

AIG-IMOUKHUEDE FOUNDATION

NEWSLETTER

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Notes from the Executive Vice-Chair

Welcome to the November edition of our newsletter.

This has been a very busy month for us at the Foundation. We signed a tripartite agreement with the Edo State Government and the Private Sector Health Alliance of Nigeria (PSHAN) to kick off the revitalisation of 18 Primary Healthcare Centres (PHCs) in the state under the Adopt-A-Healthcare-Facility Programme (ADHFP), a significant step to enhancing access to affordable, high-quality healthcare in Edo.

The residential week for our AIG Public Leaders Programme held this month with sixty-eight senior public servants in attendance.

Our Chairman, Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede CFR, was a panelist at the 2023 Cabinet Retreat for Ministers, Presidential Aides, Permanent Secretaries, and other top government functionaries. He also served as a keynote speaker at the African Philanthropy Forum, highlighting the transformative potential of impact-focused giving in shaping the future of philanthropy in Africa.

You can read more about these and other updates in this newsletter.

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Executive Vice-Chair

FEATURES

Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation, PSHAN Partner Edo State Government to Drive ADHFP Initiative



We are pleased to announce a momentous step forward in our ongoing commitment to revitalising healthcare facilities in Nigeria. Representatives from the Foundation and the Private Sector Health Alliance of Nigeria (PSHAN) recently convened at the Edo State Government House for the signing ceremony of a tripartite Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to establish 18 state-of-the-art primary healthcare centres in the state.

This transformative initiative seeks to equip the adopted healthcare facilities with essential medical infrastructure, well-trained personnel, and pharmaceutical supplies. The commitment extends over a period of five years, ensuring the provision of comprehensive and high-quality healthcare services to the communities these facilities serve.

The ceremony was graced by distinguished dignitaries, including the Edo State Governor, ably represented by the Secretary to the State Government of Edo State, Osarodion Ogie Esq, the Edo State Commissioner for Health, Dr Samuel Alli, the Executive Secretary of the Edo State Primary Healthcare Development Agency, Dr Omosigho Izedonmwen and other senior public health officials.

Through this collaborative effort, we aspire to significantly impact healthcare accessibility and quality, contributing to the overall well-being of the communities in Edo State. Please click here to see coverage of the ceremony.

2023/2024 AIG Public Leaders Programme Residential Week



The residential week of the 2023/2024 class of the AIG Public Leaders Programme (PLP), our executive education programme designed to empower high-potential African public servants, held in Abuja this month.

From leadership principles to cutting-edge policy analysis, the transformative week-long in-class session delivered in partnership with the Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford, had a curriculum carefully curated to equip senior public sector leaders with the skills and knowledge they need to be effective in their roles.

Special in-conversation sessions were held featuring experts in the field of public policy and governance, including Dr. Joe Abah, Country Director at DAI and former Director-General, Bureau of Public Service Reforms; Mr Andrew David Adejo, Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education; Professor Tunji Olaopa, incoming Chairman, Federal Civil Service Commission; and Professor Bolaji Owasanoye SAN, Chairman, Independent Corrupt Practices Commission. Additionally, Mr. Bode Agoro, the Head of Civil Service for Lagos State, who graced the programme with his presence, shared invaluable advice with the class.

Programme participants have now returned to their various ministries, departments and agencies where they will implement a change project using the learnings they have gained from the programme.

Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede, CFR Participates in 2023 Cabinet Retreat Discussions



Our Chairman, Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede, participated in a panel discussion on the critical topic of Improved Governance for Effective Service Delivery', at the 2023 Cabinet Retreat in Abuja. The retreat was a gathering of Ministers, Presidential Aides, Permanent Secretaries, and other top government functionaries, providing a unique platform for collaborative dialogue and strategic planning. During the session, Aigboje emphasised the need for innovative solutions, transparency, and collaboration in governmental processes.

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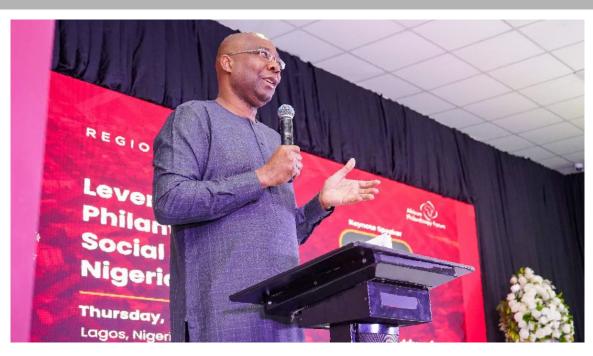
Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation Visits the New Minister of Health, Professor Muhammad Ali Pate



This month, our Chairman led a delegation on a courtesy visit to the Minister of Health, Professor Muhammad Ali Pate. During the visit, the delegation shared the work of the Foundation, as well as collaborative initiatives with the Nigeria Solidarity Support Fund (NSSF) and the Private Sector Health Alliance of Nigeria (PSHAN).

One of the focal points of the discussion was the commitment of the Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation to supporting the objectives of the Ministry of Health to achieve better health outcomes for all Nigerians.

Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede Champions Impact-Focused Giving at the African Philanthropy Forum Regional Convening



The African Philanthropy Forum, a community of partners who through their strategic giving, investments and influence, foster shared prosperity on the African continent, held a regional convening of key players in the philanthropic community aimed at creating awareness about the potential of local philanthropy to transform the giving landscape in Nigeria.

Our Chairman delivered a compelling keynote address at the forum, where he passionately articulated the vision for empowering the future of philanthropy across the continent through impact-focused giving. His insights were rooted in the belief that philanthropists hold a unique responsibility, not only to make a difference, but to strategically chart the course of their giving for a transcendent and enduring impact.

One of the key highlights of his keynote was the call for philanthropists to actively engage in shaping policy formulation and governance processes, as this can contribute to creating environments conducive to transformative and purpose-driven futures for Africans.

We are also pleased to announce that we are now part of the African Philanthropy Forum community.

Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation Podcast



The maiden edition of the Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation podcast will launch in December 2023. Our podcast will immerse you in insightful conversations, compelling narratives, and impactful initiatives with distinguished industry leaders, change-makers, and experts actively shaping Africa's public sector landscape.

For exclusive updates, behind-the-scenes previews, and additional content on our podcast, follow us on social media on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>X</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

2023/2024 AIG Public Leaders Programme Participant, Dr Deborah Bako Odo, appointed Permanent Secretary



Dr Deborah Bako Odoh, a current participant in our AIG Public Leaders Programme, has been appointed as a **Permanent Secretary**. This significant achievement is a testament to her dedication, leadership, and outstanding contributions to public service.

Before her current appointment, Dr Deborah Odoh served in various capacities in the civil service, including Deputy Director of the Occupational Health, Safety & Environment Division in the Office of the Head of Civil Service of the Federation. Her diverse experiences have honed her expertise and equipped her with the skills necessary for effective leadership.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Deborah Bako Odoh on this remarkable achievement.

ALUMNI UPDATE

Yetunde Ope-Faniran is an Assistant Chief Superintendent in the Operations Department of the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) and an AIG Public Leaders Programme (PLP) alumni.

Yetunde applied to the PLP in anticipation of a transformative experience that would elevate her leadership capabilities and contribute significantly to her journey as a public leader in Nigeria.

"My PLP experience was truly amazing. Through engaging sessions and presentations, invaluable insights on integrity, digitalisation, and governance were shared, especially in these challenging times. The programme exposed me to the complexities of public leadership and the critical role that integrity plays in upholding the public's trust. The sessions on digitalisation were particularly enlightening. They highlighted how technology can be harnessed to improve governance, enhance transparency, and streamline public service delivery. These lessons are especially pertinent in our fast-paced world, where staying up to date with technological advancements is crucial for effective leadership."

PLP participants are required to undertake a capstone project within their respective organisations, applying the knowledge gained during the programme. Yetunde's capstone project focused on managing data related to assets recovered by ICPC as proceeds of crime. Utilising the 'Theory of Change,' a key learning from the PLP, the project aimed to revolutionise record-keeping practices through digitalisation, streamlining the documentation and management of both cash and non-cash assets. The ultimate goal was to enhance efficiency, transparency, and accountability within the organisation, setting a new standard for asset management within ICPC.

The project, which has been successfully concluded and implemented, entailed Stakeholder Engagement (vertically and horizontally), communication at the micro-level across all units, demystifying the use of ICTs, allaying fears regarding possible workload increase, utilisation of free cloud-based solutions and continuous monitoring and evaluation of the outcomes for improvement, where necessary.

The impact of Yetunde's project on ICPC has been **significant, improving efficiency, transparency, and accountability** in asset recovery and management procedures. The real-time availability of data has enhanced decision-making processes and contributed to more effective governance within the organisation.

Employee Spotlight



Abdul-Razaq Balogun - Executive Assistant to the Executive Vice Chair

Please share your educational and professional background:

I earned my Bachelor's degree in Politics and International Relations from Lancaster University, Ghana. I am currently pursuing an online Master's degree in International Relations at Liverpool John Moores University. My career in the development sector started with an internship with the Richardson Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, where I collaborated with a small team on research related to conflict prevention and resolution in Ghana. Prior to joining the Foundation earlier this year, I worked as a Senior Associate at DAWN Commission in Ibadan where I provided technical and operational support towards the actualization of the DAWN Strategy Roadmap.

What inspired you to pursue a career in the development sector?

I would simply say a commitment to social justice. I have always been interested in contributing to the socio-economic development of Africa, particularly in areas such as good governance, education and healthcare. A module I enrolled in during my undergraduate studies titled "The Politics of Development" cemented my desire to collaborate with the government to design and implement policies that address critical issues in these areas.

What do you do at the Foundation?

I serve as the Executive Assistant to the Executive Vice Chair.

What does your typical day look like?

Managing the EVC's calendar and coordinating various internal and external meetings. These include preparing agendas, documents, and presentations for meetings, taking minutes, and following up on action items. I also handle communication with internal and

external stakeholders on behalf of the EVC. In addition, I work on special projects, initiatives, or events as assigned by the EVC.

• What makes the work that we do at the Foundation unique?

The fact that we are an "African" non-profit organization collaborating with key stakeholders in government, the private sector, and academia to transform public service delivery and increase access to quality primary healthcare. Not many nonprofits around the world do this, not least those operating in Africa.

What do you find most rewarding about your work?

I would say being able to contribute to the transformation of the Nigerian civil service and ultimately improving the living standards of Nigerians. Seeing tangible results of our programmes such as the digitalisation of work processes in the OHCSF fills me with pride.

AFFILIATE UPDATE

Highlights of the PSHAN Annual Gala



We are still reeling from the entertaining and inspiring time we had at the PSHAN Annual Gala and Awards Night where we honoured those who have made significant contributions to the healthcare sector.

The PSHAN Annual Gala and Awards Night is more than a celebration; it's a call to action, an inspiration to continue advancing healthcare for the benefit of all. From groundbreaking medical innovations to compassionate patient care, the night was a tribute to those who have elevated the standards of health and wellness across the nation. Click here to watch highlights of the PSHAN Annual Gala.



WE ARE HIRING

Memberships & Partnerships Officer

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree in Business, Marketing, Communications, or related field.
- Proven experience in membership management and partnership development.
- Demonstrated success in securing sponsorships for events or initiatives.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a dynamic environment.



Interested candidates should submit their resume and a cover letter outlining their relevant experience to communications@pshan.org by Friday 10th December, 2023.



The duties and responsibilities of the Memberships and Partnerships Officer include but are not limited to the following:

- Coordinating membership events and activities to foster a sense of community.
- Researching and identifying potential partners aligned with PSHAN's goals.
- Driving sponsorship initiatives to support PSHAN programs and projects.
- Communicating PSHAN's mission and impact effectively to potential partners.
- Collaborating with the communications team to highlight sponsorship successes.
- Maintaining accurate records of memberships and partnerships.
- Generating regular reports on sponsorship activities and outcomes.

Interested and qualified candidates should click here for more information.

Deadline for submissions: Friday 10th December, 2023

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