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UNIMED, ONDO GETS NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR

Following the expiration of the tenure of Professor Adesegun Fatusi as the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo, the Visitor to the University, Hon. (Dr) Lucky Orimisan Aiyedatiwa, has approved the appointment of Prof. Ebuoluwa Aderonke Adejuyigbe as the new Vice-Chancellor of the University.

Adejuyigbe, a Professor of Paediatrics, hails from Akoko North East local government area of the State. She is the current Executive Director of the Central Office of Research at the Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU), Ile-Ife and a Consultant Paediatrician at the Obafemi Awolowo University Teaching Hospital. She is a Fellow of the Nigerian Academy of Medicine, former Dean of the Faculty of Clinical Sciences, OAU and is the Vice-President of the African Society of Paediatric Infectious Diseases and Co-Chair of the National Child Health Technical Working Committee.



The appointment of Prof. Adejuyigbe was based on the recommendation of the Governing Council of the institution.

Meanwhile, the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Administration and Clinical Services, Prof. Adolphus Odogun Loto, is to take charge as the Acting Vice Chancellor pending the assumption of office of the newly appointed VC.

FROM THE EDITOR

The only constant thing in life is change. An era ended on the 9th of March, 2025 with the expiration of the tenure of office of Professor Adesegun Fatusi as the Vice-Chancellor of UNIMED and a new one will commence soon with Professor Ebuoluwa Adejuyigbe as the 3rd Substantive Vice-Chancellor. Pending the assumption of office by the new Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adolphus Odogun Loto, the DVC (Administration and Clinical Services) has been appointed as the Acting Vice-Chancellor by the Governor, Hon. (Dr). Lucky Orimisan Aiyedatiwa. Read the details in this edition of UNIMED Weekly. Professor Adesegun Fatusi's reign of excellence was recognised, celebrated and rewarded by all and sundry. The celebration of his remarkable achievements reached the peak with the entire Ondo Kingdom standing still for him on Saturday, 8th March, 2025. The celebrations are chronicled in this edition of our newsletter.

In the midst of celebrations, academic activities did not stop. The University had its 10th Matriculation ceremony, with over 1000 matriculants, the highest number in the history of the institution.

Mr. Martins Oloja delivered the University's 11th Distinguished Lecture - a thought-provoking lecture aimed at triggering national development in the midst of economic challenges.

Dr Agbaje's Thought of the Week is as refreshing as ever. It is a motivational tonic that will last you throughout the week.

UNIMED Weekly is the best way to begin your week. Enjoy it and stay abreast of the goings-on in the University.



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PROFESSOR ADOLPHUS LOTO APPOINTED UNIMED ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR

...Assumes office on Monday, 10th March, 2025

Governor Lucky Aiyedatiwa has directed that Professor Adolphus Odogun Loto takes charge of the administration of the University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo; pending the assumption of office of the newly appointed Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ebunoluwa Adejuyigbe.

This development has come on the heels of the expiration of tenure of the office of the second substantive Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Adesegun Fatusi, .



on Sunday, 9th March, 2025 Prof. Loto studied Dentistry at the College of Medicine, University of Lagos and he specialises in Restorative Dentistry. He is a Fellow of West African College of Surgeons (FWACS). He is also a Fellow of the National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria.

ONDO COMMUNITY CELEBRATES UNIMED VC, FATUSI, IN GRAND STYLE AFTER COMPLETION OF TENURE

The Ondo Community led by the Osemawe, His Imperial Majesty and the Paramount Ruler of Ondo Kingdom, Oba (Dr) Victor Adesimbo Kiladejo, Jilo III, CFR rolled out drums to celebrate the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo after the completion of his tenure on Saturday, 8th March, 2025.

Oba Kiladejo, who described Fatusi as a "Prince" of the Ondo Kingdom, said "Professor Adesegun Fatusi has left indelible footprints in the sand of time with the unprecedented achievements the University recorded under his watch". He added that "history and posterity will never forget him as nobody can erase his remarkable accomplishments".

The Governor of Ondo State, Hon. (Dr) Lucky Orimisan Aiyedatiwa, represented by his Special Adviser on Health, Professor Simidele Odimayo corroborated the position of the Osemawe by saying that "Professor Fatusi has been exceptional and as a "Prince" of the Palace, your services will still be required even after leaving".

Former Governor Olusegun Mimiko, the pioneer visitor of UNIMED, who established the University in 2014 said "the University couldn't have had a better Vice-Chancellor than Fatusi". He described him as "calm and innovative". He then added that "Adesegun Fatusi is one man I am ready to go to war with based on his remarkable achievements and honesty of purpose at all times".

The event, which attracted eminent personalities from government, academia, business world, industry, faith-based institutions, among others, was a fitting way to celebrate a leader whose mark as the Vice-Chancellor of UNIMED will remain evergreen because of his remarkable accomplishments.



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

ADESEGUN FATUSI ALUMNI RESEARCH GRANT

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

✚ Must be a first or second-class upper graduate of UNIMED, Ondo, Ondo State.

✚ Must be currently pursuing a postgraduate programme (M.Sc or Ph.D) in any course within the University.

✚ M.Sc student applicants must be in their first year of the programme.

✚ Ph.D student applicants must have graduated with at least a Ph.D. grade during their M.Sc. programme, which must have been undertaken in UNIMED.

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- ✓ Ph.D. applicants must have earned a Ph.D. grade in their UNIMED M.Sc. program.

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UNIMED MATRICULATES NEW ENTRANTS

University of Medical Sciences, Ondo (UNIMED) has matriculated over 1,000 students recently admitted into the 10th fully accredited academic programmes of the University for the 2024/2025 academic session.

The Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Adesegun Fatusi, who presided over the matriculation ceremony, congratulated the matriculants for successfully passing through the rigours of examination and screening exercise before they were found qualified for admission out of thousands of candidates that subscribed to the University.

According to him, UNIMED is the Nigeria first medical university and one of the best sought after universities in the country, owing to its high level of morality, academic excellence and quality of its graduates who have made their marks in their various chosen careers across the globe.

The Vice-Chancellor said the matriculation is the 10th edition for the University and the last he will be presiding over as the Vice-Chancellor as his tenure ends this week.

He specially congratulated the matriculants for being the largest in the history of the University.

"We have admitted over 1000 students; the largest in the history of the university. I wish you all the best in your academic.

"Every year millions of students slog it out for admission into various universities in Nigeria, but here you are today with an opportunity to be a UNIMED student. So the door has been opened to you all; now you have the opportunity to grow yourselves in all areas." He urged the newly admitted students to set goals for themselves and monitor the goals and be creative.

Professor Fatusi, however, advised the fresh students to live up to the matriculation oaths they took earlier, by shunning all acts of misconducts, such as membership

of unregistered associations, indecent dressing, rape, examination malpractices, drug abuse and other social vices.

While emphasising this, he stated that "University of Medical Sciences under my leadership has zero tolerance for any form of infractions or breach of the rules and regulations, as appropriate sanctions are always placed on whoever flouts the matriculation oath".

He, therefore, used the occasion to appreciate the Governor of Ondo State, Hon. Lucky Aiyedatiwa, for providing an enabling environment for quality teaching and learning



TECHNOLOGY IS THE FUTURE OF FUNCTIONAL EDUCATION

...As Chief Steve and Chief Stella Akinretoyedonate ICT Centre to UNIMED

The consensus of scholars, industrialists, educationists and business moguls at the donation of an ICT Centre to the University of Medical Sciences (UNIMED), Ondo on Saturday, 8th March, 2025 at the main campus of the institution was that technology is the future of functional education. Speaking at the event, the donor, Chief Steve Akinretoyed, a philanthropist and Chairman of the UNIMED Advancement Foundation submitted that "no institution of learning can be globally relevant without Information and Communication Technology (ICT)". He added that "technology is the future of functional education that will make learners become global citizens". He then went further to say that "This ICT Centre will not only

cater for the needs of UNIMED students but will benefit other people in Ondo State at large". The Governor, Hon. (Dr) Orimisan Aiyedatiwa, represented by his Senior Adviser on Health, Professor Simidele Odimayo, heaped praises on the donor for his thoughtfulness and selfless service to humanity. He also commended the Vice-Chancellor for his exemplary leadership that has placed the University on the global map and pledged the continued support of government to the growth of the institution. The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adesegun Fatusi appreciated Chief Akinretoyed for the donation and solicited support for the incoming Vice-Chancellor.



In his words "I want to sincerely appreciate Chief Steve Akinretoyed for the donation of this ICT Centre to the University.

It's a testament to the support of Ondo Kingdom for the growth of UNIMED. I would like to encourage other well-meaning Ondo indigenes to continue this tradition of helping the institution with their donations".

The foundation for Chief Steve and Stella Akinretoyed ICT Centre was laid by Osemawe, His Imperial Majesty and Paramount Ruler of Ondo Kingdom, Oba (Dr) Victor Adesimbo Kiladejo, Jilo III, CFR.



SOME NEWS LINKS TO THE HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

<https://betareports.com/chief-steve-and-chief-mrs-stella-akinretoyedonates-ict-centre-to-unimed-says-technology-is-the-future-of-functional-education/>

Technology is future of functional education
<https://www.optimaltimesnews.com/2025/03/09/technology-is-future-of-functional-education/>

OSEMAWE, ONDO KINGDOM CELEBRATE OUTGOING UNIMED VC, FATUSI, IN GRAND STYLE

<https://sunshinetruthng.com/2025/03/09/osemawe-ondo-kingdom-celebrates-outgoing-unimed-vc-fatusi-in-grand-style/>

Ondo community celebrates outgoing UNIMED VC

<https://www.thehopenewspaper.com/ondo-community-celebrates-outgoing-unimed-vc/>

<https://thesun.ng/unimed-ondo-gets-new-vice-chancellor/>

UNIMED Gets New Vice-chancellor

<https://citymirrornews.com/news/2025/07/unimed-gets-new-vice-chancellor/>

UNIMED, Ondo gets new VC

<https://www.optimaltimesnews.com/2025/03/07/unimed-ondo-gets-new-vc/>

WORDS ON THE MARBLE

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"The University couldn't have had a better Vice-Chancellor than Fatusi... Adesegun Fatusi is one man I am ready to go to war with based on his remarkable achievements and honesty of purpose at all times".

– **Dr Olusegun Mimiko (Governor of Ondo State between 2009 and 2017 and the visionary leader who established UNIMED)**

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK WITH DR. DAVID O. AGBAJE

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**Success is not about being better than anyone else;
it's about being better than you were yesterday.**

- Lewis Howes

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MEANING:

This inspiring quote by Lewis Howes, an author, entrepreneur, internet celebrity, podcaster, former professional football player, and host of The School of Greatness, conveys a profound message about redefining success. It emphasizes that true success isn't measured by comparing ourselves to others but rather by focusing on our own personal growth and improvement.

The essence of the quote encourages us to set personal goals, strive for progress, and celebrate our achievements—no matter how small. It highlights the value of self-reflection and continuous development; by being better than we were yesterday, we become more fulfilled and equipped to pursue our aspirations.

This mindset fosters a sense of inner peace and positivity, allowing us to appreciate our unique journey without the pressure of competition. It's a wonderful reminder that each day is an opportunity to grow, learn, and evolve towards the best version of ourselves! So let's keep moving forward with hope and determination!



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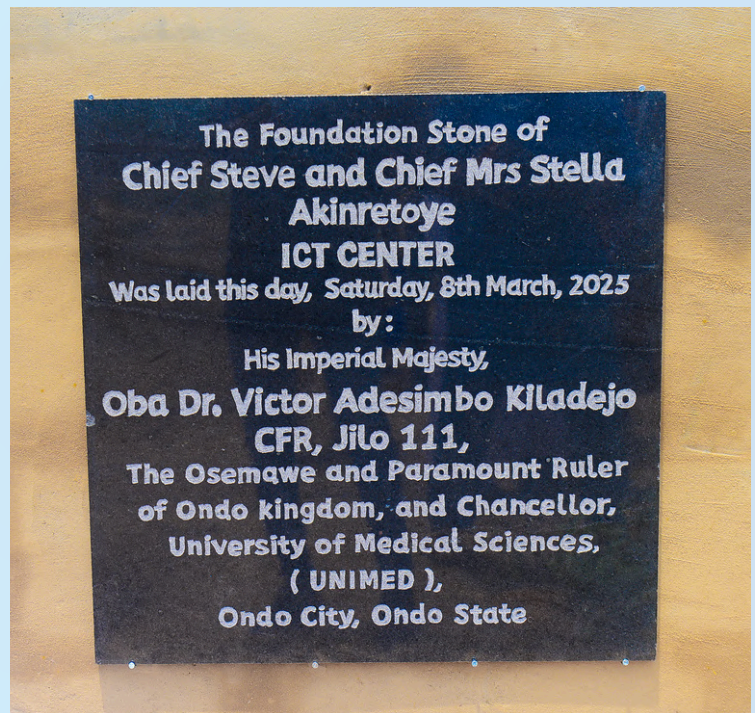


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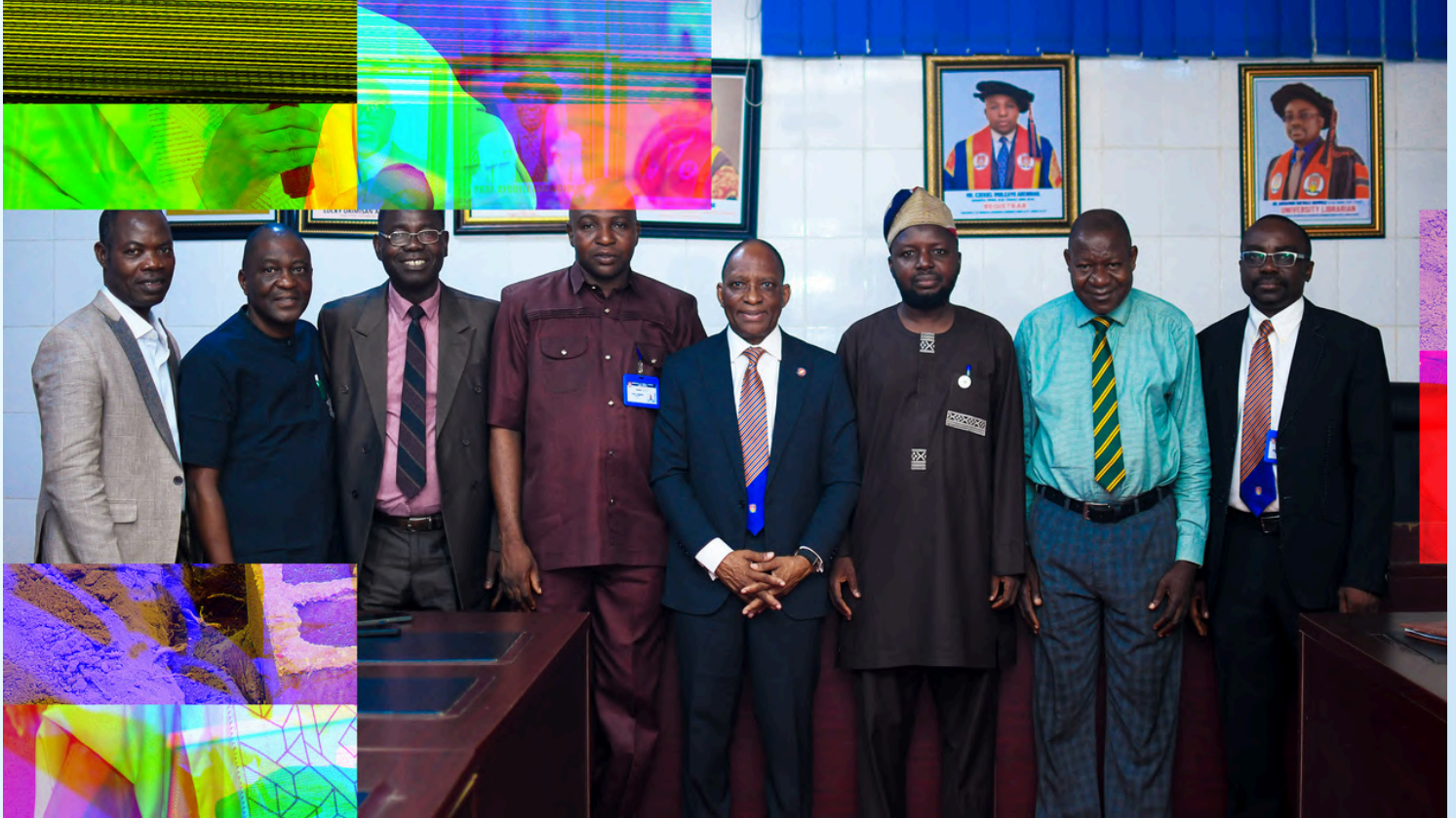


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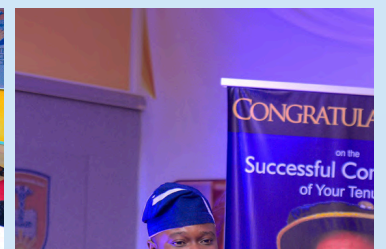


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