



**OPENING REMARKS AT THE**  
**2017/2018 OMEGA EXECUTIVE ADVANCE**  
**Presented by the Vice-Chancellor**  
**Professor Adeniyi OLÁYANJÚ**

*5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018*

# GREETINGS

## 2018 WINNERS' COVENANT EXCHANGE

*CALLER:* IT'S MY NEW DAWN ERA

*RESPONSE:* AND SO IS MINE

*CALLER:* WHAT EYES HAVE NOT SEEN, NOR EARS  
HEARD SHALL BE THE  
ORDER OF THE DAY IN MY LIFE THIS YEAR

*RESPONSE:* THE SAME IS MY PORTION, BECAUSE  
WHAT JESUS SAYS TO ONE, HE SAYS TO ALL

*CALLER:* CONGRATULATIONS

*BOTH:* AMEN AND AMEN

# PROTOCOL – VC OFFICE, HCPA & DCSIS TEAM

❑ I am extremely glad to welcome you to the Omega Semester Executive Staff Advance in 2017/2018 academic session, themed

## **“RAISING THE BAR OF EXCELLENCE”.**

❑ In the word of Aristotle, **“Excellence is an art won by training and habituation”.**

❑ As long as we throw ourselves into doing things right habitually, we must cherish an educative forum as Staff Advance.

❑ This is a very significant gathering informed by the tenet of relentless improvement on our services and renewal of commitment towards excellent performance of workforce at the beginning of every semester as is our tradition.

❑ It is at this platform we reiterate our priority and refresh our zeal in line with the set goals and the visionary track of the University.

- ❑ As we engage with urgency our strategic plan for the semester as highlighted in my remarks at the welcome assembly yesterday, though audacious they may appear -
- ❑ It is important to leverage our strengths and explore our opportunities without ignoring potential threats that needed to be addressed headlong.
- ❑ Our core values and departure philosophy drive which have made us become one among the **top ten (10) universities** in Open Educational Resource (OER) Ranking in Nigeria in an unparalleled short time frame can as well be intensified positively to bring greater accomplishments.

- ❑ We are no doubt endowed with **human and infrastructural facilities** that could complement proprietor base commitment to excellence in driving agricultural revolution.
- ❑ With the huge investment of the proprietor base in driving mechanized agriculture capable of addressing food insecurity in Africa -
- We have no justification for not feeding at least our immediate community, more so now that the national and global call for rejuvenation of agriculture as a panacea for economic downturn, is pervasive.

❑ Learning is endless, a requirement for meaningful living and phenomenal progress which is why it is known as a competitive strategy in the global workplace.

❑ As an ever evolving and always improving campus –

➤ We are encouraged to spark research and innovation by building transformational research programs that have the potential to save people from hunger and poverty thereby improving the lives of people around the world.

□ It is high time we demonstrated -

➤ that we are indeed forward-looking, solution-seeking University

➤ that we have the potential to save and improve lives by uniting brilliant minds across disciplines -

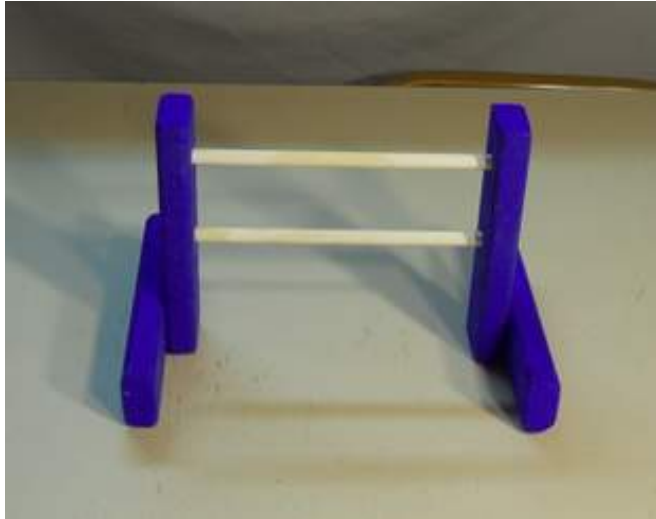
➤ to tackle the world's greatest challenges, prominent among which are hunger and poverty.

- ❑ There is no gainsay that we had a relatively **good working relationship across board last semester** for which reason we recorded impressive accomplishments.
- ❑ **The way forward is to look forward** not dwelling on the past achievements.
- ❑ As we resolve not to rest on our oars but to scale up improvement strategy, we are bound to successfully embark on the **physical and intellectual transformation** of our campus, **spark research and innovation**, and **enhance the student experience**, provided **we do not succumb to the threat of a discord**.



- ❑ We look forward therefore to total commitment to giving more contributions resonating across the entire University community in driving our vision successfully.
- ❑ It is important to state that learning experiences are like journeys. The end of the journey is not knowing more, it is doing more.
- ❑ It is on this note, I declare this Executive Staff Advance open on behalf of the Chancellor, Dr David Oyedepo.
- ❑ As we look forward to a brainstorming session that will birth a physical and visible hub of creativity, collaboration and entrepreneurship, I wish all of us a refreshing time and fulfilling interaction.
- ❑ Thank you and God bless.

❑ NEXT SLIDE PLEASE



# **RAISING THE BAR OF EXCELLENCE: AN EVALUATION/ASSESSMENT/A REVIEW**

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# EXECUTIVE ADVANCE PROGRAMME FOR JANUARY 2018

SN	ACTIVITY	PRESENTER	TIME
1	Arrival/Registration	Establishment Team	8:00-8:30 am
2	Opening Prayer	Acting Chaplain	8:30-8:35 am
3	Praise & Worship		8:35-8:45 am
4	Welcome	Registrar	8:45-8:50 am
5	VC's Opening Remarks		8:50-9:00am
<b>(MORNING SESSION)</b>			
<b>PRESENTATION 1</b>			
6.	LMU: Raising the Bar of Excellence in Agricultural Mechanization and Sustainability.	Prof. Adeniyi OLAYANJU ( <b>VICE-CHANCELLOR</b> )	9.00am-9:40am
	Questions & Answer	M.E.	9:40am-9:50am
<b>PRESENTATION 2</b>			
7.	Interlude: Exploring the Overview Design of LMU Orchard.	Arc. OpeyemiSina-Olulana( <b>DPPD</b> )	9:50am-10:10am
	Questions & Answer	M.E.	10:10am-10:20am
<b>PRESENTATION 3</b>			
8.	Driving Attendance Integrity Among Faculty, Staff and Students: A <i>sine qua non</i> for Accountability, Responsibility, Productivity and Academic Excellence in LMU.	Dr. Azubuike Ezenwoke ( <b>Registrar</b> )	10:20am:11:00am
	Questions & Answer	M.E.	11:00am-11:10am

**PRESENTATION 4**

9.	Update on LMU Research Clusters Aimed at Realizing Product-Oriented Vision of Landmark University	Dr B.O. Adebesein ( <b>Ag. Chair, Research Committee</b> )	11:10am-11.50am
	Questions & Answer	M.E.	11.50pm-12:00pm
	<b>Break (AFTERNOON/EVENING SESSION)</b>		12:00pm-12:30pm

**PRESENTATION 5**

10.	LMU: ACE Project	Professor L.O. Adekoya ( <b>Coordinator, IPTTO</b> )	12:30pm-01:10pm
	Questions & Answer	M.E	1:10-1:20 pm
11	LMU Web Ranking Status: Progress and Prospects	Engr. Oladipo Olaleye ( <b>DCSIS</b> )	1:20-2:00 pm
	Questions & Answer	M.E.	2:00pm-2:10pm

**REVIEW, EVALUATION & CLOSING OF THE EXECUTIVE ADVANCE (OMEGA, 2017/2018)**

12	Review of Presentations	Rapporteurs	2:10pm-2:20pm
13	Announcements	Registrar	2:20pm- 2:30pm
14	<b>Closing Prayer</b>	<b>Acting Chaplain</b>	<b>2:30pm-2:40pm</b>

## PREAMBLE

□ In line with the Biblical Quote of Matthew 7:16, "Ye shall know them by their fruits". **Not by what they say, but by their product.** Not by how they describe themselves but by what they produce and contribute to society:

□ Our take – off agenda, therefore, has been focused on:

✓ Generating knowledge through **Research**;

✓ **Transferring knowledge** through **Education** thereby providing an educated and skilled workforce;

✓ **Disseminating Knowledge** to society; and

✓ Generating **Economic Development** through our **Agrarian Revolution Mandate** thereby impacting society.

## SWOT ANALYSIS:

- ✓ present **Strength** of the University is consolidated;
- ✓ the **Weakness** is evaluated and improved upon;
- ✓ the available **Opportunities** are identified/Utilized
- ✓ the **Threat** is addressed
- ❖ (2017 – 2022 Strategic Plan of the University)
- In this regard, the University is expected to initiate new ideas and research that would :
  - ✓ build capacity, generate funds,
  - ✓ promote partnership and linkages, and
  - ✓ related image promoting skills.

# OUR SET GOALS:

- To provide life-applicable training environment
- To train Pathfinders that will be job creators and world changers.
- To prepare them for national and international leadership.
- To inculcate sustainable agrarian revolution mindset
- To Achieve financial self-sufficiency for the University.
- To make impacts on the community.
- To establish the Landmark University Research Centre
- To develop our Human Resources.
- To provide physical and non-physical facilities
- To strengthen Budgeting and Financial Mgt System.
- To draw year-to-year plan schedules
- To develop models for Performance M & E

# AREAS OF EMPHASIS IN THE TAKE – OFF AGENDA

S/ N	ACTIVITY	TIMELINE
1.	DEVELOPMENT OF A STANDARD ORCHARD FARM	<b>2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
2.	STRENGTHENING THE EXISTING AGRO-ALLIED FACTORIES - PALM OIL AND CASSAVA PROCESSING MILL	<b>2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
3.	ESTABLISHMENT OF OTHER AGRO-ALLIED FACTORIES	<b>2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
4.	INCREASED PRODUCTION OF FADAMA RICE	<b>2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
5.	UPGRADING OF THE NURSERY FARM/ BAMBOO PROCESSING AND UTILIZATION	<b>2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
6.	ESTABLISHMENT OF COOPERATIVE CATTLE REARING SCHEME.	<b>2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
7.	ESTABLISHMENT OF TRACTOR HIRING UNIT	<b>2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
8.	ESTABLISHMENT OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY PARK (ITP)	<b>2018/2019 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
9.	ESTABLISHMENT OF EQUIPMENT PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT CENTRE	<b>2018/2019 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
10	INTRODUCTION OF AGRICULTURAL SUSTAINABLE CITY	<b>2018/2019 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
11	UPGRADING OF ELEYIN FARM INTO A SETTLEMENT.	<b>2018/2019 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>
12	ESTABLISHMENT OF LANDMARK WORLD CLASS RESEARCH INSTITUTE	<b>2019/2020 ACADEMIC SESSION</b>



# CHALLENGES TO REALIZING THE GOALS

- ✓ **FUNDING**
- ✓ **LOW CARRYING CAPACITY**
- ✓ **STAFF WELFARE**
- ✓ **STUDENTS' NEEDS**
- ✓ **SECURITY AND GOOD NEIGHBOURLINESS**

## STRATEGIES FOR OVERCOMING THE ABOVE CHALLENGES :

- Total Support from the Chancellor, the BOR, the Community
- Retainancy/Recruitment of highly skilled Staff.
- Unity and loyalty to the goal, vision and mission of the LMU
- Provision of Funds to kick start projects or initiatives.
- Aggressive Advertisement/Evangelism
- Provision of Diverse Forms of Grants for R & D
- Enforcement of Regular Time, Core ethical Values, Academic and Administrative rejuvenation.

# OUR EXPECTATIONS

✓ Today, we are 24<sup>th</sup> on Webometric Ranking; we will work hard to bring the University stably into the 1<sup>st</sup> 10.

✓ Today, our research ranking is at middle level, We look forward to God to take us to higher level.

✓ Today, we have to depend on huge grants from the proprietor base to fund the ever increasing recurrent expenditure of the university, by God's help and especially the prophetic directions from the Visioner, it will significantly reduce if not eliminate our financial dependence on the mission.

✓ Really, we look forward into the nearest future when through the research impact of the university, product development by this university and demonstrated capacity of engaging the agricultural value chain across all academic units of this University; we would finance all our capital projects.

✓ Make LMU a model of intellectual resource fountain and working model that the entire world will be coming to learn from..

## CONCLUSION

- ☐ The Lord said, I sought for a man to fill the gap.  
“Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?”
- ☐ Then said We: “Here We Are, send Us”. Isaiah 6: 8.
- ☐ We look forward to consolidating our work with the community in “Our Eden Revisited”

**COME THOU WITH US  
AND WE WILL DO THEE GOOD.  
FOR THE LORD HAS SPOKEN GOOD  
CONCERNING US NUMBERS 10:29b.**



**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS**