EKO-KONNECT USERS CONFERENCE 2020 – AGENDA			
DAY 1: TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY 2020			
8.00am - 9.00am	Registration and Networking		
09:00 - 10:30	Session I		
		9.00 - 9.15	Welcome Address – *Prof. Charles Uwadia, Chair of the Eko-Konnect Board*
		9.15 - 9.20	Goodwill Message - *Dr Barry Boubakar, CEO, West and Central Research and Education Network (WACREN)*
		9.30 - 10.30	Keynote Address - **"Towards Open Science and Open Collaboration -- The Way of Science in the 21st century"** - *Prof Miho Funamori, Strategy Manager, Research Center for Open Science and Data Platform, National Informatics Institute, Japan*
10:30 - 11:00			Tea Break and Group Photo
11:00 - 13:00	Session II		**BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE AND ROBUST NETWORK FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION**
	Moderator: *Mr Gimba Mohammed* Rapporteur: TBD		
		11:00 -11:30	**Development of National ICT Infrastructure for Education, Research and Learning** *Prof. Muhammad B. Abubakar CEO, Galaxy Backbone Limited*
		11:30 -12:00	**Role of the Internet Exchange Points in a Research and Education Network** *Mr. Muhammed Rudman CEO, Internet Exchange Point of Nigeria (IXPN)*
		12:00 - 12:30	**Overcoming last-mile challenges and connecting rural education communities** *Mr. Wole Abu, CEO, Pan African Towers*
		12:30 - 13:00	**Edge Data Centres for Industrial IoT and ensuring reliable content delivery** *Mr. Ike Nnamani CEO, Medallion Communications*
13:00 - 14:00			LUNCH
14:00 - 16:00	SESSION III		**RESEARCH COLLABORATION, FUNDING AND COMMUNICATION**
	Moderator: *Mr Frank Ugbodaga* Rapporteur: TBD		
		14.00 - 14:30	**Promoting and Funding Research and Education in Nigeria** *Prof. Olufemi Bamiro, Chair, National Research Fund, TETFUND*
		14.30- 15:00	**The Eastern Research and Education Cluster: From Concept to Operation** *Prof. Charles Esimone, Vice Chancellor, Nnamdi Azikiwe University*
		15:00 - 15:30	**The need for Open and publicly available Datasets in Nigeria: The case for Healthcare Research** *Mr. Felix Emeka Anyiam, Data Scientist, CHD, University of Port-Harcourt*
		15:30 - 16:00	**Open Access for Digital Humanities in Nigeria** *Prof. Tunde Opeibi, Chair of the Digital Humanities, University of Lagos*
		16:00 - 16:30	**Science Communication and Collaboration: Tools and Platforms for Internationalizing Nigerian Research** *Mr. Idowu Adegbilero-Iwari, Scholarly Communications Librarian, Elizade University*
DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 29TH JANUARY 2020			
09:00 - 11:00	Session IV:		**E-INFRASTRUCTURES FOR OPEN ACCESS AND OPEN SCIENCE**
	Moderator: *Prof. Charles Uwadia* Rapporteur: TBD		
		09.00 - 09.30	**The LIBSENSE Initiative** *Omo Oaiya, Chief Strategy Officer, WACREN*
		09:30 - 10:00	**Establishing National Repositories: Experiences from Cote D'Ivoire** *Cecile Coulibaly, Deputy Director in charge of Scientific Commissions, UVCI, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire*
		10:00 - 10:30	**JPCOAR and JAIRO Cloud: A Case Study from Japan** *Prof. Kazu Yamaji, Digital Content and Media Sciences Research Division, National Informatics Institute, Tokyo, Japan*
		10:30 - 11:00	**Tooling for Open Access in Covenant University Library: Successes and Challenges** *Dr Promise Ilo, Head Librarian, Covenant University, Ota.*
11.00 - 11.30	11.00 - 11.30		Health Break
11:30 - 13:00	Session V		**PERSISTENT IDENTIFIERS, RESEARCHER VISIBILITY AND SECURE ACCESS**
	Moderator: *Prof. Kazu Yamaji* Rapporteur: TBD		
		11:30 - 12:00	**The role of ORCID for the institution and the researcher** *Nabil Ksibi, Engagement Lead, MEA/Partnership Liaison, EMEA, ORCID*
		12:00 - 12:30	**eduID.ng - Access and Authentication to Nigerian Research Infrastructures** *Owen Iyoha, General Manager, Eko-Konnect*
		12:30 - 13:00	**Introducing the Federated Identity Management For Libraries Initiative (FIM4L)** *Peter Gietz, CEO, DAASI International,Tübingen, Germany*
13:00 - 13:05			Vote of Thanks and Close
13:05 - 14:30			Lunch