

Press release

Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation Opens Applications for the 2023-24 AIG Scholarships

[Lagos, Nigeria – 01 August 2022] The Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation, invites applications for the seventh round of AIG Scholarships, which offers an exciting opportunity for exceptional Nigerians currently working in the Nigerian public sector to attend the University of Oxford for one year and undertake a Master's in Public Policy degree.

The AIG Scholarships were launched in 2017 and since then, twenty-nine scholarships worth over £50,000 each have been awarded to an outstanding group of young people, who working to drive change and make a positive difference in the country.

Announcing the opening of the scholarship applications, Chairman of the Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation, Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede said, "At the Foundation, we are committed to improving public service delivery in Nigeria because we believe that an efficient public sector will enable the growth and development of the country, and lead to better lives for all Nigerians. Part of this process is ensuring the right people are present in the public sector and so since 2017, we have been committing substantial resources to building a critical mass of transformational public sector leaders and equipping them with the skills and knowledge they need to drive change."

Ofovwe Aig-Imoukhuede, Executive Vice-Chair of the Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation said that applicants can expect to undergo a rigorous selection process, which will ensure that only the best candidates are selected. "Successful candidates will spend a year at the University of Oxford, learning from an outstanding academic faculty and expert practitioners, and interacting with other public sector leaders from around the world. We expect that after the programme, AIG scholars will return home and use their learnings to build a better public sector and contribute to the development of the nation."

The AIG Scholarships are delivered under a partnership between the Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation and the Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford, and are fully funded by The Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation.

Applications are welcome from Nigerian civil servants aged 25 to 45 with solid intellectual capacity, demonstrable leadership qualities, and a passion for restoring excellence in the Nigerian public sector .

Full eligibility criteria and how to apply are available on the AIG website <u>www.aigafrica.org</u>.

The application window closes on 9th September 2022.

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ABOUT THE AIG-IMOUKHUEDE FOUNDATION

The Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation is a public sector-focused philanthropic organization, founded by Aigboje and Ofovwe Aig-Imoukhuede to improve the lives of Africans through transformed public service delivery and access to quality primary healthcare.

The Aig-Imoukhuede Foundation accomplishes its mission by supporting the reform initiatives of public sector entities, providing financing, consulting support, and capacity-building programmes and resources for the public sector workforce. The Foundation provides funding and strategic support to drive the work of affiliate organizations such as ABC Health, the private Sector Health Alliance of Nigeria (PSHAN), the Nigerian Solidarity Support Fund (NSSF) and others.

For more information, please visit https://aigimoukhuedefoundation.org