2. **Pre-assessment:** We conduct a pre-assessment to ascertain the needs of our client.

3. **Selection:** We select a suitable work plan that addresses the specific needs of our clients, based on the pre-assessment earlier conducted.

4. **Onboarding:** At this stage, we onboard our clients and observe all procedures to welcome them to the winning team.

5. **Design & Implementation:** We craft and execute the project based on the requirements and selection of our client

6. **Post-Assessment and Feedback:** This is the final stage and, here, we conduct an assessment to evaluate the entire process and gather testimonials and constructive criticisms to enable us improve on our job delivery.

We look forward to greater feats ahead

Why Choose Us...

The Petroleum Training Institute is your go-to organization for quality training, research and consultancy. We have our four codes of work, which are the 4E's of PTI that guide our excellent delivery.

1. Expertise: Our experience and expertise cumulatively span five decades and our faculty possess global experience. This makes our delivery seamless and result driven.

2. Excellence: We are highly driven and motivated by excellence and we display it widely in all aspects of our interactions with our clients.

3. Exclusivity: We are prestigiously positioned as the foremost and best training institute in the oil and gas industry and our years of practice with results can attest to that.

4. Extensiveness: We are keen, attentive to details and comprehensive. Our goal is to give our clients nothing but the best.

My PTI Experience

A beautiful experience for our clients is our hallmark at the Petroleum Training Institute. For every individual, organisation, or parastatal we work with, we deliver an unforgettable experience. Check out our experience bank to see what people are saying on the quality of our service delivery:

My oil and gas business success story can only be completed by mentioning the Petroleum Training Institute. My PTI experiences were phenomenal. Its incredible instructors were my "game changers". *Willie Ekanim.* *Mobil Producing Unlimited.*	*PTI gave me the platform to be recognized in society. The culture of PTI requires excellence at all times. The instructors encouraged and taught forward thinking, hence providing me the platform to be distinct in every aspect of my career.* *Engr. Taiwo Adekunle* *Integrated activity coordinator, NLNG*
The hands-on training and extracurricular experiences I had at PTI were what prepared me for life as I know it today. The great relationships I formed with students and staff formed the bulk of my social support system. *Choice Ekpekurede* *Houston Texas.*	*The specialized training, I got in PTI coupled with the first-class equipment, made learning exciting and fun.* *Silu Santos,* *Sao tome & Principe*

PTI is not just my foundation for success, but my bedrock and I appreciate PTI for exposing me to not just the oil and gas world but also molding my character and the way I learn. *Comr. Ucho Cephas* *Country fire chief. TUCN*	*The learning experience and brotherhood I formed at PTI have been of immense value. I owe my life's successes to this great citadel of unmatched excellence and for shaping me as a person.* *Kenome Imoniovu* *Saskatchewan, Canada*
I benefited immensely from the triangulated teaching, research, and technology-driven by PTI's vision to be the leading oil and gas institution in Nigeria. *Obi, Oluchi princess* *Nestlé, Lagos*	*PTI has world-class facilities, which opened several opportunities for me to develop into who I am now. Those opportunities have made it easier for me to adapt to my current job roles.* *Umoh, Jones E.* *Total Port Harcourt*
PTI inculcated in me the tenets, fundamentals, and required expertise to safely navigate the complexities that characterize the oil and gas industries with unparalleled excellence. *Osharode David.* *Chevron Nigeria Limited*	*I got value for my money. PTI prepared me for entrepreneurship through distinct interpersonal skills.* *Bimbo Ademuwagun Balogun (Former Miss PTI)* *Entrepreneur, Lagos*
I can work under pressure, am resilient, think in and out of the box, and proffer solutions to problems. That is what you get from PTI. *Chinonso Obasi* *Director, African Student Education Support Initiative.*	*PTI has proved itself as a great partner in human capital development.* *Mr. Omole, Tayo* *United Nations office for project services (UNOPS)*
I got the ability and agility for independent reading and studying from PTI. It was a great experience that shaped my life positively. *Ayodele Jeffrey, PhD.* *NAU, Awka.*	*The training from PTI created a career path for me. Interestingly, I met my mother-in-law during my training, and it was through her that I met my wife.* *Johnson Animola.* *Power system engr.* *National Grid. UK*
The soft skills I gained from PTI inspired and transformed me in ways invaluable to me today as a mom and HR consultant. *Joy Nwajei Borghus* *Copenhagen, Denmark.*	*The facilities in PTI gave me the needed confidence and edge in the oil and gas industry and the wings to fly.* *Dimeji popoola* *United Kingdom*
The solid foundation and character I developed at PTI gave me an edge in gas engineering and Business Development. *Nathan Unugbua, Chevron Nigeria Ltd.*	*PTI is a hub for nurturing a competent and committed workforce. It has admirably committed itself to teaching and research. I am the evidence.* *Jide Olaiya* *Head, Oil and Gas Insurance*
If I were to offer any tip for prospective trainees, choosing PTI is worth the hassle. *Godwin Ebong* *MD. Gabson Engineering Services Ltd.*	*PTI is top-notch. It emboldened me to be at par with other professionals in the field of operations.* *Akpiri Cyril* *Bahrain/Saudi Arabia*
Not only has the engagement with the center allowed me to give back a little to the school that gave me so much, but it has also introduced me to great faculty and students with a vast array of diversity and potential. *Princepaul Agbohlahor* *Lahor Music, Houston Texas.*	*I will always be grateful for all the support and help I have received from everyone at the Petroleum Training Institute. It is a great place to learn not just in the circular but Godly things.* *Pastor Moses Ehinor, Lagos*

Looking back on my education in PTI, one word that comes to mind is exceptional. I found classes and knowledge taught rewarding in every aspect resulting in immediate success in my career upon graduation.

Samson Ogoru,
Impact for success foundation, Warri

Upon graduating, I used the knowledge I learned from my certificate daily in my career. I feel PTI has prepared me for what I will face once entering the Job market, allowing me to hit the ground running and succeed in various roles so far.
Augustina Ovuema,

The Federal University of Petroleum Resources, Effurun

I love being part of student organization and meeting other students with similar experiences. PTI shaped me for my professional life and my quest to know more and support my community.

Emmanuel Essen,
NLNG Bonny

Congratulations to PTI. Great people have walked through your door to sunshine. My advice is to keep one foot in front of the other day by day and find your allies where you can both in corporate and private enterprise.

Clement Ucho (SUG President 2004)
Lagos

My work experience, alongside and observing other jobs, played a crucial role in why I chose PTI. I am proud and grateful that my decision yielded an extraordinary dividend.

Innocent Lawuru, Port Harcourt

One of my most influential classes was my Organizational Communication class, instructed by E.E. Archibong. This class embodied the spirit of PTI, which focused on critical thinking, collaboration, and driving for results. Within the course, I built a robust fundamental understanding of teamwork. Additionally, it stoked my curiosity and desire for continued learning. Overall am proud to be a PTI alumnus

Otitigbe Otitire,
Dangote Refinery, Lagos

I am so grateful for all the opportunities. PTI helped open the door to great possibilities. The marketing and communication skills learned cannot be quantified, but with a grateful heart, I say thank you to my alma mater where I met great people who have formed my circle of positive vibes today.

Numoni, Monday Balogun,
First Bank, Lagos

In August 2014, the research result of my final year project (Biological treatment of Brewery Effluent using Water Hyacinth,) Supervised by Dr. (Mrs) Tina Isichei, gained international recognition. This is a testament to the worth and dedication of PTI faculty and commitment. PTI is worth the money.

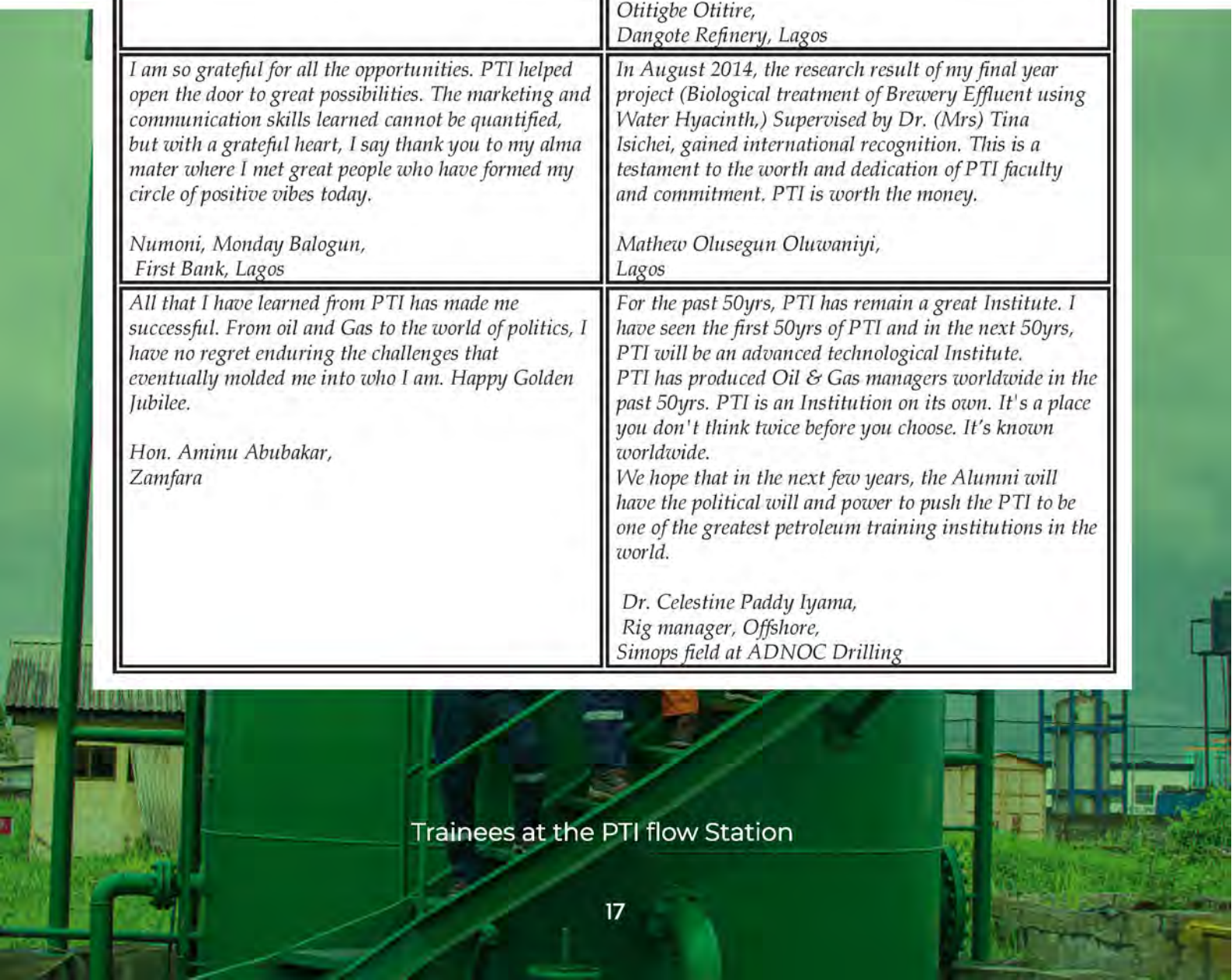
Mathew Olusegun Oluwaniyi,
Lagos

All that I have learned from PTI has made me successful. From oil and Gas to the world of politics, I have no regret enduring the challenges that eventually molded me into who I am. Happy Golden Jubilee.

Hon. Aminu Abubakar,
Zamfara

For the past 50yrs, PTI has remain a great Institute. I have seen the first 50yrs of PTI and in the next 50yrs, PTI will be an advanced technological Institute.
PTI has produced Oil & Gas managers worldwide in the past 50yrs. PTI is an Institution on its own. It's a place you don't think twice before you choose. It's known worldwide.
We hope that in the next few years, the Alumni will have the political will and power to push the PTI to be one of the greatest petroleum training institutions in the world.

Dr. Celestine Paddy Iyama,
Rig manager, Offshore,
Simops field at ADNOC Drilling



Trainees at the PTI flow Station

A PTI Staff watches his NLNG trainee in workshop practice

Hercules Offshore staff being trained in Mechanical workshop practice by a PTI instructor.

Ready for underwater repairs at the raw water intake well of the Kaduna Refining and Petrochemical Company.

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PTI has Trained over 50,000 Technologists, Technicians in Oil and Gas Sector - Adimula

By Onyinyechi Udemezue

Principal and Chief Executive of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), Dr Henry Adebowale Adimula, says the Institute has graduated no fewer than 50, 000 Technologists, Technicians and other technical personnel in various areas of oil and gas and allied industries operations.

Adimula who made this disclosure recently at the Institute added that the PTI which was established in 1972, besides achieving 100 per cent of its mandate, has churned out quality graduates that are the most preferred choices for employment in the oil and gas sector across the globe.

He maintained that in line with the local content policy on manpower development, the Institute's effort has yielded positive results where expatriate technicians working in the petroleum industry are now being replaced by trained indigenous technicians.

While urging captains of the oil and gas industry to visit the Institute's state-of-the-art facilities with a huge potential to offer training in all aspects of petroleum industry operations, he added, "I urge the captains of the oil industries to come and take a tour of our exceptional facilities that have huge potential for offering training in all aspects of petroleum industry operations".

In his words, "These facilities should serve as a platform for domesticating training in the industry and thus saving vital foreign exchange for the nation's economy," Adimula noted.

The PTI Boss lauded past and present executives of the Petroleum Technology Development Fund (PTDF) for the infrastructural upgrade of the institution. He said the intervention of PTDF has positioned the Institute as the only one in sub-Sahara Africa with the facilities that can address the contemporary training needs of oil and gas workers in Africa.

Dr Adimula added that the next 50 years of the Institute will be a period of redefinition in the delivery of training solutions, research and development. He, therefore, made a wake-up call to Oil and Gas institutions to engage in research that will tackle Africa's challenges on energy.

Speaking further, he urged Africans not to take hurried steps in abandoning fossil fuels, but to make research and expand local technologies to meet the high global demand for fossil fuels.

According to Adimula, "As the world grapples with energy transition from the exploitation and utilization of fossil fuels to cleaner and more environmentally friendly sources of energy, the Petroleum Training Institute has taken a bold stride in kick-starting research and development efforts that takes cognisance of the peculiarity of the Africa situation.

"With an estimated 125 billion barrels of crude reserves and over 600tcf of gas reserves in Africa, it is our considered opinion that Africa should not hasten to abandon fossil fuel but should strive to deepen research and development of local technologies that enable the exploitation and beneficiation of our oil and gas endowment in a more environmentally friendly manner as the reality of global demand for fossil fuel is expected to linger for the next 50 years".

Adimula also noted that, "Today, we are confronted with the grim reality that only a few African countries have been able to master certain aspects of oil production technology but none can research, design and fabricate key machinery for the industry.

"Thus, the Institute intends to focus research in this key area in order to develop local content capacity in oil technology to enable our country to achieve some independence in the design and production of technology for the oil industry.

"This endeavour is all the more critical since the foreign expertise we solely rely on for our oil and gas potential has developed a sudden apathy for the exploitation of the hydrocarbons in the wake of the allurement of the energy transmission.

"This serves as a wake-up call for our indigenous Institutes to engage in research in order to develop local production technology in the oil and gas industry to address Africa's perennial challenges of poverty and energy shortages," he said.

Pioneer Public Affairs Director, delivers PTI 50th Golden Jubilee Graduation lecture

Akaighe Lucky

The pioneer Deputy Director and Head of Public Affairs Department of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) Retired; Mr. Chris Yinka Kachikwu was the cynosure of eyes as activities climaxing the celebration of PTI 50th Anniversary took centre stage when he was saddled with the task of delivering the PTI Golden Jubilee Graduation/Public Lecture.

Delivering the lead paper entitled "PTI Beyond 50: Breaking New Frontiers in Qualitative Training and Research for the Oil and Gas Industry" Mr. Kachikwu presently of the Mass Communication Department, Novena University, Ogume-kwale, Delta State stated that the Nigeria content policy implementation in the oil and gas industry, opened the doors for the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) to be relevant in the scheme of things.

While going down memory lane, kachikwu said in 1966, came a significant change in the political Government in Nigeria when the military took over power, oil companies operating a loose, Individualized sharing policy of oil and gas production proceeds with Government. However, He said, in May 21, 1971, there came a change in Government's participation in the oil and gas industry activities with the establishment of the Nigeria National Oil Corporation (NNOC)

Mr. Kachikwu said the creation the NNOC under Decree No 18, 1971 made Government's participation in the oil industry legally binding and ushered in several members to the Board and key among these Directors was the Director of Petroleum Resource Federal Ministry of Mines and power who became hitherto the chairman, PTI Governing Council.

In the same vein, the former Head of Public Affairs ascertained that on 19th September, 1972, the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) established by Decree No 37, and later amended by act No 52 of 1st January, 1994, now the PTI Act CAP P 16, 2004, with the mandate to train middle-level manpower for the oil and gas industry. The oil and gas industry witnessed an upsurge in exploration activities, refining petrol-chemicals, product transportation and marketing while the Institute became an integral part of the new vibrant oil industry during the period.

Mr. Kachikwu posited that the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) never emerged as a conventional institution such as the university or polytechnic, but was established as a specialized training institution dedicated to the oil and gas industry in Nigeria since the early 1970's.

Speaking further, the Keynote speaker while giving account of the Institute's early challenges said on April 1, 1977, the newly created NNOC was merged with the Ministry of Petroleum Resources to form the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC).

Mr. Kachikwu went further to say that it was believed that had the Petroleum Training Institute merged with the NNPC to function as its flagship for manpower training, the Institute might have flourished as a monolith middle level manpower training, development and research Institute as well as a certification body for all upstream and downstream operations for the oil industry.

However, he said some school of thought argued that if the merger between the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) and the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) had seen the light of the day, the PTI may have lost its legal autonomy.

Continuing, the lead presenter said the above implies that if the model of in Corporation to NNPC was adopted for the PTI at outset, all the crisis PTI experienced in functions and identity would have been averted based on section (3) of the enabling Act 37 which states"

To perform such other function as in the opinion of the council, may serve to promote the objectives of the Institute.

Kachikwu further elucidated that the Petroleum Training Institute, was set up by the bilateral agreement between the Federal Government of Nigeria and the Government of Soviet Russia in the early 70s' as the idea of Government then, was to domesticate basic technology and skill in hydrocarbon exploitation so as to address the chronic educational and skills deficiencies among Nigerians which deterred their effective participation and exploration activities.

He noted in his lecture that in view of the infrastructural challenges faced by the industry as at that time and in its incipient stages, the Federal Government saw the necessity for an urgent set-up of the Petroleum Training Institute as it secured shell- BP former drilling Training School at Ughelli as a temporary take- off premises for the Institute.

The school had the basic infrastructure for a residential campus and on June 2, 1975, the temporary facility was formerly opened by the then Federal Commissioner of works and power, Alhaji Ali Monguno and in May

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1977, the Institute was moved to its permanent site at Effurun.

Mr. Kachikwu stated that the Institute never lacked technical assistance based on the bilateral agreement it had with the soviet Russia Government, as a good number of soviet experts and training equipment were brought in to help set up the Institute's infrastructure.

Similarly, the Institute also enjoyed technical assistance from Italy in setting up its welding school as the Italian experts, lecturers and instructors not only taught the trainees, but organized intensive train- the trainer programs for the selected Nigeria instructors who succeeded them.

He postulated that one does not need to be clairvoyant to attest to the fact that the future of PTI would remain as steady growth of the historic reforms in the Petroleum industry, ease of doing business and the encouragement of local content in PIA by the past Administration on July 18, 2018 and its successful passage as an Act on August 6, 2021, was taken into cognizance.

Kachikwu stated further that under the new law, NNPC which was hitherto a corporation, has been incorporated under the Companies' Allied Matters Act (CAMA) to become a limited liability company while the Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR) whose Director is statutorily the chairman of the PTI Governing Council has been declared defunct and subsequently replaced as specified by the Petroleum Industry Act (PIA) by two (2) regulatory agencies namely: The Nigeria Upstream Petroleum Regulatory Commission (NUPRC) and the Nigerian Downstream and Midstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority (NDMPRA), it was expected that the PIA would produce critical change to the legal and governance framework, administrative processes, regulatory and fiscal terms and of course host communities engagements in the oil and gas industry in Nigeria as such changes should prove as a sign of positive change for the Petroleum Training Institute effort to break new frontiers in qualitative training and research for the oil and gas industry.

PTI and SLB Seek Ways of Collaboration

Lucky Akaighe

As the oil and gas industry grapples with the paradigm shift from fossil fuel to renewable energy, the Management of the Petroleum Training Institute, (PTI) and her industry counterpart; SLB formerly (Schlumberger) a global technology company, were on a round table to discuss ways of collaboration to meet the growing demands of the industry.

Receiving a team of officials from SLB in the Institute recently as a follow-up of PTI's participation and exhibition at the National Association of Petroleum Explorationist (NAPE) conference in Lagos, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr, Henry Adimula expressed his delight to have SLB, a world leader in drilling, exploration and production over the years, visit the Institute to seek possible areas of collaboration.

Dr. Adimula who Spoke through the Vice Principal, Engr. Dr. Samuel E. Onoji further stated that the Institute was poised to do business with SLB having entered into collaboration with SNEPCO, Benel Energy, NLNG and a host of other oil and allied companies.

He said the Institute which has been established in 1972 with a mandate in training, research and consultancy, without doubt, have continued to blaze the trail as encapsulated in its vision and mission statements.

The Chief Executive however called on the Management of SLB to engage the Institute in staff exchange training, research and development, provision of smart class room facilities in an attempt to conduct research and upscale its operations.

Responding the SLB communications manager, west Africa, Keside Anosike said the name SLB also means Schaumberg and that its standard operations in the industry for over 97 years has remained unchanged.

Mr. Anosike noted that SLB was a child of Schaumberg with a focus on helping to decarbonize the industry as well as accommodate all assets of the oil and gas value chain.

Represented by the Digital Business Manager, Sofyan Salem, Mr. Anosike posited that the PTI is well known in the oil and gas industry, hence, the need to come and check on its facilities and close-up on areas of collaboration.

The high point of the visit was when the SLB team was conducted round the Electrical Engineering and Petroleum and Natural Gas Processing laboratories, the Rig, Flow station amongst others.

POEM

A KNOCK ON A DOOR

Transfixed i remain '0' lord
My words are all dried up
In the torrents of my tears, humbled
By the majesty of your divine presence

Let me in '0' lord
Through the doors of your mercy,
Your munificence '0' lord of the heavens and the earth
And the oceans of your infinite compassion.

Exalt our station '0' lord of the mighty throne
And make sacrosanct our integrity

For only through your mercy, we remain
Safe in the divine assurance
Of your love and perfect protection.

THE VISIT

I behold a noble king today
I behold mortality from your piercing gaze

And this is neither a sad nor happy poem
Nor a trite prophecy of our approaching end

I behold the aura of power permeating my soul
And the onslaught of time on our mortal frames

I behold the tenacity of the divine scrolls
Where destiny is never a roll of dice

I behold a noble king and prayed
For favoured lines on his divine scroll

I behold a noble king today
My king, today and forever more!

- all Poems by Suleiman Zailani

This is Time To Engage In Research To Address Africa's Challenges On Energy' – PTI Boss

By Onyinyechi Udemezue

The Principal and Chief Executive of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), Dr. Henry Adebowale Adimula, has called on all oil and gas institutions in Africa to engage in research that will tackle Africa's challenges on energy.

This is even as he disclosed that the PTI has definite focus on research in key areas to develop local content capacity in oil and gas technology in Nigeria

Dr Adimula who made the call recently in Effurun, also urged Africans not to hasten in abandoning fossil fuels, but to engage in more research and expand local technologies to meet the high global demand for the element.

He disclosed that the Institute intends to focus research in the key areas in the energy sector to develop local content capacity in oil technology to enable the country to achieve some independence in the design and production of technology for the oil industry.

According to him, "This endeavour is all the more critical since the foreign expertise we solely rely on for our oil and gas potential has developed a sudden apathy for the exploitation of the hydrocarbons in the wake of the allurement of the energy transmission.

"This serves as a wake-up call for our indigenous Institutes to engage in research in order to develop local production technology in the oil and gas industry to address Africa's perennial challenges of poverty and energy shortages.

He also mentioned that the Institute is fully engaged in the manpower development for deep offshore diving and deep offshore operations through the brace of specialised courses in underwater operations, among other things.

The Chief Executive also said the Institute has championed the training of Over 3,000 personnel in oil and gas companies on contemporary skills development through booster course program and is in collaboration with Dangote Oil Refinery Company for training of its staff.

Adimula said, "It is delightful to inform you that the Institute had embarked upon the Divers Medic Training Program (DMT) to technicians engaged in underwater operations through collaboration with JFD a specialised Diving Institute in the UK, Shell Nigerian Exploration Company Limited (SNEPCO) and the mediation effort of NCDMB.

"PTI is also in a collaboration with Benel Energy for Certification training in Drilling and Well Control under the auspices of the International Well Control Forum (IWCF). There would be commencement of national skill qualification program by the Institute and commencement of Certification program on Health, Safety and Environment through the signing of memorandum of understanding with Institute of Safety Professionals of Nigeria (ISPON), among others".

Adimula stated that from inception in 1972 till date, the Institute has graduated well over 50 thousand technologists and technicians and other technical personnel in various areas in oil and gas and allied industry operations. He added that the Alumni members can be gleaned not only in Nigeria but across the globe playing major roles in the management and operations in the oil and gas and allied industry.

Anger Management

Ziregbe Loveth Omagbemi

Anger is a strong feeling of annoyance, displeasure, or hostility. Sometimes, one could barely restrain his or her anger at a comment.

The Holy Bible says in "Proverb 29:11" it's only a fool who gives full vent to his anger and the wise keeps it under control.

Anger is a very sensitive and crucial issue that ought to be carefully handled and well managed, if not it can create a lot of misinterpretation and misconception. It can also create doctrines that may not be healthy for the society. Anger is an outward expression of bottled-up offence of an inbuilt emotion, which reacts to all forms of impulses of negative or positive emotion. Thoughts and feelings that can be stirred up by provocative words, and actions, inform of criticism, oppression, false accusation, gossip, betrayal, disobedience, disloyalty, and sometimes corruption.

Anger does not really have an explicit Definition and the symptoms may not be ascertained because, one man's boiling point, may be the freezing point of another man. However, anger is a vice that incubates other destructive vices. The spirit of anger is the demonic keys that break the hedge of protection. Even the Holy Scripture says, "Be ye angry and sin not". (Eph. 4:26) and he that break the hedge a serpent shall bit. Anger creates anxiety, worries, and tensions etc., health wise, most stroke related diseases are traced to high level of anger, which had accumulated over several years. It is an involuntary emotional reaction. Most times we considered anger as a normal reaction to "misconception about one's personality when all efforts to set the records straight to another person, seems abortive". Anger may not be totally a bad habit, but it may result in evil and destruction of life and property if not managed.

Anger may lead to uncontrollable action, and the consequences could be destructive. The devil is still using the subtle device of anger to destroy families, churches, different organisations and the world in general today.

This article is geared towards the negative impact of anger in our homes, work place and even the society at large. Anger, when out of control negatively breed resentfulness, bitterness, hostility, enmity and destruction of lives and properties. Though not all angers are sinful or wrong at the initial time, but managing it can make the difference. And again, Jesus took a swipe on those that sold and buy, money changers, in the temple and said it is written, my house

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PTI Delivers First Dive Medic Training

By Onyinyechi Udemezue

NCDMB, SNEPCo and PTI management flanked by the first batch of DMT trainees

The first Divers Medic Technician (DMT) training for emergencies in offshore activities which was anchored by the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), in partnership with the Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board (NCDMB) and Shell Nigeria Exploration and Production Company (SNEPCO), recently took place at the PTI Conference Centre, Effurun, Delta State.

The Principal and Chief Executive of the Institute, Dr Henry Adimula, while declaring the training open, disclosed that the DMT training, which is one of the many trainings the Institute had, has six trainees for the pioneer set and will last for a period of 10 days and were sponsored by NCDMB and SNEPCO.

Dr. Adimula said that the training, which was made possible in partnership with the NCDMB and SNEPCO, is one of the major steps taken to ensure increase in local content.

According to him, "The PTI has contributed its quota to Nigeria for 50 years and our goal is to make PTI an international centre for training, not just for Nigeria but also for Africa. One of the major thrusts of this administration is to ensure increase in local content and input of Nigerians into the various industries, especially the petroleum industry; and what we are doing today, is one big step in line with that".

Speaking further, Adimula said, "This training that we are commencing today is what Nigerians spend millions of dollars outside Nigeria to do. Though we are doing it in partnership with a foreign body, our ultimate goal is that very soon, the entire process will be conducted here in Nigeria and the certificate that will be obtained will be internationally recognized.

"The Divers Medic Technician course is focused on training for first line intervention in respect to any emergency arising from diving activities and the training is a 10-day intensive training that will be followed by an examination. The institute's goal is to align and position itself to be very active in the training for the availability of manpower for the Nigeria oil and gas sector; this is just the first of many wins attainable by the institution," he said.

On his part, Mr. Muhammed Ahmed, of NCDMB reiterated that the training was the first of its kind in the institution and was in line with the local content directives given by the Buhari-led administration.

In his words, "This is the first time a training of this nature is being conducted like this in PTI in conjunction with NCDMB and the board is really passionate about it. This is in line with the NCDMB key mandate which is industry capacity".

Also speaking, the then Director of PTI Offshore Technology and Energy Centre (OTEC), Dr. Michael A. Adegbite while describing the DMT training as another great achievement in the history of PTI, commended Shell and other industry players for their supportive roles in respect to diving activities in Nigeria.

Adegbite recalled that, "In 1998, four of our colleagues in PTI were trained in France under the auspices of Shell and those were the very few divers who came out outstanding among all the other divers in Nigeria. I am glad that today we are in Shell Block here in PTI inaugurating the training of Dive Medic Technicians DMT who will respond at the first instance when help is needed.

He advised the trainees to take the program seriously and take the knowledge they will acquire to deeper depths.

Also speaking at the event, Dr Oriri Asemota Omorodion, Managing Director PTI Consultancy Services Limited while presenting the trainees before the Academic board said: " The concept is all about training our Youths in specialized skills to fix various aspects of our economy, particularly the Oil and Gas industry."

According to her, "So far in trying to build capacity, using the Petroleum Training Institute as a platform, Shell, NCDMB have taken the initiative to be in the fore front in the business of training Nigerian youths."

Dr Omorodion; who emphasized the need for the pioneer trainees to be good ambassadors of the Petroleum Training Institute said: " I am moved to advise you, the trainees to make good use of this opportunity. I insist that you should be torch bearers to make PTI proud as good ambassadors." She continued: " Be focused, let your learning be in content and character, because this is just the beginning of a long journey, that foreshadow a bigger picture to come.

Mr Ahmed Mohamed Ahmed, the Deputy Manager of NCDMB who also spoke expressed confidence in the partnership as it supports the key mandate to NCDMB.

Mr Obi Atulu who represented SNEPCO thanked the management of PTI for making the Institute a veritable Platform for this kind of Specialized training.

Mr Yamboizibe Elwick Dickson, President National Association of Professional Divers NAPROD in his contribution thanked all stakeholders who played one role or the other to ensure that the Dive Medic Technician training which use to take place only in foreign country is now domesticated.

PTI Task New Students on Local and Indigenous Technologies

..matriculates 1718 students

By Onyinyechi Udemezue

The Principal and Chief Executive Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), Dr. Henry Adimula, has tasked the 1, 718 newly admitted students of the Institute to come up with innovations on ways of exploiting fossil fuels using local and indigenous technologies while studying in the Institute.

Speaking during the combined Full-time and School of Industrial Continuing Education (SICE) programme matriculation for the 2022/2023 academic session recently, the Chief Executive urged the Matriculants to rise to the renewed pursuit of excellence as the Institute sought long-lasting solutions to the challenges in the petroleum industry.

Dr. Adimula said, "You are among the 1,718 candidates out of the numerous applicants that were offered admission, congratulations". The 2022/2023 academic session marks the beginning of the post-Jubilee era of the Institute. PTI celebrated 50 years of impactful existence in producing viable manpower for the oil and gas industry.

"Providentially, you are the first Matriculants in the post-Jubilee era. I therefore, implore all of you to rise to the renewed pursuit of excellence as we seek long-lasting solutions to the challenges in the petroleum industry," he opined.

He disclosed that efforts towards repositioning the Institute to better actualise its mandate was at the advanced stage and assured that the students would benefit immensely from it when fully implemented, adding that the Institute's focus of its post-Jubilee era was to integrate its hands-on training model with greater emphasis on creativity and innovation.

"I hereby call on all staff and students of the PTI to be ready for this new shift in our training model. Students' projects and staff research groups will be tailored toward solving particular problems in the industry and our immediate environment," he said.

Adimula said that the vision of PTI was to become the leading oil and gas technological institute in Africa, also, the mission was to provide competent technological human resources through quality training, research and consultancy for the oil and gas and allied industry.

The principal said that the Institute had been working in line with its vision and mission for the past 50 years.

He urged the students to adhere strictly to the Institute's Academic Standards as well as its rules and regulations so as not to fall short of its requirements and rules.

The principal advised the students to always follow the proper channels of communication to air their grievances.

He however warned the students against examination misconduct; bullying; cultism; certificate forgery; stealing; indecent dressing; physical abuse; use of drugs and misuse of social media and among others.

He said, "Let me inform our matriculants that the PTI is a centre of excellence in the petroleum industry in Nigeria. We provide leadership, best practices, research, support and training for the petroleum industry. For this purpose, we have zero tolerance for the social vices."

He implored the students to embrace hard work, perseverance, learning, studying and sacrifice noting that, "Success in the PTI will not come to you by buying your way through, as this is completely against our culture and practice in the Institute."

"You need to hit the ground running immediately by giving diligent and conscientious attention to your studies. Your attendance in classes must be above 75% to qualify you to sit for exams to enable you achieve academic success in PTI," he stated.

He assured them that the Institute had the best workshop, well-equipped laboratories, training equipment and facilities in sub-Saharan Africa.

Local Content: PTI Trains 48 NLNG Technicians

By Onyinyechi Udemezue

In a pragmatic move towards the fulfilment of the local content policy of the Federal Government, the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), Effurun, has trained and graduated Forty-Eight (48) Nigeria LNG Limited's (NLNG) fresh set of technicians and staff in specialised fields of industry operations.

At the conclusion of the six months rigorous training, the graduate trainees received certifications in various competencies, including the PTI Proficiency Certificate, NEBOSH International General Certificate (IGC), National Skills Qualification (NSQ) and City and Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Leadership and Team Skills.

Speaking at the closing ceremony, The Principal and Chief Executive of the Institute, Dr. Henry Adimula, noted that NLNG's decision to train the technicians at PTI instead of outside the shores of Nigeria had saved the Nigeria huge sums of money.

According to him, "When we compare the cost of this training undertaken here in PTI and that conducted outside the shores of Nigeria, we would see that PTI has saved our dear nation, Nigeria, huge sums of money running into millions of British pounds and if converted into naira, hundreds of millions, if not billions."

He disclosed that the trainees were divided along different areas of specialty including: electrical, mechanical and instrumentation, health and safety, communication and team skills, among others. They also acquired skills in Liquefied Natural Gas Processing, an area the sponsor of the training, NLNG, is keen on, to bolster productivity, meet customer demands and sustain a safe operation of the NLNG in Bonny, Rivers State without harm to its personnel, assets, the environment and the host community.

Dr. Adimula asserted that executing a specialised training of this kind against the myriad of challenges facing the Institute reaffirmed the resilience of the Institute in delivering a world-class training despite the initial misgivings of NLNG management about the Institute's capacity to deliver on its promises adding that the Institute is proud to have delivered competently a technical training comparable with what is obtainable anywhere in the world

"PTI understands that the Oil and Gas industry is a global one driven by international standards. This has made us to pursue a rapid certification programme by reputable international certification bodies such as NEBOSH IOSH, LA, OPITO, IADC, IWCF, IMCA, IW, among other such bodies", the Principal and Chief Executive added.

"These graduate trainees are leaving here with certificates from both NEBOSH International General Certificate (GC) and the International Institute of Management (IIM Level 2)," he said.

Adimula appealed to the Nigeria LNG to think of donating some equipment that would enable PTI to be able to carry out more of the technical trainings it requires.

The PTI boss further challenged the oil and gas and allied industry players to patronise the Institute to address their technical training needs inclusive of required certification and expressed his confidence that the Institute would deliver in a manner characteristic of its tradition of excellence.

On his part, the NLNG representative, Mr. Christopher Ireogbulam, lauded the programme as one of NLNG's efforts at boosting local content by expanding and exploring local technical capabilities for the general development of the country.

He said the NLNG and PTI partnership was a mutual venture that would ultimately build requisite local skilled manpower that would competently run the oil and gas industry, saying NLNG would invest in fruitful ventures like the training, as it holds potential for Nigeria's industrial transformation.

Also speaking at the event, the Managing Director, PTI Consultancy Services Limited, Dr. (Mrs.) Oriri Omorodion said "the graduation of the technical trainees of NLNG marked a significant milestone in the human capital development for Nigeria's local content for the oil and gas and allied industries".

Dr. Omorodion disclosed that at the end of the training, the graduate trainees were awarded the following certifications: PTI Proficiency Certificate, NEBOSH International General Certificate (IGC), City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Leadership and Team Skills and National Skills Qualification (NSQ)

Responding on behalf of the Trainees, Hossanna Jesse Jackson thanked the Nigeria NLG Management and the PTI team for the wonderful opportunity given to them and urged the 48 trainee graduands among which are 11 ladies, to justify the training they had acquired as they return to their duty posts.

"We want to thank the Principal & Chief Executive, Management and Staff of the Petroleum Training Institute Effurun, Delta State and the distinguished Management and representatives of the Nigerian LNG Limited in attendance for this opportunity to share our thoughts which we believe reflects the collective contemplations of the entire 48 Trainees here seated who have successfully undergone the Technician training here in PTI Effurun."

A cross session of the Trainees at their graduation

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The Principal and Chief Executive of the Petroleum Training Institute, Dr. Henry Adebowale Adimula in this chat with the PTI news crew bares his mind on the activities and achievements of the Institute in the last 50 years and the plans ahead.

Onyinyechi Udemezue captured the excerpts.

PTI was established in 1972 by the Federal Government as a prerequisite for the membership of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). When you cast a glance at the past 50 years, how would you rate the Institute?

Ans: Yes, PTI reaches back to the beginning of oil and industry era in Nigeria and as you rightly stated, it's part of the requirement to be part of OPEC which Nigeria is a full member and I believe that any nation that desire to grow should have a control of its critical assets. Petroleum for a very long time has been the main stay of the Nigerian economy and the Institute was established to develop the technical manpower to run the affairs of the oil and gas industry in Nigeria. So, as you may be aware, part of the objective of OPEC is to grow the capacity of all the member countries to be able to play a bigger role in the global oil and gas industry. Before then expatriates used run the industry and if we continue to do that, we will not be able to build our own indigenous technological capacity to run the industry and this was what informed the sole aim of establishing the PTI as far back as 50 years ago. To answer your question, PTI as a training Institute has made unprecedented achievements but despite achieving so much, we are not relenting.

Going by its vision: "To become the leading oil and gas technological Institute in Africa, would you say that the Institute has achieved, or is achieving these set goals?

Ans: Yes, we are achieving it, we have achieved it and we are doing much more even to conquer the rest of the world. PTI prides itself to be a highly technologically driven organisation where we train and equip people to acquire the prerequisite knowledge for oil and gas industry operation and we know that we are doing a very good job not just in Nigeria but also in Africa. We have trained personnel from different countries in Africa. Many of the oil producing countries in Africa have had one training or the other in the Institute. So yes, we are doing very well. Even recently, the Africa Petroleum Producers Organization (APPO) visited the Institute to inspect our facilities and to explore the possibility of designating PTI as the Centre of Excellence in the Sub-region.

From the immediate past and the present administration, the nation's Upstream, Midstream and Downstream sectors of the Oil and Gas Industry have witnessed some major reforms and policy changes. As Head of the institution that train manpower for this sector, do you think the Federal Government has done well? If yes, what are the indicators?

Ans: The Federal Government has indeed done very well, the immediate past administration did very well while the present admiration is just starting, so to me, it will be too early to judge.

What are the indicators for the sake of our readers?

Ans: I think one thing we can be proud of that the past administration achieved was the passage of the Petroleum Industry Act (PIA) and that has opened up a lot of activities for the industry, a lot of opportunities even for the host communities and that also is what the government is using to attract a lot of investment in the industry. So, yes, it is a very good policy and apart from the PIA, before now, we have had several other policies like the pronouncement of this decade as the decade of GAS. Gas is a cleaner fuel than the conventional petroleum products and that also is in line with the desire of the country to become greener, make our environment better and that means also that we are moving in the same pace with the rest of the world. The government have come up with

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several policies that have put the industry and the economy in a very sound footing.

Is there any benefit from the PIA to the Institute?

Ans: I just mentioned that the PIA offered to us a potential for a lot of activities because we see in it a lot of opportunities to develop training capacities and also to develop indigenous capacity especially to the oil producing host communities, we see a great vista of opportunities. Not that government has given us more money, that is not the idea, what government does is to create an environment for every serious organization like ours to take advantage of and that is what we are doing.

Who controls PTI? Is the Institute under the Ministry of Petroleum Resources or Ministry of Education or directly under the presidency?

Ans: PTI is a Parastatal of the Ministry of Petroleum Resources. The Ministry of Petroleum Resources has an oversight function of the Institute and PTI also has its own Governing Council and if you check the enabling Act establishing the Institute, the Council is there to oversee the day to day running of the Institute and directly representing the council is the Principal Chief Executive of the Institute.

You have worked in the Institute for more than two decades, and you are now the Chief Executive, how can you describe your experience?

Ans: My experience over the years have been wonderful from day one. The PTI environment is very conducive that anyone willing to build a career will find him or herself in an environment you can thrive. I think that is very critical because, some environment will stifle you but the PTI environment allows you to develop and actualize your potentials and I must say that this environment and community have provided me with such opportunities.

What are the challenges faced as the leader of the Institute?

Ans: The major challenge is the ability to keep with trends of the sector, we are servicing the oil and gas industry and this is not a local industry, it is an international industry, and also an industry that is heavily dependent on technology, this also means that you need a lot of investment every time to catch up with the modern technology as they evolve. Funding has been a challenge but we try to maximise what we have and also in partnering with bodies that are able to assist us in funding. So, to an extent, we have been able to overcome such challenges and because also of the critical nature of the industry, the Institute is currently repositioning deliberately to align closely to the needs of the oil and gas industry today. The goal or objective is for the Institute to become the centre of Excellence as a training hub for oil and gas industry not just locally in Nigeria but of course, as you rightly noted earlier, our overall goal and market is African continent. So, we are actively pushing that and we believe that the rewards will come very soon.

Despite your effort at working round the clock to place PTI as the pacesetter, some industries in the country still sought training overseas. How do you plan to arrest this capital flight?

Ans: It will not change in a day but we are changing that and for instance looking at one of the biggest company today in Nigeria is the Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG) Company, it is a world class company and every year this company recruit staff, Technicians and Technologies and send them outside the Country for training but recently, PTI had an opportunity and we pleaded for this training, they came inspected our facilities and gave us a contract for training their technicians and today we can proudly say that their staff have been trained here in our facilities and they are well equipped to go and improve their facility, that is a big plus for us and it goes a long way to show to the world that if we can do that, we can actually do more. Recently too, we did a specialised Dive Medic Technician (DMT) training which otherwise would have been taken out of this country. In partnership with a foreign body, 20 personnel were trained and they all passed the examination at the first attempt. All these are pointers to the fact that we can achieve and do so much more by believing in ourselves as Nigeria that all these things are possible with us and the whole essence is to win the trust of the industry that, there is no point taking these trainings out of the country, with the right investment and the right support these trainings will be delivered successfully here in PTI. And we have done a lot of training here for many other oil companies. So, whenever the opportunity comes up, we are ever ready, equipped and capable to deliver.

Many institutions have their financial issues' so if given an open cheque what do you want the Government to do for you (PTI)?

Ans: Funding is good but again, the question should be, how do we maximize the available funds. Yes, everybody will naturally want more fund but when you are faced with such challenges of paucity of funds because if you look at the entire country, so many sectors are crying for fund and no sector would any day have it all. So, what we do is to reach out to the industry, by showcasing what we are doing, so that if for instance the country spends a lot of millions of dollars every year training staff outside of the country, imagine if we are able to capture 50% of the training, we will have more than enough to conduct our activities. So, our target is to look at how we can take advantage of the challenges, improve what we do and win the respect of the industry so that they can domicile their training here in PTI.

Given an opportunity Sir, what area of the PIA would you suggest amendment? bearing in mind the 3% for host communities?

Ans: We believe that 3% assigned to the host community for the development of the community is a step in the right direction and is quite laudable.

But stakeholders felt the 3% is too meagre for the Communities?

Well, the 3% is better than nothing, so it is a very good one and I think what we should do is to use that 3% well so that by the time we use it judiciously and people see the results, then we can be justified to ask for more or ask for an amendment.

PTI celebrated 50 years of consistent training and manpower development for the oil and gas sector. The question is, where are the products? have they given back to the Institute or have they disconnected from the Institute?

Ans: As you noted, we have been in business for over 50 years. The Institute was established in 1972, we have been consistently training, and I

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2012 Batch of Employees Donates Solar Street Light Panels to PTI

Akaighe Lucky

The 2012 batch of staff employed by the Petroleum Training Institute recently donated eleven (11) sets of solar street light panel to the Institute in appreciation to God Almighty for his grace and mercies over their lives for the past ten (10) years.

Speaking on behalf of the 2012 set of employees, the coordinator of the PTI Fire Academy, Mrs. Mercy O. Irefo stated that it became necessary that they seize the opportunity of the Institute golden jubilee celebration to contribute their own quota towards lighting up the Institute.

Mrs. Irefo further said the gesture was in tandem with the transformation agenda of Dr. Henry Adimula's administration.

Responding, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr Henry A. Adimula said the philanthropic act was a precedence worthy of emulation by all.

Dr. Adimula charged the 2012 batch of staff to keep striving for excellence in their various departments which would in turn culminate in the actualization of the Institute's goals and objectives.

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can boldly say that we have trained more than 50 thousand Nigerians and Foreigners in our facilities. Our products are in the industry, they are the captains of the industry today. Now it may interest you to know that most of the people that are running the industry today at one time or the other have had one form of training or the other here in the Institute. Our products are high achievers, making good opportunities in the industry and the training had been fit for purpose because that is the total essence of their training. In terms of been disconnected from the Institute, the answer is no because they hold the Institute high in regard and they realize that without the Institute they would not have been where they were so we have a strong alumni relationship with our graduates.

What about the major beneficiaries, I mean the oil companies with special focus on the IOC (International Oil Company's) are they, as part of their Cooperate Social Responsibility (CSR) looking at partnering with PTI?

Ans: Let me quickly say that yes, but they can do more, there have been a bit of support from the industry, but of course yes, we want a lot more.

As a pacesetter, is PTI developing new technologies to conform to the new trends in the industry?

Ans: Quite a lot. You will recall that the future of the industry is actually to move to renewable energy, that is, cleaner sources of energy not just the crude oil that we have now. So, we have a lot of research, in fact we have what we call "Research Clusters" that are looking at various aspects of the energy industry and what is trending, what are the things that are upcoming? We have a unit that is looking at various forms of energy including greener energy than what we have today. Also, we are looking at developing oil producing chemicals that are greener, that does not have harmful effect to the environment. Also, I must say this, you talk about environmental pollution and all that, a team here in the Institute have developed a product that when applied to a polluted soil can very rapidly remediate the soil faster than similar product available in the market today, this product was sponsored by the PTDF and we have that already and pumped into the market.

What is PTI's contribution in term of modular refinery in Niger Delta?

Ans: The PTI as you rightly noted is established to train and develop local capacity and technology that is needed in the oil and gas industry. What we do in terms of modular refinery is first to train and also conduct research and development. We have a functional R&D unit that is focused on developing local modular refineries and we have undertaken a lot of research, we have looked at various materials, various processes to ensure that the modular refinery fully works. Now, when you go to the entire Niger Delta you will see a lot of people refining or cooking the crude oil in a rather crude manner through artisan refinery. What we can do better is to take this Artisan refiners and train them in more environmentally friendly processes of refining because their activities do pollute a lot, so that at the end of the day everybody benefits. Therefore, we can train them, equip them so that we can actually benefit economically and also have positive impact on the economy.

About two years (2) ago, the office of the immediate past Vice President actually organised a conference where we looked at the possibility of integrating the artisan refinery to the main stream industry operations and I believe the government is still on that but here we have our team already and we are waiting for the policy to kick off.

What massage do you have for the people of Niger/Delta region?

Ans: The Niger Delta people are very wonderful; they have been very good hosts to the PTI and PTI today is what we are also because of the support that we have from the Niger Delta people. So, I look forward to a greater partnership and much more beneficient relationship between the Institute and the host communities and also to develop the Institute to become the preferred place for training in the oil and gas industry not only in Nigeria but the whole sub-Saharan Africa.

Representatives of US Consulate General Visit PTI, Seek Areas of Collaboration

Akaighe Lucky

In a bid to strengthen Socio-Economic and Political ties between the United State of America (USA) and the Federal Republic of Nigeria, the US Consulate General, Lagos Embassy paid a working visit recently to the Institute with a view to seek areas of collaboration between both countries.

Speaking during the visit, the US Consulate General who was represented by the US Consulate Diplomat Officer, Jordan Lochance stated that his team were on ground for an economic focused and industry- related discussion with the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) and to find out some of the issues faced in term of oil production, climate change policy, research and grant, Knowledge exchange, solar power, as well as other areas of partnership between the Institute and its sister agencies.

Responding, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry A. Adimula while appreciating the US Consulate for the visit, stated that the PTI for over 50 years of existence has consistently trained human capital for the nation's Oil and Gas industry.

He said the PTI was looking at areas of partnership with the Consulate and its focus was on energy transition and sustainability in line with current and future realities as well as in the area of research grants for staff and students, training and retraining, OTC Conference support for PTI, a renewable energy Centre (solar farm) among others.

The Principal and Chief Executive hinted that the Institute was exploring the possibility of setting up a centre for gas technology that would train manpower, meet zero level targets on gas flaring while also collaborating with the Nigeria Liquefied and Natural Gas Company (NLNG) and NNPC Limited to identify sources of clean energy.

Dr. Adimula further stated that the Institute has trained over 50 thousand technicians and technologists for the nation's Oil and gas industry since inception both at National and Higher National Diploma Level as well as other fit-for-purpose trainings.

The highpoint of the visit was the facility tour to the Rig and flow station led by the Principal and Chief Executive.

PTI Management team flanked by the US Consulate delegate

PTI Graduates 1st Batch of Fire Academy Trainees

By Onyinyechi Udemezue & Lucky Akaighe

In it's practical effort to remain the pacesetters in needed training in the oil and gas sector, the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) has graduated 22 out of the 26-pioneer batch of the Fire Academy personnel on fire-fighting.

It would be recalled that the PTI Fire Academy was inaugurated last October following the shortage of fire fighters and fire-fighting skills in the Oil and Gas Industry, across the Niger Delta region and Nigeria in general.

Speaking at the passing out parade of the successful 22 fire-fighters held at the Skills Development Centre (SDA), Osubi campus of the Institute, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr Henry Adimula, expressed optimism that the PTI Fire Academy would keep striving to achieve more milestones in the area of training and capacity building of fire fighters who can walk shoulder high with their colleagues across the globe.

Adimula said the successful passing out parade of the PTI Fire Academy trainees was a testimony of the preparedness and readiness of the PTI to maintain its status as the centre of excellence and the centre of training and capacity building in Nigeria in particular and Africa in general.

He commended the efforts of the coordinator of the PTI Fire Academy, Mrs. Mercy lrefo, for her doggedness, sustained vision, drive and for sustaining the momentum which have culminated in the successful training of the first batch of fire fighters.

In his words, "With this passing out parade we can now respond in case of any fire emergency. I am also glad to announce to you that PTI is now an international centre for training fire fighters.

"We are ready to make the PTI Fire Academy a resounding success story and we will continue to make all efforts as a corporate body at a speed to ensure that this dream and vision are sustained for the development of society".

The Chief Executive charged the successful graduating fire fighters to roll up their sleeves and take the profession seriously as they are qualified to work with the certificate acquired within and outside the country.

Earlier, the acting Director of the Skills Development Academy; Mr. A.A. Aremu represented by Coordinator, Entrepreneurship Centre, Mr Ejiro Enakughoton, urged the trainees to take advantage of the opportunity at their disposal in the sector.

The climax of the ceremony was the decoration of the successful graduates of the Academy with a fire brooch.

1,156 Bag PTI Diploma, Certificates At PTI Convocation Ceremony

...As PTI Honours Ovie of Uvwie, Others

Lucky Akaighe

The Leading oil and gas technological Institute across the Gulf of Guinea and Sub-Saharan Africa; the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) has produced a total of 1,156 graduates with diploma and certificates in the 2020/ 2021 academic session.

Disclosing this at the 2022 convocation ceremony, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry A. Adimula said the Institute was repositioned to become the nerve centre of training in the oil and gas industry in Africa.

Continuing Dr. Adimula said that 659 graduates were awarded National Diploma out of 1,156, while 501 were awarded with Higher National Diploma and 6 other graduates received the PTI General Welding Certificates.

Reeling out the awardees, Dr. Adimula asserted that '' he was delighted to mention that of the 1,156 graduates, 112 students graduated with Distinction while 380 graduated with ''upper credit''.

The principal went further to state that the PTI vision and mission anchored on competence and capacity, which distinguished the Institute as the Centre of Excellence for the development of human capacity in the operations of the oil and gas industry in Nigeria and beyond.

Meanwhile, the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) during the convocation ceremony honored HRM Dr. Emmanuel. E. Sideso (JP) Abe 1 OON, the Ovie of Uvwie Kingdom with a Special Royal Fathers' Award for his pivotal role, support and care as the principal host of the Institute for the 50 years of its existence in uvwie land.

Other recipients of the PTI award includes Engr. Simbi Wabote, Executive Secretary, Nigeria Content Development and Monitoring Board (NCDMB), Dr. Solomon I. Edebiri, Dr. Victor Ekpeyong, Engr. Chief Anthony Ikpea, Engr. Emmanuel Okudor as well as Engr. Austine Ovie Joseph.

In the same vein, the then Honorable Minister of State for Petroleum Resources, Chief Timpre Sylva, who was represented by the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum Resources, Ambassador Gabriel Tanimu Aduda in his message stated that PTI since inception in 1972 till date has delivered effectively on its core mandate of training competent technical and technological manpower for the oil and gas industry.

The Minister while congratulating the graduands reminded them that the knowledge, they have acquired has further equipped them to excel in the Petroleum Industry and beyond.

He pointed out that there were quite number of opportunities available in the industry and the vital skill they acquired in PTI was pivotal in actualizing the ever-evolving goals of the Nigerian oil and gas industry.

Concluding, the Minister extolled the Dr. Adimula led Management of PTI declaring that "The Management of the Institute has aligned itself with the agenda of the Petroleum Ministry through its research directorate and the Ministry has given the Institute the nod to research on the use of local materials in crude oil production, gas flare, commercialization as well as finding sustainable ways of increasing the nations domestic refining capacity in order to achieve its OPEC quota".

Humanitarian Services:

Mrs. Akinmoji Receives DRTV Award

Onyinyechi Udemezue

In recognition of her philanthropic services in the society, Mrs. Tracy Eguono Akinmoji of Petroleum Engineering and Geosciences (PEG) Department has joined other well-meaning Nigerians to receive the Delta Broadcasting Service Public Service Award on humanitarian services.

Mrs. Akinmoji in her spirited efforts to better the lives of the downtrodden in the society has empowered young ladies and women in various entrepreneurial skills as well as rendering support for the girl-child.

Tracy who is a coach, mentor and motivator with a vast support network system spanning over seven years, has pioneered various programs for female students and women ranging from medical supplies and medical bill payments.

Her mission and vision are to create, undertake, sustain and implement school feeding programmes and other charitable outreaches for young girls and women and to work with other bodies and individuals having the same or similar objectives in Nigeria and around the world.

FG Set to Reposition PTI As Hub for Oil and Gas Training In Africa

Onyinyechi Udemezue

The PRC team flanked by the PTI Management team at the PTI Flow station.

All is set for the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), the foremost oil and gas institution in Sub-Sahara Africa to realise its full potential as the Federal Government concludes plans for the repositioning of the Institute as the hub of training in the oil and gas industry in Africa.

Disclosing this recently, the Chairman, PTI Repositioning Committee (PRC) and Director Human Resources, Ministry of Petroleum Resources; Mrs. Adaji Asma'u Shehu, reiterated that the Federal Government was ready and fully committed to reposition the Institute and place it as the leading hub of oil and gas training school, not only for Nigeria but all of Africa.

Mrs. Adaji who led the members of the repositioning Committee on oversight visit to the Institute disclosed that, "We are in PTI to physically assess the facilities on ground, find out the needs of the Institute including funding to enable us make recommendations to the Federal Government".

It would be recalled that the Federal Government through the then Minister of State Petroleum Resources, Mr. Timipre Sylva, set up a Repositioning Committee tasked with the responsibilities of ensuring that PTI is repositioned to enable it to compete with similar training Institutes in the world in terms of service delivery and efficiency.

According to the Repositioning Committee Chairman; Mrs. Adaji, the whole aim of restructuring the Institute is to enable it to meet standard comparable with international best practices, to be able to provide the requisite manpower for the oil and gas industry, in line with the provision of the PTI Act.

"The main purpose of the visit is to physically assess the current state of the Institute to enable us proffer solutions to their challenges so as to make it a destination place for Manpower Training in Africa", she stated.

Mrs. Adaji pledged to ensure that the Committee would conclude its report and submit to government in order to expedite the implementation of the Committee's recommendation.

The PTI Principal and Chief Executive; Dr. Henry A. Adimula while playing host to the Committee, commended the Federal Government's efforts towards ensuring that the Institute becomes the best Petroleum Training Institute in the whole Africa. Adimula noted that the Institute Management had been making remarkable efforts to put the school on the part of growth within the available resources, adding that the Federal Government's intervention will accelerate the endeavour in that direction.

He described the PTI Repositioning Committee visit as a necessity because there is indeed the need to reposition the Institute in line with the Local Content Policy of the Federal Government of Nigeria.

The principal declared that, "The visit of the PTI Repositioning Committee, to the Institute is a major step undertaken to ascertain what we require to achieve the mandate of PTI becoming reference point of quality manpower training not just in Nigeria but in sub-Saharan Africa."

The PTI Chief Executive disclosed that the Institute had embarked on series of collaborations with professional bodies and organisations in order to enhance the delivery of its training services to international standard by proffering various courses for the Oil and Gas industry with international certifications.

The Principal cited courses offered such as the Dive Medics Training program (DMT) in collaboration with JFD through the partnership with SNEPCO and mediation of NCDMB. The course enables Dive Medics technicians to offer first line intervention to divers in case of accidents at off-shore platforms.

The Institute has also entered a partnership with Benel Energy to offer certification courses under the International Well Control Forum (IWCF). the Institute also offer courses on under water welding and cutting in its Offshore Technology and Energy Centre (OTEC) which amply testify to the Institute's readiness to efficiently and effectively deliver on its mandate when given the needed support by government.

Furthermore, the Principal and Chief Executive was pleased to inform the Committee that the Institute had already embarked on the training of the newly employed technical staff of the Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG) which further underscore the esteem the Nigeria oil and gas industry has for the quality of the Institute's training programme.

The guided tour led by the PTI Chief Executive saw the team visit the PTI Demonstration Rig, Flow Station, All Petroleum and Gas technological Laboratories, Refinery Simulators in Petroleum and Natural Gas Processing Department.

Other areas visited were workshops of Welding and Offshore Technology, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering; the PTI Fire Academy, Skill Development Academy amongst others.

The list of the members of the PTI Repositioning Committee who embarked on the facility tour visit includes Dr Munir Sirajo of PTDF, Engr. Sulaiman Sulaiman of NNPC Limited, Bello Ishola, Head PPPMC, Carol Ojukwu, Head, legal Department, Ministry of Petroleum Resources and Usman Dibal also of MPR, among others.

PTI academic staff trained on Subsea Engineering

By Onyinyechi Udemezue

Towards up-scaling and enhancing the skills of its staff, the Petroleum Training Institute's (PTI) management recently recorded a boost with the training of its academic personnel on Subsea Engineering.

The training, anchored by TechnipFMC, was aimed at exploring all the major aspects of processes, technologies and systems overview involved in subsea oil and gas production.

Subsea Engineering is a multidisciplinary field that is broadly responsible for the design, construction, installation and operation of offshore oil and gas fields and offshore wind farms.

Declaring the training open, PTI Principal, Dr. Henry Adimula, said the training was aimed at improving and upscaling the staff skills to enable them to participate in offshore business activities of the oil and gas industry.

"As you are aware, most activities in the upstream section of the oil sector are now moving offshore and as a service provider, you need to understand the technicalities and identify opportunities for the sector."

Adimula, represented by the Director of Science, Dr. Bamidele Oyetunde, restated that the institute will broker new fronts by continuously retraining its workforce on the latest technologies needed for the sector.

He added that though PTI is new in Subsea activities, assured that the Institute will be a hub for training in Subsea and its related activities in the nearest future.

He commended TechnipFMC for offering the training, stating that PTI management is delighted in working with the company.

Adimula also praised the efforts of the Institute's Head of Linkages, Exchange and Partnerships Unit, Dr. (Mrs.) Sarah Nwinee, for ensuring the success of the training.

On his part, the General Manager, Capacity Building Division of the Nigerian Content Development Monitoring Board (NCDMB), Dr. Ama Ikuru, charged the PTI staff to take the training seriously and make the best use of the programme to improve their skills and that of the Institute.

Also speaking, the Country Manager, TechnipFMC, Mr. Tayo Akinkunmi, disclosed that the TechnipFMC's global training programme was developed specially for everyone who is new to the subsea industry or wants to have a deeper basic knowledge about the offshore operations and equipment used in the global subsea industry.

While commending PTI Management for embarking on the training for its staff, Akinkunmi stated that TechnipFMC, being a global leader in energy, projects, technologies, systems and services, also provides clients with expertise across subsea and surface projects.

He assured the Institute's management that the staff trained will emerge with innovative ideas, smarter designs and seamless ways of working.

Nigeria Army Visits PTI, Seeks Capacity Development

Akaighe Lucky

In a bid to develop capacity and prepare officers for higher responsibilities in defending the territorial integrity of the nation, officers from the Nigeria Army School of Supply and Transport, Ugbowo, Benin-City, Edo State, paid an industrial visit to the Institute recently.

Receiving a high-powered delegation of the Military officers, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr Henry A. Adimula, that the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) was set up to train technicians and technologist for the nation's oil & gas industry and he was pleased to reveal that for 50yrs it had fared well in this regard, coupled with its state-of-the-art facilities which is second to none within the nation's tertiary space.

Dr. Adimula further said that aside training human capacity for the oil, gas and energy sector, the Institute has also been a pacesetter, pathfinder and a trailblazer in certifications required to strive in the industry.

Earlier, the leader of the delegation, Brigadier General Onyeari while thanking the PCE and his management team for accepting their proposal for the one-day industrial training, said the Army School of supply and transport were in the Institute to reconcile theory with with practice in order to be effective and efficient in the discharge of its duties as the premier school in the Nigeria Army.

Leader of the delegation, Brigadier General Onyeari presents a souvenir to the PCE, Dr. H.A. Adimula

The high point of the visit was the facility tour to the Rig, Flow Station, Petroleum Analysis Laboratory and other workshops led by the PTI Chief Executive.

PTI @50: Adimula Leads Others in Thanksgiving

Lucky Akaighe

As Part of activities to celebrate the Milestone achievement of the leading oil and gas technological Institute in Africa, the PTI; the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry Adimula led other worshippers in Thanksgivings to God for enabling the Institute celebrate it's 50 years of developing human capacity for the nation's oil and gas sector.

The Chief Executive in his message said "When we look back at where we were as individuals and as an Institute, we cannot but thank God for his grace, mercies, provisions and sustenance.

Dr. Adimula stated that more joyful was the fact that by divine providence, God made him the Principal and Chief Executive to steer the affairs of the Institute when the PTI was marking this milestone achievement.

He thanked the Christian community for their continuous prayers for the Institute while also appreciating the staff for their dedication and unalloyed support in the sustenance of the Institute.

Also speaking at the thanksgiving service held at the PTI Chapel, the President of the PTI Christian Fellowship, Mr. Dauda Yohanna in his welcome address said there was no better time than now to thank God for all the blessings he has bestowed on PTI.

Mr. Yohanna reminded the worshippers that the theme of the programme'' In Everything Give Thanks'' aligns to the milestone achievement of the Petroleum Training Institute in its 50 years of existence, hence the reason why we should not relent in prayers and thanksgiving for the Institute and our nation Nigeria.

Meanwhile, the guest preacher at the event, pastor Emmanuel Pius Gori in his message said'' Thanksgiving is a debt that we all owe God, hence, the need to consciously appreciate God for what he has done, and what he will do for us.

The Highpoint of the service was the prayer session for the Chief Executive, his Management team and the entire Institute for God continuous intervention in the affairs of PTI.

PTI, Clarke Energy Seek Areas of Collaboration in Gas Power & Energy Solutions.

Lucky Akaighe

As the world grapples with the transition of fossil fuel to renewable energy, the Management of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) Effurun and Clarke Energy are seeking areas of collaboration in 'Gas Power and Energy Solutions' in a bid to keep pace with the training requirements of the dynamic oil, gas and energy sector.

In an effort to kick-start the collaboration between both organizations, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry A. Adimula while receiving the team from Clarke Energy at the Institute recently declared that the PTI vision is to become the leading Oil and Gas technological Institute in Africa and its mission is to provide competent technological manpower via quality training, research and consultancy for the oil and gas and allied industries.

He reiterated that the Institute's experience puts her on a right pedestal to collaborate with the Clarke Energy in the area of Gas, Power and Energy Solutions.

Dr. Adimula who was represented by the Vice Principal, Engr. Dr. Samuel E. Onoji further stated that the need for exchange of Knowledge in solving power problems in the industry, curriculum enhancement in gas power, energy generation and staff internship were viable areas the Institute would be ready to collaborate so as to maintain its relevance as the foremost oil and gas Institute across the Gulf of Guinea and the sub-Saharan Africa.

Earlier in his remark, Mr. Rasheed Olomide, Head, Human Resources and Administration of Clarke Energy stated that PTI is a brand in the industry and was pleased with its performance at the just concluded Nigeria International Energy Summit (NIES) recently held in Abuja.

Mr. Rasheed Olomide declared that Clarke Energy is not just into oil and gas training, but has developed products used to service machines and provide gas power solutions and gas power manufacturing for companies and Institutions for over 20 years.

He also stated that one of the core competences of Clarke Energy was in engineering installation and maintenance of distributed power generation solutions as well as fixing faults such as gas leaks and power outages.

Rasheed also spoke on the area of enriching the Institute's curriculum through staff exchange programs that would allow both staff and students from PTI to have a comprehensive resource to support the engineering projects with capabilities in computer aided design, mechanical and electrical engineering.

The Clarke Energy according to him would be hosting a career summit in October this year from where they would select and hire excellent technicians and train them for fit-for-purpose tasks noting specifically the impact the graduates from the Petroleum Training Institute had made as organization's best when they first hosted the talent attraction programme in Yaba School of Technology, Lagos.

PTI Management and the Reps from Clarke Energy

PTI @ 50: Celebrating the present, redefining the future

Eddy Archibong

The Petroleum Training Institute Effurun was established in 1972 by an Act of Parliament No. 37 and amended by Act No 52 of 1975 and later by the PTI Act CAP 16 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to provide competent technological manpower through quality training, research and consultancy for the petroleum and allied industries. Prior to the establishment of PTI, Nigeria's oil and gas industry was dominated by foreign technicians. However, with its inception, PTI has since trained and graduated well over 50,000 superbly prepared graduates, thereby re-establishing Nigerian local content presence fossil in fuel development, production, and sustainability.

This year, PTI celebrates its remarkable 50th anniversary, its golden jubilee milestone. Now more than ever, is time to reflect on the auspicious moments and memories that make this notable institution so unique and special. As an industry leader, PTI has so much to offer and we invite you to join in the celebration as we review where PTI has been, where it is going and how bright a future lies on its expansive horizon.

While PTI's has evolved greatly since 1972, its core values have remained firm and unchanging: academic excellence, superior skill-based training and unwavering dedication to our students. We offer a rigorous program, historically known for its excellence in Petroleum Engineering, Safety and Environmental Studies, Gas processing, Welding and Offshore Technology, Mechanical, Electrical and Computer Science. We provide an all-encompassing foundation that challenges students to raise their personal bar and make valuable and lasting contributions to today's oil, gas, and allied industries.

Since 1975, PTI has discharged the awesome responsibility of providing outstanding training of skilled workers for all major refineries and petrochemical plants in Nigeria: Warri refinery and petrochemical company, Kaduna Refinery and petrochemical company, Eleme petrochemical company and the Port-Harcourt refinery. PTI continues to offer unmatched expert training based on individual and corporate requirements. Also, PTI has trained personnel from neighbouring countries like Benin, Ghana and Sao Tome and Principe.

Over the years, the Institute has also provided specialised training for and partnered with numerous international oil companies, including the Nigerian Liquified Natural gas company, Bonny LNG, National Agip Oil Company (NAOC), UNOPS, Shell, Osopadec, Hercules Offshore, Chevron, Brass LNG and other industry-specific businesses of sterling repute. PTI pioneered the contribution to the Federal Government Amnesty Programme in skill acquisition training for youths. Always on a quest to create opportunity, our proud Institute bridges our country's intra-industrial gap, shining a bright light on the potential inherent in Nigeria's manpower and effectively harnessing it to improve cost management, effect on-time delivery, and further our goal of achieving world-class status.

The fast pace of technological development as well as the constantly changing socio-political variables makes the Institute an imperative and compelling component to the development of the requisite skills for the efficient and effective operation in the oil and gas industry.

We have taken full advantage of the certification programs by evolving the Institute's programs to be a benchmark in such specialisations as Welding and Underwater Engineering, Safety Engineering, Drilling Technology, Mud Engineering and most recently Fire academy. Additionally, we have expanded our reach to include customised training for the workers of Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas, Hercules Offshore, AGIP, The Amnesty Project, the Petroleum Resources Ministry, UNOPS, and a host of others.

Our effective and purposeful training process has been critical to our success and plays an unequivocal role in shaping the future of our industry. For this reason, PTI is extremely well-positioned to align itself with governmental and international oil companies in pursuit of a sustainable economy.

Our students are trained in both part- and full-time programs, ultimately receiving NBTE accredited National Diploma and Higher National Diploma certificates and the Institute is fully prepared to partner with local and international bodies such as IWCF, NEBOSH, DMT and others to bolster its presence in the oil and gas industry. At PTI, we plan to redefine the future by capitalising on the benefits of our state-of-the-art equipment, which is second to none in the country and includes such facilities critical to the oil and gas industry as our demonstration rig and flow station, drilling simulators, a PVT Lab for reservoir fluid analysis, automated lathe machines, training compressors, a thermal fluid lab, scanning electron microscope machine, impregnation machine, Abem terametre, Drilling System simulator 6000, spot welding machines, x- welding machines, distribution control system, SCADA system and more. In short, PTI is prepared to pave the way in contributing to a competitive, profitable Nigerian economy.

Our qualified instructors possess global experience and expertise, and our expansive 720-acre campus is fit and ready for ongoing development. We continue to review our curriculum to ensure that it meets advancing industry standards and needs and we are heavily focused on transitioning from our current petroleum-based format to one more adapted to the uses of geothermal energy, carbon capture and sequestration technologies.

In the coming years, PTI will emphasise on personalised and ▶

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AGM: PTICMPCS Mgt. Committee gets 2nd tenure

Onyinyechi Udemezue & Oyakhilome Ososesele (IT)

In appreciation of a job well-done, dedication and efficiency in the past one year, the Management Committee of Petroleum Training Institute (PTI) Community Multi-Purpose Cooperative Society (PTTCMPCS) has been unanimously re-elected for another one year.

This unanimous decision was taken at its 22nd Annual General Meeting (AGM) held recently at the PTI Conference Centre, Effurun.

The Management Committee led by Mr. Kesiena Esiri, was commended for making the PTICMPCS one of the most viable cooperatives in Delta State.

Giving the commendation at the AGM, the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry Adimula noted that since the inception of the cooperative, it has helped to wean the staff from putting pressure on the Institute Management in terms of loans applications.

The Chief Executive who was represented by the Institute's Registrar, Mr. Isaac Fregene assured the PTIMPCS Management Committee that the Institute Management is solidly behind them in moving the society forward.

According to him, "I wish to assure you that I and my team are solidly behind you towards ensuring that the PTICMPCS turns out the best in Nigeria. In this your second tenure, guard the association jealously and leave no stone unturned".

On his part, the Chairman of the AGM, Mr. Aliyu Adamu while lauding the PTIMPCS Management Committee for diligently piloting the affairs of the society in the previous year described the cooperative as financial freedom to its members.

Mr. Aliyu who noted that every organisation has its challenges however called on all the cooperative members to join hands to ensure the association remain solid.

In his words, "I have presided over the PTICMPCS AGM for years and I must praise the members on their conduct despite all the challenges faced in the past. However, all hands must be on deck to tackle the challenges of the cooperative society and keep our flag flying".

Also speaking at the annual event, the Director of Cooperative, Ministry of Trade and Investment, Asaba, Mr. Igho Joseph Okotie described PTICMPCS as one of the most viable cooperatives in Delta State and advised that the members should continue to do their best to sustain the tempo.

He noted that the Management Committee of the PTICMPCS deserved every commendation accorded them for its result-oriented approach and commitment towards the rapid growth the cooperative society.

Earlier in his welcome address, the re-elected President of the PTICMPCS; Mr. Kesiena Henry Esiri said that the cooperative is on a solid foundation and that his team will work together to move the society forward by leaving it better than they met it.

He reaffirmed the desire of the Management Committee to meet the welfare needs and aspirations of its members while also urging members to adhere to the rules designed to ensure the cooperation thrives.

While expressing his gratitude for the opportunity given to him and his team to serve another year in the Management Committee, he announced that the Cooperative is financially sound and will continue to thrive for many more years to come.

The side attraction was a raffle draw where the co-operators won mouthwatering prizes with star prize won by Mr. Frank Eshegberi.

PTI Staff Tasked on Adapting to the Challenges in the Oil & Energy Sector

Oyakhilomi, Ososesele (IT) & Akande, Ayomide (IT)

The Management of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), has tasked its newly recruited staff on the need to adapting to the changes in the energy, oil and gas industry in order to remain relevant in the sector.

Speaking at a Two-Day Orientation programme for the staff, the Institute's Principal and Chief Executive urged them to run with the vision and mission of the foremost training institution in order to remain the leading oil, gas and energy technological Institute in Africa as well as a centre of excellence.

The Chief Executive also admonished the new employees to play their roles and apply themselves diligently to the service of the Institute in order for them to rise to the peak of their career.

On his part, the Institute Registrar, Mr. Isaac Fregene, said that the Institute Community is glad to have the new staff on its team and their unique contribution is also needed for the growth of the Institute.

The climax of the orientation was presentation of lectures from different Directorates, as well as the mental tour of the Institute.

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mentored learning, including industry-driven projects that will be overseen by industry experts to meet and exceed current academic and economic challenges. We are engaged in mutually beneficial conversations with renowned institutions and intend to participate in student and staff exchange programs in the field of our core mandate. We are rapidly moving toward enhanced professional and executive coursework, both in virtual and brick and mortar environment, as we proudly seek to provide the widest possible spectrum of practical, cutting-edge training and development.

With its glorious past, exciting present and promising future, PTI strives to become the gold standard in this much-utilised branch of the energy industry. We strongly encourage those interested in broadening their scope and knowledge base to contact us and discover the training and expertise available here and nowhere else. Join us in celebrating our golden jubilee. PTI: the future is bright indeed.

Golf Tourney and Novelty Football Match Held as Activities to Celebrate PTI @ 50

Lucky Akaighe

As Part of activities to commemorate the golden jubilee of the Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), for providing human capacity for the nation's oil and gas industry for 50 years, a golf tournament and Novelty Football were some of the activities that kick started the PTI @ 50 celebrations.

The Golf Tournament which was organized by the sports division of the Institute took place at the Shell Golf Club Ogunu Warri with a ceremonial TEE-OFF executed by the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry A. Adimula.

Dr. Adimula in his address stated the importance of sports and the impact it has on the individual health viz- a viz the effectiveness in improving productivity in the work environment.

The PCE promised to partner with well-meaning individuals as well as corporate organizations to move the Institute forward while also pledging to collaborate with the shell Golf Club Ogunu for corporate membership registration of staff of the Institute.

In another related development, a novelty football match between the PTI Staff football team and the PTI Alumni Association had a lot of fireworks as part of activities to celebrate PTI 50.

The Football match which took place at the call duty quarters of the Institute, witnessed the Principal and Chief Executive accompanied by his top management staff take the traditional match Kick- Off.

During the Keenly contested encounter between both teams, it was the PTI Alumni Team who dominated by scoring a goal in the first half before the PTI team drew level almost on the stroke of half time to end the first half on a goal apiece.

However, things took a different turn when the central referee having consulted with the captains of the team decided to go straight into penalty shoot- out when it was obvious a very heavy down pour was inevitable in order to determine a winner.

During the penalty shootout, the PTI Alumni team defeated the PTI staff football team by 4:2 to cart home the trophy which was presented to them by the Principal and Chief Executive, Dr. Henry A. Adimula.

Principal commissioning the renovated tennis courts | Principal and PTI Team Principal and NCDMB tennis team | Team PTI with the PTI Tennis Ambassador, Mrs. Mfon Otite-Douglas | Golf Tournament held to Celebrate PTI @ 50 PTI Team vs PTI Alumni Team

Dr. Adimula in his remarks, praised both team for the football artistry they displayed saying'' If not for the heavy down pour, we would have loved to see more intrigues and surprises in the contest.

The PCE Concluded by appreciating his management team, staff, students, the PTI Alumni National President as well as former players for Nigerian Eagles, Brentford, Watford, Reading and Senior special adviser to the Delta State Government on sports; Sam Okeymute and 2013 African Cup winner; Azubuike Egwekwe for gracing the ceremony.

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