

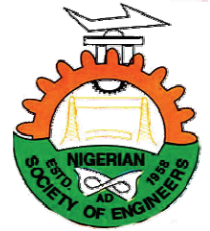


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#### Investiture of Ms. Josephine Tapgun, Hon. Minister of State, Commerce & Industry as an Honorary Fellow of IACE

On Wednesday the 2nd day of February, 2010, the Institute of Appraisers & Cost Engineers organized a dinner in honour of the Minister of State, Commerce and Industry, Ms. Josephine Tapgun. During the dinner, the Minister was conferred an Honorary Fellowship by the Institute.

The Chairman of the occasion Distinguished Senator of the Federal Republic Of Nigeria, Senator Engr. Lee Maeba JP, declared the event open after showering encomium and commendations on the Hon. Minister Of State, Commerce and Industry. The Chairman of the Institute Engr. Chief Giandomenico Massari FNSE (JP), officially inducted the Hon. Minister as an Honorary Fellow of the Institute and remarks of congratulations were noted all round on the deserving initiative. The Minister then took the floor to announce how privileged she was at receiving the fellowship and promised to represent the Institute at all times. Visibly elated, she encouraged the IACE to do more to propagate the ideals of Cost Engineering through more avenues so more Nigerians can be a part of the movement.

A sumptuous dinner was served and felicitations flowed from the entire gathering. The IPC and Dr Charles Mbelede then took turns to conduct the goodwill messages and also expressed their pleasure at how the event turned out. Engr Battah Ndirpaya gave the vote of thanks with special commendation going to the Secretary of the Institute, who also served as the MC, on the success of the event. The event came to an end with closing prayers said by Engr Kwali MNSE.



Engr. Chief Giandomenico (IACE Chairman Massari) presenting a plaque to Ms. Josephine Tapgun as part of the induction ceremony.



Engr. Dr. Mbelede (left), Engr. Ekeocha (3rd left) & Engr. Kwali (4th left)



Sen. Engr. Lee Maeba JP, decorating the Honourable Minister of State, Commerce & Industry.



Engr. Battah Ndirpaya (left), Engr. A. K. Amshi (2nd left), Engr. Otis Anyaeji (3rd left)



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### IA&CE Board of Governors Visits Minister of State FCT

The Board of Governors of the Institute Of Appraisers And Cost Engineers led by the Chairman, Engr. (Chief) Giandomenico Masari FNSE (JP), paid a courtesy visit to the Hon. Minister Of State Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Navy Captain Caleb Olubolade (rt) at his office on Thursday 3rd February 2011. The meeting commenced at 12:30pm with the IACE Chairman conducting the introductions and going further to brief the Minister on what the courtesy visit was about and what the Institute stands for.

After warmly welcoming the representatives of the IACE, the Minister suggested that the Chairman IACE help confirm if his name was indeed in the membership list of the NSE (Nigerian Society Of Engineers) since he has been a practicing Engineer from his days in the Nigerian Navy in the Weapons/Electrical department from 1981. The Chairman IACE stated his intention to oblige the Minister immediately.

The Minister then spoke about his desire to get more Engineers involved in projects and construction endeavours taking place nationwide without altogether being too reliant on the foreign construction companies. The point was to get our own indigenous professionals to get up to speed in specialization in respect to their foreign counterparts and hence enhance the nation's pool of trusted, competent and qualified Engineers. With that said foreign technical input will also be welcomed; but as an advisory role and also to integrate the ever changing face of technological advancement.

Elaborating on his dreams for the FCT and Nigeria in general, the Minister went on to elucidate on his well laid out plans to include providing facilities for local artisans and craftsmen in the area of skill acquisition and specialization. This he said would directly have

a positive impact in the area of employment generation and check-mate incompetence in construction and building.

The Minister rounded off by pledging to operate an open door policy and promised his offices unending cooperation with the Institute. He then assured the IACE that he would send some Engineers for some upcoming training programmes.

The meeting came to an end at 1:15pm with the presentation of a bag, flier, membership register and some recent publications from the IACE to the Honourable Minister.



Engr. Chief Giandomenico Massari FNSE (IACE Chairman) presenting the Institute's materials to the Hon. Minister of State F.C.T., Navy Captain Caleb Olubolade (rt).

### IA&CE 2011 Course Schedule

	Course	Date	Course Coordinator	Venue	Fee (N)	Time
1	A 6-Day course on Valuation Practice & Code of Ethics and Valuation of Machinery & Equipment Part 1	February 21-26, 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N135,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily
2	A 6-Day Certification Course on Project Procurement Management	March 14th – 19th, 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N150,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily
3	A 6-Day Course on Principles of Cost Engineering Practice, Standards & Codes of Ethics and Cost Engineering Part 1	April 4th –9th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N135,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm
4	A 4-Day Accreditation Course on Cost Engineering 2	May 9th—12th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N90,000.00 per participant	9am –5pm Daily
5	A 4-Day Course on Valuation of Machinery and Equipment 2	May 24th—27th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N90,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily
6	A 4-Day Course on Estimation of Civil Quantities	June 13th—16th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N75,000.00 per participant	9am –5pm Daily
7	A 4-Day Certification Course on Project Planning, Scheduling and Control	June 27th—30th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N75,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily
8	A 4-Day Course on Estimating Cost of Pollution Control (Air & Water)	July 12th—15th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N75,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily
9	A 4-Day Accreditation Course on Engineering Economy	August 15th-18th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N100,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily
10	A 4-Day Course on Oil and Gas Economics	September 19th –22nd 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N100,000.00 per participant	9am – 5pm Daily
11	A 4-Day Course on Mechanical Estimating	October 11th—14th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N90,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily
12	A 4 Day Course on Electrical Estimating	November 15th—18th 2011	Secretariat	Abuja	N135,000.00 per participant	9am—5pm Daily