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LRCN Holds Creativity and Innovation Workshop in Bauchi



Group photograph of dignitaries with participants during the workshop

Librarians' Registration Council of Nigeria (LRCN), held the first training programme in 2016 in Bauchi, Bauchi state Nigeria. The workshop focussed on Creativity and Innovation in Nigerian Libraries: Online Platforms for eLearning and held from 22nd – 27th May, 2016 at the Federal Polytechnic Bauchi.

Registrar/CEO of LRCN, Dr. Victoria Okojie stressed the need for Librarians to embrace the information and communication technologies so as to deliver optimal library services to users.

The Registrar who was represented by the Director, Professional Services Department Mr Dele Omotoso stated that in the face of dwindling revenues and glaring economic downturn, there was the need for Librarians and information professionals to be creative and innovative in order to make remarkable contribution to the growth and development of their organization as well as deliver measurable results to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of Nigeria.

Papers presented during the workshop include: Online Entrepreneurial Services for Nigerian Libraries; Library Makerspaces: An Innovation in Library and Information Services; Application of M-Technologies, Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp in eLearning and the Use of WhatsApp Mobile Application. Others are Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs); Self Development for Enhanced Productivity as well as Creativity and Innovations in Nigerian Libraries:



A technical session in progress

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Online Platforms for eLearning: An Overview.

No fewer than seventy (70) participants attended the workshop and adjudged the The opening ceremony was chaired by the Rector, Federal Polytechnic Bauchi, represented by the Deputy Rector, Architect Sanusi Waziri Gumau. Other dignitaries at the event included the Polytechnic Librarian, Mrs. Hajaratu Pisagih and the Polytechnic Bursar, Alh. Yahaya Adamu and a host of others from across the country.



Some participants at the workshop



Practical session on going

LRCN, IREX Train Library Staff on ICT Literacy



Dr Okojie presenting certificate to participant after the training

The Registrar/CEO LRCN, Dr Victoria Okojie, welcomed the participants to the Council, saying the partnership between LRCN and IREX is centered on capacity building for staff in Public Libraries across Nigeria.

The Registrar stated that participants have been carefully selected from Libraries that benefitted from the Universal Service Provision Fund (USPF) project. The USPF project involve the donation of eLibraries to different establishments in the country.

Dr Okojie described the training as ' a train the trainer' (ToT) programme, wherein the participants are expected to impart skills and knowledge acquired on their colleagues in their different institutions and places of work.

The training facilitator, Mrs. Damilola Ade took them through the training manual provide by INTEL systems. Some of the topics taken during the training were; Computer Appreciation, Introduction to Internet, Email and Online Communities, Microsoft Office (Introduction to Excel, Word and Powerpoint), Applying Skills to Business and Entrepreneurship as well as Showcasing Your Work.

37 participants attended the training and also expressed their delight on the success the training having also acquired new and relevant skills.



Practical session on going



Practical session



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Group photograph of participants with resource persons