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## At LAGOS BUSINESS SCHOOL

## CRLE Q1 DIGEST 2017

Greetings to all members of the PAU community. It has been an interesting quarter at the Christopher Kolade Centre for Research in Leadership and Ethics (CRLE).

During this period, CRLE hosted its first Industry Breakfast Meeting (IBM) which gathered industry players in the agribusiness sector to discuss ethical practices in the agricultural value chain. The weekly research labs continued as usual. We welcomed a new staff, some new volunteers and affiliated faculty.

We also have on-going research activities and are negotiating new research collaborations. We have several upcoming events and finally, we are poised to launch our interactive forum for ethical issues. Stay tuned.

More details about our activities can be found below:

### CRLE INDUSTRY BREAKFAST MEETING

CRLE held its first Industry Breakfast Meeting (IBM) on Tuesday, February 14 2017. The IBM is a meeting of players along the value chain to discuss leadership and ethical issues as they concern different industries and sectors.

The first IBM focused on Nigeria's agribusiness sector with the theme, *'The Need for Sound Ethical Practice in Nigeria's Agricultural Value Chain'* and was sponsored by

Africa Capital Alliance Foundation (ACAF). Featured in the event was a short panel discussion by three speakers who are industry experts chosen from the academia and the private sector. The participants at the event were from the agribusiness sector.



At the event, issues such as the ethical challenges in the Nigerian agricultural sector, extant policies and laws relating to that sector, and governmental and non-governmental reforms were reviewed and explored with a view to proffering solutions and suggesting policy directions towards the resolution of such challenges.

The event gave the participants the opportunity to brainstorm and share thoughts and insights on ethical issues in the agribusiness sector and its consequences. The need for government regulators to step up their

work by ensuring international standards in both imported and locally produced food was stressed.



The key messages, outcomes, and recommendations from the event include: the need for more knowledge of ethical practices for agribusiness practitioners; an avenue for continuity of the discussions; getting more stakeholders involved in the sector; and a shared understanding of the impact of unethical practices which will also have a huge effect on the growth effectiveness of the agribusiness sector.

Read the full report [here](#).

## RESEARCH LABS

Our research labs have continued with very interesting and insightful presentations and discussions on various topics including:

- True Stories of Participative Leadership and Ethics in Corporations and Society
- The Character of Change
- Writing A Will
- The Money Multiplier: The Big Bang Financial Model
- Frabho: The Cassavapreneur (Case Study).

## UPCOMING EVENTS THIS YEAR

In line with CRLE vision of sharing knowledge that improves the way managers lead and live in Africa and the world, CRLE plans to hold the following events during the year:

- Social Issues Cluster (SIC): The SIC is a think-tank style event aimed at brainstorming on social issues in leadership and ethics in the country and proffering solutions to them.
- Humanistic Management Network (HMN) activities: The proposed activities for the Nigerian chapter of HMN will be in form of Knowledge café and Business meeting. These events will serve as a forum for discussion on topical issues in the humanistic management space in Nigeria, and to develop ideas that will encourage the creation of humanistic policies for the practice of management in Nigeria. Read more about HMN Nigeria [here](#).
- Industry Breakfast Meetings (IBM): This will convene players and stakeholders all along the value chain to discuss leadership and ethics issues pertaining to different industries.

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Faculty affiliated to CRLE are conducting research in the following topics/themes:

- *Moral Identity and Corrupt Practices*
- *Sustainable Human Ecologies: Solidarity, Inclusion, and the Free Market*
- *Organisational & Research Culture of African Universities (ORCA)*
- *Ethical Consumption*
- *Self-Development*
- *Governance and Economic Development*
- *True stories of Participative Leadership and Ethics in Corporations and Society (Tentative book title)*

## SPONSORSHIP AND COLLABORATION

We look forward to collaborating with individuals and organisations with common interests. To sponsor or collaborate with us on research or any of our events, please contact the CRLE Research Manager, Ogechi Obiorah – [oobiorah@lbs.edu.ng](mailto:oobiorah@lbs.edu.ng) or [crle@lbs.edu.ng](mailto:crle@lbs.edu.ng)

## CRLE STAFF

Ogechi Obiorah joined the CRLE team as the Research Manager in January 2017. We welcome her to the team and we hope she has a great time working with the team and the entire LBS community.

## CRLE AFFILIATED FACULTY

The following faculty are now affiliated with CRLE:

Eugene Ohu, Frank Ojadi, Franklin Ngwu, Henrietta Onwuegbuzie, Ifedapo Adeleye, Juan Elegido, Martha Onyeajuwa, Molly Ogunyemi, Ngozi Okpara, Rose Ogbechie, Uchora Udoji, Vivian Ogochukwu Nwaocha, and Yetunde Anibaba.

## CRLE VOLUNTEERS

CRLE has the following volunteers:

Adaeze Ocho, Adenike Afolabi, Atinuke Adigun, Azeezat Ajibola, Bertha-Bella Agoha, Chidi Anosike, Chika Nwogu, Chinonye Nwosu, Enitan Ibronke, Ezinne Enyinnaya, Florence Okoli, Glory Enyinnaya, Jide Benson, Joseph Abiodun Oni, Martin Aguwa, Mayowa Ogundeji, Oluwakemi Ogunbameru, Onyinye Okwuowulu, Onyinyechi Akagha, Rebekah Akintade, Segun Sotola, Tomi Ogunlesi, and Uche Anagboso.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### CALL FOR PAPERS: BEN-Africa 16<sup>th</sup> Annual conference on Ethics and Energy

The conference is an international platform for stakeholders from the private sector, the public sector, non-profit organisations and academia to come together to reflect, to discuss and to respond to the opportunities and challenges related to promoting ethics, governance, and sustainability in African contexts. Scholars and other experts from around the world are invited to submit industry and academic papers and posters that address the theme of *Ethics & Energy*.

Conference details: 9-10 November 2017, South Africa.

Suggested sub-themes include:

- *Energy-related trade-offs between sustainability and development.*
- *Applying King IV in the energy sector.*
- *Implications of regulatory compliance for the energy sector.*

For more information please click [here](#)

## CONCLUSION

We hope you enjoyed our CRLE Digest. Look out for our 2nd CRLE Digest in June 2017. Here's to a successful 2nd Quarter in 2017!

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