



WELCOME TO OUR Quarterly Newsletter



From the Editor's Desk



As the year 2024 comes to a close, it gives me immense pleasure to present this final edition of the NIIA Quarterly Newsletter. This issue reflects the vibrancy and dynamism of the Institute as we continue to play a pivotal role in shaping Nigeria's foreign policy discourse. The period from September to December has been marked by insightful engagements, critical discussions, and collaborations that solidify our standing as Nigeria's foremost research and advisory think tank.

We invite you to explore this edition and join us in celebrating the milestones achieved as we look forward to a productive 2025.



In this newsletter you will find:

Highlights of our workshops, roundtables, and diplomatic collaborations. Keep Reading!



Training & Workshop

2-6/09/2024

Workshop for a one week advanced training workshop on Research Methodology and Grant Proposal Writing for International Relations Practitioners at the NIIA- Prof Oka Obono, of the University of Ibadan.



Center for Maritime & Ocean Governance

26/09/2024

The second visit of the Spanish Navy vessel to Nigeria with the team and the NIIA having talks on Maritime Security and the Blue Economy with special focus on the Gulf of Guinea.

It is the second time the delegation is paying a visit to the NIIA but this time, the Captain of the Ship, delivered a short presentation on the status of the Gulf from the Lens of the Spanish Navy and how they have been able to make significant progress in managing security within that region.

It was concluded that the Center for Ocean Governance & Maritime Security under the auspices of the NIIA will midwife a Gulf of Guinea Conference in 2025.



Paper Presentation

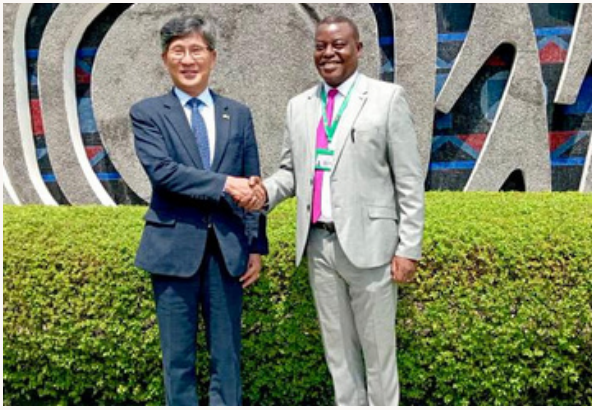
23/09/2024

Assoc. Prof. JAN ZAHOR Presented a paper titled :Czechoslovakia/Czech Republic & Africa: Evaluation of Continuities and Discontinuities in Mutual relations.

It was a most enlightening session as it shed more light on the history and background stories of both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

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Joint Seminar 23/10/2024

The embassy of the Korean Republic in Nigeria and the NIIA had a joint seminar themed “ Korea and Nigeria’s Diplomacy in a Changing world”.

Here, the Research Department of the NIIA spared no thoughts on how relations between the People’s Republic of Korea can enhance their visibility in Nigeria; especially in the area of knowledge transfer.

The Deputy Head of Missions, Ms. Junguen Lee spoke briefly on “Global Pivotal State Strategy After Two Years” while Prof Femi Otubanjo of the NIIA analyzed the 4D Diplomacy after one year in office of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu.



Special Roundtable and Official launch of the Bashir Adeniyi Center for Trade & Investment 24/10/2024

The NIIA held a roundtable under the Chairmanship of Prince Adewole Adebayo to commemorate the official launch of the Bashir Adeniyi Center for International Trade and Investment themed “ Nigerian Trade and Investment: Challenges and Ways Out”.

It was a very colourful event with Comptroller General, CG Bashir Adeniyi being present along with high ranking officers of the Nigerian Customs, Branch Managers of banks, former Governor of Cross River State- Mr. Donald Duke, the Commissioner for Trade, Investment and cooperatives of Lagos State and stakeholders of the import/export sector present to witness the event.



Ambassadorial Forum

30/10/2024

The Ambassador to Spain delivered a talk on the Diplomatic and Economic Relations between Spain & Nigeria. His Excellency Juan Sell in his usual jovial but apt way of communication enlightened the audience on how Spain remains a loyal ally of Nigeria and how Spain is desirous of strengthening these ties even more.

His lucid presentation was capped with a presentation of gifts by the Director General of the NIIA- Prof. Eghosa Osaghae. It was a memorable occasion.



United Nations Day

31/10/2024

**THEME: UN PACT FOR THE FUTURE:
IMPLICATIONS FOR NIGERIA AND AFRICA**

The Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA) in partnership with United Nations Information Centre (UNIC) held a Roundtable Discussion to commemorate the United Nations at 79 years with the theme “UN Pact for the Future: Implications for Nigeria and Africa”. The Roundtable took place at the NIIA ultra-modern Conference Chamber and featured participation from distinguished guests from all walks of life, including the academia, think tanks, diplomatic bodies, Civil Society Organisations, private sector, and the media.



The Director-General of NIIA, Prof. Eghosa Osaghae in his opening remarks, noted that the historical significance of the United Nations and the important role it plays in the world, is the closest to global governance.

Prof. Osaghae also observed that the UN is concerned about issues that have attracted global interests such as peace and security, climate change, disarmament, etc.

He raised questions about uncertainties on if the UN has outlived its relevance and the need to reform the organization, especially the Permanent Seats of the Security Council where Africa has no representation.

He recalled Nigeria’s quest for permanent membership of the UN Security Council.



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Roundtable Discussion

5/11/2024

The NIIA Convened a Special Roundtable on the US Elections. This conversation saw the likes of Prof. Adeniji Adele, Mr. Reuben Abati of Arise News, Mr. Magnus Onyibe, Prof Femi Otubanjo and the DG, NIIA, Prof Eghosa Osaghae shared thoughts on which way the US elections would go even as they analyzed the pros and cons of either candidate winning.

UN World Food Day

5/11/2024

The NIIA in collaboration with UN World Food Day with the theme “Safe food today for a healthy tomorrow” hosted in collaboration with the Hope for Life Initiative

Virtual Meeting with the HSE University Center for Risk & Stability Analysis

12/11/2024

University Centre for Risk & Stability Analysis

The NIIA and the Center got into talks on how to foster partnership and birth the establishment of a consortium to publish a Journal for Institute of Africa Studies. It was attended by the Director General, and Research Fellows of NIIA.

NIIA CHRISTMAS CAROL PARTY

13/12/2024

The NIIA held her 2024 carol on Friday 13th, 2024 and it was super exciting. Having the fantastic Navy Beecroft band grace the occasion, staff and friends of the NIIA sang heartily, the 9 carols of Christmas.

Hohoho!

Season's Greetings and best wishes! On behalf of the Director-General, Prof. Eghosa Osaghae, we extend a warm welcome and hope you have a wonderful time reading.



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