

**Opening Remarks by ASURI Chairman Dr. Ayodele M. Asebiomo During the 2019 Annual Conference Held at NERDC Guest House Agidingbin Lagos on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019.**

The Chief Host, Prof. Ismail Junaidu

The Guest Speaker /Keynote Speaker, Prof. Julius Abiola Ademokoya

The Lead Paper Presenter, Prof. Ayodeji Olasunkanmi Abari

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I on behalf of all ASURI, NERDC warmly welcome you all to our 2019 National Conference on Research and Development (NCRD). I equally thank God for journey Mercy He has granted all of us to be here today.

NCRD has become a household name in the field of Research and Development in Nigeria. But before I continue my speech, I wish on a sad note announce the passing to Glory of one of our Consulting Editor – Prof. Aminu I. Yandaki of History Department, Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto. May we then rise up for a minute silence in his honour and memory! May his soul rest in Peace.

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This year Theme: “Educational Research for sustainable Development” with sub – themes on Basic, Secondary, Tertiary, Girl Child, and Special Needs Education was carefully chosen for us to rub minds on ways educational research could result to our national development as a nation, the Africa continent and the World as a whole.

To our Keynote Speaker Prof. Julius Abiola Ademokoya and Lead paper presenter Prof. Ayodeji Olasunkanmi Abari, we want to thank you for accepting to be a blessing to us by sharing your wealth of experience with us despite your tights’ scheduled. May God reward you all.

To all our participants, we say thank you for your patronage and honouring our invitation. We promised not to let you down. Every one of us will have opportunity to present our paper in a small panel group stage and each group leaders will be encourage to summarize group presentation in a plenary. However, papers will still be sent for peer review process before it can be accepted for publication in our Journal. Each contributor should before the end of this conference forward a soft copy of their full paper to the e-mail provided by our LOC.

Please, let us pay rap attention to all presentations for the positive change expected in our national development.

Feel free to ask questions from LOC and ASURI Executive members who are to serve as your guide. The LOC chairperson will give you hot line to call in case of any emergency. Let us make adequate contributions and interact freely to guarantee us the maximum benefit of hosting this year conference in Lagos.

**LONG LIVE AJORAD! LONG LIVE NCRD!! LONG LIVE ASURI!!! LONG LIVE NERDC! LONG LIVE FME!!!! LONG LIVE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA!!!!!!**