

**ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, RESTORATION AND
SUSTAINABILITY IN AFRICA CONFERENCE**

at

UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, AKOKA

Date: July 1 (FRIDAY – SATURDAY) 2, 2011

OPENING SESSION/CEREMONY & SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Arrival & Registration of Delegates

Invitation to the High Table

Opening Prayer: *Dr. Modestus Onyeaghalaji*

Chairman's Opening Speech: *Prof. Duro Oni* (Dean, Faculty of Arts, University of Lagos, Akoka)

Welcome Speech from the Head of Philosophy Dept., Unilag: *Prof. F. N. Ndubuisi*

Welcome Speech from the Chair of the Dept. of Philosophy and Religion Studies, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, USA (*Prof. Trish Glazebrook*)

Convener's Address: *Dr. Chigbo J. Ekwealo*

Keynote Address from *Prof. T. Uzodinma Nwala* (Emeritus Professor of Philosophy and the first graduate of Philosophy in Nigeria)

Comments from other dignitaries

Response/Questions from Participants

Vote of thanks/ Closing prayer

Lunch (1.00PM – 2.30PM)

Concurrent Sessions

**Friday Sessions 3.00 – 4.30pm (Session One)
 5.00 – 6.30pm (Session Two)**

**Saturday Sessions 9.00 – 11.00am (Session Three)
 11.30 – 1.30pm (Session Four)**

1.30 – 2.30pm (Break/Lunch)

2.30 – 4.30pm (Session Five)

4.30 – 6.30pm (Session Six)

6.30 – 7.00pm (Closing Session by the Convener)

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PANELS OF PRESENTERS

PANEL ONE (ROOM B106) Friday, July 1, 2011 (3.00 – 4.30pm)

1. Dr. Alao, F.O and Mrs. Umeh, E.I
Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo
“The Concept of “ALA” (Mother Earth) in Some Southern States of Nigeria: A
Typical Case of Igbo and Yoruba”
2. Dr. Mark .O. Ikeke
Delta State University, Abraka
“The Value of Ubuntu in Restoration and Sustainability of the Niger-Delta”
3. Dr. Alloy Ihuah
Benue State University, Makurdi
“African Knowledges, Personhood and Environmental Ethics”
4. Prof. A.J. Afolayan
University of Fort Hare, Walter Sizulu University, South Africa
“The Impact of Indigenous Knowledge and Ethical Consideration on Medicinal
Plant Conservation and Environmental Protection in Guruve, Zimbabwe”

MODERATOR: *Prof. O. A. Falaiye*

PANEL TWO (ROOM B107) Friday, July 1, 2011 (3.00 – 4.30pm)

1. Mr. O. Saba Abdul (Doctoral Student)
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Energy, Environmentalism, and Existentialism in Africa: Exploring a New
Triangle of Forces for African Development”
2. Mr. Stanley M. Nkemnole (Doctoral Student)
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Advancing from Petrochemical-Dependency to Renewable Energy: A
Philosophical Blueprint for Environmental Sustainability in Nigeria”
3. Piercy Awele
Independent Researcher and Public Good Promoter

“Food Security” or Life Security?: The Globalization of an Issue of Essential Existential Consequences”

4. Dr. Kessington Aigbovia
University of Lagos, Akoka, ;Lagos, Nigeria
“Environmental Pollution in Nigeria: Lessons from Russia”

MODERATOR: *Dr. C. B. Nnabuiife*

PANEL THREE (ROOM B106) Friday, July 1, 2011 (5.00 – 6.30pm)

1. Dr. Ojo, F.A
University of Ado-Ekiti, Ado-Ekiti, Nigeria
“An Appraisal of Poverty in Ancient Israel in the Context of Poverty among Youths in Nigeria”
2. Dr. Olajiga Isaac Oladeji
University of Ado-Ekiti, Ado-Ekiti, Nigeria
“Restoring Respect to Africa: A Multi-Culturalist’s Reconsideration of the ‘Culture of Poverty’”
3. Dr. Tony Okeregbe
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Forgiving the Victim: Moral Problems in the Niger-Delta Amnesty Programme”
4. Dr. (Mrs) E.O. Kehinde
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“The Threatened Marital Space”

MODERATOR: *Prof A. J. Afolayan.*

PANEL FOUR (ROOM B107) Friday, July 1, 2011 (5.00 – 6.30pm)

1. Dr. Caroline Mbonu
University of Port Harcourt, Nigeria
“Towards an Ethic of Environmental Restoration: A Biblical Approach”
2. Venerable Cyprian Obiora (Dr)

“The Synthesis of Oikothology and African Ecological Ethics as a Model for Environmental Protection in Africa”

3. Dr. Ehianu Wilson Eze
University of Benin, Nigeria
“The Roman Catholic Church and Environmental Sustainability: An Appraisal”

4. Mrs. Grace Ogelenya
Delta State University, Abraka
“The Significance of the Theistic Foundations of African Traditional Thought to an Environmentally Sustainable Africa”

MODERATOR: *Dr. C. B. Nnabuife*

PANEL FIVE (ROOM B106) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (9.00 – 11.00am)

1. Fagbohun P.O and Oke G.O.
Yaba College of Technology, Yaba
“Self-Help Housing Provision Methods and Strategies and the Problem of Environmental Degradation in Nigerian Cities: The Case of Sango-Ota Area”

2. Dr. Ndukaeze Nwabueze
University of Lagos, Akoka, Lagos, Nigeria
“Social Differences and the Unequal Distribution of the Burden and Impact of the Urban Renewal Programme in Lagos, Nigeria”

3. Architect Katalin Kato Agu
Real Estate Development, Budapest, Hungary
“The Cost and Benefits of Sustainable Buildings”

4. Dr. Radwa A. Sameh
Alexandria University, Egypt
“ECOTOURISM: A Component of Egypt’s Sustainable Development Strategy”

MODERATOR: *Dr.(Mrs.) E. O. Kehinde*

PANEL SIX (ROOM B107) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (9.00 – 11.00am)

1. Mr. Ayodele, Johnson and Jawando Jubril
Lagos State University, Ojo-Lagos, Nigeria
“Social Pollution, Gender and Criminal Victimization in Ojo Local Government of Lagos State: An Ecofeminist Critique”
2. Mr. Adebayo, T.A and Labi Agboola
The Polytechnic, Ibadan, Crescent University, Nigeria
“Plights of Nigerian Women in the Construction Industry”
3. Mrs. Elegbede and Adisa A. Olarewaju
The Polytechnic, Ibadan
“Plights of Widows in Nigeria’s Real Estate Market: Case Study of Ibadan, Nigeria”
4. Mrs. Emily Oghale God’spresence and Azuka F.N. God’spresence
University of Nigeria, Nsukka
“Display of Male Audacity over the Female Gender: Urinating in Unauthorized Public Places”

MODERATOR: *Prof. F. N. Ndubuisi*

PANEL SEVEN (ROOM B106) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (11.30 – 1.30pm)

1. Dr. Edwin Etiegbo
“Environmental Justice, Population, Consumerism and Redistribution of Resources”
2. Dr. Chris Osegenwune
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria.
“Electoral Violence: Implications for Environmental Justice”
3. Dr. E.U. Ezedike
University of Port Harcourt, Port-Harcourt, Nigeria
“Environmental Problems and Sustainable Development in Nigeria: Ethical and Legal Imperatives”
4. Dr. Anshi, Martin Wang
Benue State University, Makurdi, Nigeria
“The Appraisal of Tiv Conservation Methods of the Environment in the Contemporary Environmental Injustice in Africa”

MODERATOR: *Dr. A. O. Okeregebe*

PANEL EIGHT (ROOM B107) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (11.30 – 1.30pm)

1. Dr. Nnabuihe, Chigozie Bright
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Environmental Degradation, Depletion of Economic Foundation and Exorcism in Igboland”
2. Dr. Chiedozie Okoro
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Ethics of Complementarity and the Challenge of Eco-Balance- An Appraisal”
3. Dr. Agu Kenneth Obinna, Valko Gabor, and Dr. Fekete-Farkas Maria
Szent Istvan University
“Measuring Sustainability and Vulnerability Indicators of the Nigeria Economy”
4. Mr. Okwy P. Okpala and Olayinka M. Uadiale
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Tripple-Bottom Line,’ Accounting in Environmental Sustainability Issues: A Critical Reflection”

MODERATOR: Prof. P. I. Alozie

PANEL NINE (ROOM B106) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (2.30 – 4.30pm)

1. Mr. Angbashim, Theophilus
Nassarawa State University, Keffi, Nigeria
“Assessing the Role of Traditional Beliefs and Practices in Arresting Deforestation in Africa: Studies on Tarok People of Central Nigeria”
2. Dr. Anthony Kola-Olusanya
Osun State University, Okuku, Nigeria
“Traditions of Stewardship and Sustainability: Indigenous Knowledge Systems as a Model for Caring for the Earth”
3. Dr. Trish Glazebrook
University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, USA
“Gender and Climate Change: A Ghanaian perspective”
4. Yakubu, Aminu Dodo
Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, Skudo-Johor, Malaysia
“Applying Lessons from the TAO of Sustainability in Restoring our Natural Resources”

MODERATOR: Dr. C. T. Osegenwune

PANEL TEN (ROOM B107) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (2.30 – 4.30pm)

1. Dr(s) Okwori, O.Robert and Odo I. Moses
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Towards Environmental Restoration, Harmony and Sustenance: The Case of Pulp and Paper Production”
2. Prof. Yaw A. Debrah, Daniel F. Ofori, and Richard .B. Nyour
Swansea University (University of Wales, Swansea, UK), University of Ghana Business, Ghana
“Corporate Social Responsibility in Africa: An Assessment of Environmental Sustainability in the Mining Sector in Ghana”
3. Ms. Dara Veronique
Asst. Officer, Minister for Trade, Dept. on Environment, Madagascar
“Quite an Art to Environmental Justice”
4. Mr. Osemwegie, Taiwo Wesley
University of Benin, Benin, Nigeria
“The Natural Environment as a ‘Living Organism’: ‘Holism’ as an Approach to Ensuring its Sustainability and Justice”

MODERATOR: *Dr. M. W. Anshi*

PANEL ELEVEN (ROOM B106) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (4.30 – 6.30pm)

1. Prof. Chris. I. Ejizu & Dr. Julia Awajiusuk
University of Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
“Gender Perspectives on Ecological Restoration, Justice and Sustainability in the Niger Delta, Nigeria”
2. Prof. Princewill I. Alozie
Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos State, Nigeria
“Environmental Justice, Restoration and Sustainability, An Overview”
3. Mrs. Philomena A. Ojomo
“Aldo Leopold’s Land Ethics: Implication for Africa”
4. Dr(s). Dotun Ogunkoya, Peter Oni & Modestus Onyeaghalaji Osemwegie,
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria

“In Search for Balance and Restoration: Noise and Knowledge as a Paradox of Academic Environment”

MODERATOR: *Dr. C. T. Osegenwune*

PANEL TWELVE (ROOM B107) Saturday, July 2, 2011 (4.30 – 6.30pm)

1. Mr. Gbadebo, Debo M. & Mr. Omosulu Rotimi
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria & Redeemer’s University, Mowe, Ogun State, Nigeria
“Man and Nature in Yoruba Thought System: A Philosophical Reflection”
2. Mr. Owosho, Sirajudeen
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“Islamic Perspective of Eco=Balance on Human-Nature Relationship – A Philosophical Appraisal”
3. Mr. Dan Ekere
University of Lagos, Akoka
“Nature: An Examination of Some Eating Habits and Totems”
4. Mrs. Osuji, Ucheoma (Doctoral Student)
University of Lagos, Akoka, Nigeria
“The Connection Between Female Subjugation and Environmental Abuse in Contemporary Africa: An Afro-feminist Perspective”

MODERATOR: *Dr. C. B. Nnabuihe*

Closing Ceremony (6.30 – 7.00pm) by the Convener, Dr. C. J. Ekwealo