

COMMITTEE OF WOMEN IN ENGINEERING CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY IN AFRICA

The activities globally towards increasing the number of women in Engineering and Technology through the years has been on the increase in Nigeria and across Africa. The level (number) of women, generally in employment and leadership amongst the private and government sectors is increasing to some extent, but a review of this exposes the fact that these are women in the humanities or women in business. There is therefore the need to not only review achievement so far in the engineering sector, but to set a course towards reducing the disparity. Therefore the theme for this year's International women's day is very apt, "Pledging for Parity"

The committee in collaboration with the Federation of African Engineering organization, Women in Engineering Committee and the Association of Professional Women engineers of Nigeria, Abuja Chapter, organized a 1 day summit in two (2) parts. The first session was a formal opening with presentations from invited speakers on various topics that bothered on the theme and focus. They all emphasized on the need for women to rise up and take what belongs to them as they will not be called to take it.

Session two (2) was a training for women Engineers on leadership and Business. This is a training on Theme 2 of the WIE strategic plan Leadership & Empowerment.

Dignitaries in the programme included, A representative of the African Union, Dr Kyari, the FAEO President, Engr M.B Shehu, The NSE President, Engt O.T Anyaeji, Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria,(COREN) President, Engr K Ali, Former Head of the Nigerian Civil Service, Engr Ms Ebele Okeke, and Executive Secretary of the Nigerian University Commission, Prof Okojie (represented), Permanent Secretaries, and Past APWEN Presidents amongst others.

The Zimbabwe women Engineers, Sierra Leone WIE and Ghana WINE sent goodwill messages to the Forum.

PHOTO SPEAK



Photo1: AU Representative, Dr Kyari, Engr Ali (COREN),Engr Anyaeji, NSE, Engr Okeke,Chairman & Engr Shehu,FAEO



Photo 2: A group Photograph after the Workshop

Photo 3: Chair, Engr Valerie Agberagba Speaking



Photo 4: Dr Kyari, African Union speaking at the programme



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Photo5: Engr Shehu, FAEO speaking



Chair WIE Engr Valerie Agberagba on her presentation during the w