

NIGER DELTA RENAISSANCE

MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIP FORUM, ABUJA 2010

Organized in collaboration with

**Centre for International Conflict Resolution (CICR), Columbia University,
Ministry of Niger Delta Affairs, Niger Delta Development Commission, and
National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA)**

JANUARY 28-29, 2010, TRANSCORP HILTON, ABUJA,

Key Speakers/Lecturers/Facilitators:

The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

The Vice President

The President of the Senate
Honourable Speaker, Federal House of Representatives
Executive Governors of Niger Delta States
Local Government Councils Representative
Inspector General of Police
Honourable Minister of Niger Delta Affairs
Honourable Minister of Science and Technology
Honourable Minister of Information and Communication
Honourable Minister of Petroleum
Group Managing Director, Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation
The Director General, National information Technology Development Agency (NITDA)
Executive Vice Chairman, National Communication Commission (NCC)/USPF
The Director General, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Agency (SMEDAN)
The Director General, Raw Material Research and development Council (RMRDC)
Managing Director, Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC)
Amnesty Program Co-coordinator
International Development Partners' Representative
**Centre for International Conflict Resolution (CICR) Representative*
**Global University System (GUS) Representative, Dr. Takeshi Utsumi*
**Millennium Institute (MI) Representative*
Oil and Gas Operators' Representative
NGOs' Representative
Traditional Rulers' Council Representative
Women Organizations Representative
Youth Leadership Groups' Representative
Chambers of Commerce Representative
ICT Sector Representative
Health Sector Representative
Education/Training Sector Representative
Agricultural Sector Representative
Media, Entertainment and Tourism Sector Representative (including Nollywood)
Sports Sector Representative (Football Academies)

day 1: January 28, 2010

SESSION I AM

theme: niger delta renaissance: a rebirth long overdue

- 09:00** **Welcome Address by**
Honourable Minister of Niger Delta Affairs
- 09:15** **Remarks by Rt. Hon. Speaker, Federal House of Representatives**
- 09.30** **Remarks by The President of the Senate**
- 09.45** **Remarks by The Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria**
- 10.00** **Keynote Address by His Excellency, Alhaji Umaru Musa Yar' adua, President, Federal Republic of Nigeria**
- 10.15** **Global Strategies for Post Conflict Development**
by International Development Partners' Representative
- 10:40** **Global Trends in Information and Communication Technology for Development**
by Honourable Minister of Science and Technology,
- 11:00** **Media Literacy: New Opportunities for Human Capacity Building in the Niger Delta** *by The Honourable Minister of Information and Communication*
- 11:40** **Career and Entrepreneurship Opportunities in the Oil and Gas Sector**
by Honourable Minister of Petroleum
- 11:20** **Community Policing: Building Trust and Partnerships with the Community to promote peace**
by Inspector General of Police
- 12:00** Panel discussion: by. DG, NITDA; EVC, NCC; DG;
SMEDAN
- Moderated by Chris Uwaje, Director, NITDA
- 12:30** **Lunch Break**

session II PM

theme: Strategies for sustainable development in the niger delta

02:00 Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships for Local Economic Development in the Niger Delta: The Role of Local Government

by Local Government Councils Representative

2:25 Global University System: Implementing a Wireless Broadband Infrastructure to support, E-Education, E-Learning, E-Government, E-Health, E-Agriculture, E-Everything by GUS representative

02:50 Universal Service Provision Fund (USPF): Opportunities for Universal Access in the Niger Delta

by Executive Vice Chairman, National Communication Commission (NCC)/ USPF

03:15 National Information Technology Development Fund (NITDEF): Ensuring Grassroots Internet Penetration through the Deployment of Rural Internet Resource Centres in the Niger Delta

by Director General, National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA)

03:40 Business Support/Business Information Centres: Creating the hubs for Entrepreneurship and rapid Economic Development in the Niger Delta

by The Director General, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Agency (SMEDAN)

04:05 Modeling the Development of the Niger Delta Economy using System Dynamics

by Millennium Institute Representative

04:30 Peace Dialogue and Social Inclusion: The Foundation for Sustainable Development in the Niger Delta

by CICR Representative

04:55 Local Raw Materials Processing Industry: The Untapped Potential for Entrepreneurship Developments in the Niger Delta.

by The Director General, Raw Materials Research and Development Agency

05: 00 Panel discussion by; GUS , CICR Representative, MI Representative

Moderated by Dr. Takeshi Utsumi

07:00pm

Dinner/Cocktail/

day 2: January 29, 2010

Theme: : MDG 8 GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS FOR DEVELOPMENT (OF THE NIGER DELTA)

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09:00

Opening Remarks

09:30

Identifying Funding Sources

10:30

Multi-Stakeholder Identification and Analysis

11:00

Intervention Programs Identification and Design

11:30 ICT as an Economic Sector and a robust Catalyst for multi-sector productivity growth

12:00

Panel discussion by

Moderated by

12:30

Lunch Break

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02:00

The Role of Civil Society, by

02:30

CSR Initiatives/Organized Private Sector Involvement *by*

03:00

**Collaborative Models for ICT Incubation and Development
*by,***

03:30

**Tapping the Natural Talents of the Niger Delta Youth
*by***

04:00

Panel discussion by

Moderated by

Presentation of Communiqué

Declaration of Closing/Remarks: by