UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, NIGERIA


The Director and Chief Executive, National Mathematical Centre
The Dean, Faculty of Science
The HOD for Mathematics Department
The HOD for Computer Sciences Department
The Invited Foreign Guest Speakers:

1. Prof. Montaz Ali, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg
2. Prof. Mujahid Abbas, University of Pretoria
3. Professor Christopher Thron, Texas A & M Central University, U.S.A.

The Chairman, Mathematical Analysis and Optimization Group and LOC ICAPTA 2015 Conference Organizers, Mathematical Analysis and Optimization Research Group
Conference Participants
Professors and members of the University Community
Gentlemen of the press and
Ladies and Gentlemen

It is my pleasure to welcome you all to this Second Annual International Conference on Mathematical Analysis and Optimization: Theory and Applications. I want to specially welcome the Guest Speakers and the participants from various institutions of learning both in Nigeria and outside to the University of Lagos.

I understand that a 6 day postgraduate workshop on the subject of the conference was just concluded on Saturday.

The University of Lagos, like all other world class institutions of higher learning, put a high premium on Research Groups as platforms for collaborations and research. Interdisciplinary research has a special advantage of producing solutions to modern
day technological and industrial challenges as could be observed from the research breakthroughs that merit Nobel prices. That is why the University continues to encourage and support research groups like the Mathematical Analysis and Optimization Research Group {MANORG}, comprising of related researchers in the Departments of Mathematics and Computer Sciences.

It is hoped that this Second Annual Conference, which is taking off today, will generate collaborative research which consequently will broaden and enrich the research horizons of the participants.

I want to implore you to enjoy our hospitality and conducive environment.

Once again, you are welcome.

**Professor Rahamon A. Bello, FAEng**
Vice-Chancellor, University of Lagos
**Monday, March 23, 2015**