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## ODELAN INAUGURAL CONFERENCE

### Conference Information Update 2

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**Theme: Global Spaces, Local Contexts: Digital Transformations and Innovations in Open, Distance and e-Learning (ODEL)**

**Venue: Babcock University, Ilisan-Remo, Ogun State, Nigeria**

**Date: May 1- 2, 2023 (Arrival, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023)**

Preparations are in top gear for the upcoming ODeLAN Inaugural Conference. This conference promises to be an exceptional, memorable experience. As we make preparations to welcome you to Babcock University, Nigeria's premier and best private university, situated in a serene, clean and crisp natural environment, please kindly take note of the following information:

**Change of Date:** The federal government recently confirmed that census will commence on May 3, 2023. In view of the confirmed commencement of the census, the conference will now hold from **May 1 - 2, 2023**.

**Arrival:** Arrival begins Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Pre Conference Workshop** will hold from 8.00am - 2.30pm, Monday, May 1, 2023.

**Conference Opening Ceremony** will hold Monday, May 1, 2023 from 3.30pm

**Registration:** Registration is **COMPUSLSORY** for all intending participants. All ODeLAN members intending to attend the conference **MUST** register for the conference.

Those whose abstracts have been accepted **MUST** register for the conference. Submission of abstract is NOT equal to Registration.

Conference registration link is <https://codel.babcock.edu.ng/odelan>

**Extension of Registration** - Submission of Abstracts and Registration has been extended till **April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Payment:** Registration fee **does not** apply to **all ODeLAN financial members**. (However, registration using the link is required).

**N25, 000** registration fee applies to **non-ODELAN** members.

The sponsorship for ODeLAN members and N25, 000 for non-ODELAN members covers registration materials, attendance of sessions, refreshment break and lunch **only from May 1-2, 2023**.

**Accommodation:** There are three (3) categories of accommodation available for this conference:

(1) Babcock Guest House (BGH):

Guest Room	@ - N20, 000.00
Twin Room (2 beds in a room)	@ - N32, 000.00
Junior Deluxe	@ - N28, 000.00
Senior Deluxe	@ - N39, 000.00
Kings Deluxe Suite (2 bedrooms)	@ - N65, 000.00

(2) Other Guest Houses ON CAMPUS

- (i). BU HIGH SCHOOL Guest House @ - N6,000.00
- (ii) PIONEER GUEST HOUSE @ - N 8,000

Other Guest Houses in Ilisan Town

(3) (iii). HAVILLA GUEST HOUSE

Deluxe Room	@ - N12, 000.00
Standard Room	@ - N15, 000.00
Executive Room	@ - N20, 000.00
Suite	@ - N25, 000.00

Please contact the Conference Logistics Coordinator, Mr. Odunayo Aluko (+234 9153837400); [alukoo@babcock.edu.ng](mailto:alukoo@babcock.edu.ng) ) with your choice and questions on accommodation. It is advisable you send a WhatsApp message in the first instance. Note that accommodation on campus is limited and will be on first come, first served basis.

**Pre- Conference Workshop:** Pre-Conference Workshop themed **Research in ODeL: Theories, Approaches and Methods** is organized by The Regional Training and Research Institute for Distance and Open Learning (RETRIDOL). The Pre-Conference Workshop which takes place on **Monday May 2, 2023** accommodates **ONLY THE FIRST 150 Pre-Conference Workshop Registered Participants** on a first come first served basis. Participants willing to attend the Pre- Conference Workshop are required to register SEPARATELY for the Workshop using <https://forms.gle/h6zGt1UcclDMH9Hd9>

**Conference Opening Ceremony:** The opening ceremony for the conference is planned for **Monday, May 1, 2023**, at 3.30pm. Colleagues and members of the public are cordially invited.

**Conference Keynote Addresses and Lead Paper Presentation:** The confirmed keynote and Lead speakers are:

1. Prof. Olufemi Peters, Vice Chancellor, National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN); (Keynote)
2. Dr. Abiodun Aibinu, Vice Chancellor, Summit University, Offa, Kwara State; (Lead Paper)
3. Dr. Ruth Aluko, President, National Distance Education Association of South Africa (NADEOSA), Pretoria, South Africa. (Lead Paper)

**Tech Fair:** A wide array of Tech industries, particularly those who offer Educational Technology services will be participating in the tech fair. Participants can interact with Tech industries and forge partnerships and collaborations to advance ODeL. Feel free to inform Tech industries to contact LOC for more information.

**Conference Special Guests:** Distinguished personalities, prominent government officials, Heads of Higher Education Institutions and Associations, CEOs of IT and Communication Industries will grace the occasion. More details will follow.

**Conference Dinner and Award Ceremony:** Conference Dinner in an inspiring atmosphere of ingenious creativity, pageantry and aesthetics is scheduled for **Monday, May 1, 2023, at 7.00pm**. More information on Dinner and Award Ceremony will be circulated soon.

**ODeLAN AGM:** AGM will hold Tuesday May 2, 2023. Only financial ODeLAN members are eligible to participate. Critical decisions affecting the association and election will take place at the AGM.

**Roundtables:** Roundtables featuring ICT industries related to Educational Technologies and ODeL practice will be featured. More detailed information soon.

**Presentation Mode:** Smartboards and projectors are available for PowerPoint or other visual presentations.

**Publication of papers:** We affirm that we have every plan in place for quality conference papers to be published with highly reputable publishers after post-conference review and re-submission.

**Paper Submission:** PowerPoints of presentations and /or full papers are expected on or before the **April 15, 2023**. For publication consideration, **corrected of full papers** are expected latest **May 30, 2023**, for reviews to commence. All papers must be original, with a 6,000-8,000 word count, and follow the APA Style of referencing.

**Security:** Babcock University is situated in a serene, safe and secure environment, and the security of all conference participants is assured. We have also put in place additional security measures for the duration of the conference and have left no stone unturned to guarantee that your stay is completely hitch-free in this regard.

**Conference Website:** Please visit the conference website for regular updates and information, at: <https://odel.babcock.edu.ng/odelan>

For all enquiries, our email is [odelanconference2023@gmail.com](mailto:odelanconference2023@gmail.com)

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