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NISLT MANAGEMENT CELEBRATES ELDER YEMI HEZEKIAH GBADEGESIN FISLT AT 60TH BIRTHDAY AND RETIREMENT



The Management of the Nigerian Institute of Science Laboratory Technology (NISLT) heartily felicitates with the immediate past Director-General/Registrar/Chief Executive Officer, Elder Yemi Hezekiah Gbadegesin FISLT, on the occasion of his 60th birthday, celebrated on the 5th May 2025.

In line with public service regulations and in preparation for his statutory retirement, a management meeting was held prior to the formal retirement ceremony, during which he officially handed over the leadership of the Institute to Peter Adefisoye Oluwafisoye FISLT as the most Senior Director who is currently the Director of Education, Training, and Inspectorate. As Overseeing Director, he is to pilot the affairs of the Institute pending the appointment of a substantive Director-General.

The retirement and birthday celebration were momentous occasion attended by distinguished personalities and stakeholders within the Science Laboratory Technology Profession. Notable among them were Dr. Ighodalo Folorunsho Ijagbone FISLT, the pioneer Director-General of NISLT; Mr. Charles Obaseki, FISLT, former Chairman of the NISLT Governing Council; Elder Michael Olu-Ajayi, FISLT, former National Chairman, Association of Science Laboratory Technologists of Nigeria (ASLTON) and immediate past Chairman of the NISLT Governing Council; Mr. Ayotunde Omorilewa, FISLT current National President of the Association of Science Laboratory Technologists of Nigeria (ASLTON); Mr Peter Jeje National Treasurer; Prof. Emmanuel Oshomoh FISLT former Council member and representative of SLT HODs; as well as all Assistant Directors, Deputy Directors, Directors, and Heads of Department from SLT training institutions across the Country. The event was also graced by Alhaji Raheem Bello former Director, Human Resource and Management NISLT, Peter Smart Olaiya FCA, Director, Finance and Account, Dr Adebola Odeseye, Head Laboratory Services, Mr. Musa Ibrahim Head Human Resources and Management, Engr. Chukwuma Maduakonam Head of Information Communication Technology (ICT) & Secretary to the Management, family members, friends, and well-wishers. A comprehensive citation outlining the outgoing DG's numerous achievements and awards was presented by Mr. Pius Patrick Ikokoh, Director of Planning, Research, and Development. In his goodwill message, Dr. Ijagbone expressed heartfelt gratitude to God for granting him the grace to witness the successful conclusion of the tenure of his successor, Elder Gbadegesin. He commended the outgoing DG for finishing his service with honour and excellence. Elder Michael Olu-Ajayi appreciated the privilege of working closely with him, highlighting the remarkable successes they recorded during their time together in both ASLTON and Council. He, however, expressed his regret that the tenure of the Governing Council ended prematurely. In his remarks, Mr. Charles Obaseki offered prayers for the outgoing DG and wishing him a peaceful and fulfilling retirement.

Responding to the tributes, Elder Yemi Hezekiah Gbadegesin FISLT, expressed his profound gratitude to all who supported him throughout his time in office. He made special mention of Dr. Ijagbone, whom he fondly referred to as "My Boss," for his mentorship and unwavering support. He also acknowledged the contributions of the two Governing Council Chairmen under whom he served, appreciating their guidance and collaboration as well as the Honourable Ministers and Permanent Secretaries and Director STP of FMIST (both former and new) Late Dr. Ogbonnaya Onu, Barrister Mohammed Abdulahi, Dr. Adeleke Mamora and Chief Uche Nnaji, Dr. Habibat Lawal, Mrs Belema Wakama, Dr Mrs Shamaki, Mr. Nabasu, Dr. Lawal, Mrs Monilola Udoh, James Sule mni and Mrs Esuabana Nko-Asanye; Dr. Udoh Ekanem, Pharmacist Oguntunde, Alhaji Umar and Mr. Ukpong Roland as well as Barrister Odu-Thomas for inculcating in him the exceptional leadership qualities and discipline

In his vote of thanks, Peter Adefisoye Oluwafisoye FISLT, the Overseeing Director and Director of Education, Training, and Inspectorate, expressed sincere appreciation to all dignitaries and guests who honoured the event with their presence. He assured everyone that the Institute would continue to progress and that the solid foundation laid by the past and the outgoing Director-Generals would be built upon with integrity and vision. The event was a fitting tribute to a dedicated leader whose contributions to the growth and advancement of NISLT will be remembered for years to come.

NISLT Management Celebrates Elder Yemi Hezekiah Gbadegesin, FISLT on His 60th Birthday and Retirement



Outgoing Director-General Signing the hand over document



Overseeing Director Accept the hand over document



Overseeing Director Signing the hand over document



Outgoing Director-General and his wife at the retirement and 60th Birthday ceremony



Overseeing Director receiving the hand over document



The Overseeing Director presenting a retirement plaque to the outgoing DG



The pioneer DG of NISLT, Dr. I.F. Ijagbone, eulogizing the outgoing DG on his retirement.



Olaiya Smart Peter, FCA, Director of Finance and Accounts, humorously mimicked the actions of the outgoing Director-General



Mr. Ayotunde Omorilewa, FISLT, the National President of ASLTON, delivered a heartfelt address during the event.



Some members on the high table praying for the celebrant



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A cross section of guests and family members at the occasion



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Some family members of the celebrant

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The celebrant and the wife



Some members on the high table



The celebrant and the wife



Mr. Pius Patrick Ikokoh, DPRD reading a comprehensive citation of the outgoing DG



The celebrant and the wife



Some members on the high table praying for the celebrant



The celebrant and some family members



The cross section of the high table



SLT HODs from various institutions and the celebrant



Former DG and former Chairmen of Governing Council with the Celebrant



Former DG and former Chairmen of Governing Council and Managment staff with the Celebrant



The celebrant and some family members







Elder Olu-Ajayi and Alhaji Bello at the ceremony

ASLTON National Executive presenting a retirement gift to the celebrant

ASLTON Oyo State Executive presenting a retirement gift to the celebrant

MPE Results Released: NISLT Engages Stakeholders, DG Bows Out Gracefully

At a stakeholders' meeting held on May 5, 2025, the management of the Nigerian Institute of Science Laboratory Technology (NISLT) officially announced the release of the approved results of the Mandatory Professional Examination, which was conducted on March 25 and 26, 2025. The examination involved participants from 32 institutions across 23 centres, excluding external candidates.

The Director-General presented a statistical overview of the results and expressed sincere appreciation to the Deans and Heads of Departments of Science Laboratory Technology (SLT), as well as to the NISLT Liaison Officers representing the various institutions, for their continued support. During his remarks, he also formally announced his retirement and



Cross section of Heads, Science Labortaory Technology Departments from various institutions across the country

appealed for the continued cooperation of stakeholders with the incoming management.

In response, Professor Emmanuel Osomoh, Head of the Department of SLT at the University of Benin and representative of the stakeholders, applauded the Director-General and NISLT management for their commitment and successful tenure. He reaffirmed the stakeholders' unwavering support and pledged continued collaboration with the new leadership.

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