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RE-APPOINTMENT OF UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN DR. BENEDICT ADEKUNLE OLADELE

The Governing Council of the University has approved the re-appointment of Dr. B.A. Oladele as the University Librarian for a period of five (5) years following the satisfactory consideration of the Result of the Interview and Assessment Panel. The re-appointment takes effect from 13 September, 2011.

He is a Chartered Librarian, a member of the Nigeria Library Association (NLA) and the American Society for Information, Science and Technology (ASIS&T).

He speaks Yoruba, Hausa, English and has a good working knowledge of French.

A Fullbright Research Scholar, Dr. Oladele has published extensively in local and international sources, having to his credit chapters in books, journals, articles and commissioned papers.

Prior to his initial appointment, he was the Institute Librarian, National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies (NIPSS), Kuru, near Jos. Aged 58, Dr. Oladele hails from Kabba, Kogi State, Nigeria. He attended Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria where he obtained BLS (Library Science) Degree with Sociology and French as electives in 1979. Thereafter, he came to the University of Ibadan where he graduated with MLS (Library Science) Degree in 1985 and obtained the Ph.D. (Information Studies) in 2000.

He has vast experience in Library Administration with his professional career spanning more than three decades. He started his working career as a Library Officer at the Kaduna Polytechnic in 1975 and also acquired experience as a Librarian in Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria (CRIN), Ibadan. While at CRIN, in addition to his regular schedule, Dr. B.A. Oladele was the Coordinator of the FAO Current Agricultural Research Information System (CARIS) Programme, 1984-1985 for the South Western States of Nigeria. He also worked as Librarian II at Kwara State College of Education, Ilorin (1980-1982).

He is happily married with children. His hobbies include lawn tennis, listening to music (classical and jazz), reading and monitoring global politics/economics with emphasis on crisis management and strategy enunciation.

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