

Oxbridge Club of Nigeria hosts inaugural debate

Lagos, Nigeria, 22nd March, 2015: Fundamental issues concerning Nigeria, her democracy and the economy will come to the fore as erudite lawyers and renowned economists are set for an insightful debate on Tuesday, 24th March 2014 at the inaugural debate organised by The Oxford and Cambridge Club of Nigeria.

Slated to take place at the Agip Recital Hall, Muson Centre, Onikan, Lagos, the Oxbridge Debate, under the Chairmanship of former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Prof. Bolaji Akinyemi (CFR), will feature four accomplished subject-matter experts who, together with the Chairman, are all members of the Oxford and Cambridge Club of Nigeria.

The debaters are Dr. Bright Okogu, DG, Budget Office of the Federation; Mr. Demola Akinrele (SAN), Senior Partner, FO Akinrele & Co; Dr. Ayo Teriba, CEO, Economic Associates and Prof. Fidelis Oditah (QC, SAN), Senior Partner, ODITAH & Co.. They will each speak on **the topic:** *'Nigeria, Democracy and The Economy* whilst the Moderator will be Prof. Konyin Ajayi (SAN), Managing Partner of Olaniwun Ajayi LP, and also a member of the club.

According to a statement by the President of Oxford and Cambridge Club of Nigeria, Mr. Akinfela Akoni, the inaugural debate was created as a platform for the club "to contribute positively to nation-building by encouraging debate on social and economic issues in Nigeria, and to enable and advance intellectual discussions on pertinent matters affecting Nigeria." The debate is also aimed at promoting knowledge sharing among Nigerians.

Oxford and Cambridge Club of Nigeria, a non-political organisation, is an alumni association of the Oxford University and Cambridge University of United Kingdom (UK). It organises business forum, lectures and thought leadership events which are attended by notable individuals and international personalities.

Other current executives of the club are Dr Timi Austen-Peters (Vice President); Mr. Uche Okoli (Vice President); Mr. Michael Orimobi (Hon. Secretary); Mr. Ike Chioke (Hon. Treasurer); Ms. Adeola Egbeyemi (Membership Secretary) , Mr. Adekunle Adebisi (Social Secretary), Ms Nkiru Asika, Ms Sesu Tilley-Gyado and Prof. Bomi Ogedengbe (each as ex-officio members).

Membership of The Oxford and Cambridge Club of Nigeria is open to any resident of Nigeria, or Nigerian, who graduated from either the University of Oxford or the University of Cambridge.