

Welcome Address by Mr. Asishana Okauru, Director General of the
Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF) at the "1st National Round Table
Strategy Session on Internally Generated Revenue" holding from 16th to
18th November, 2009

Protocols

On behalf of the Secretariat of the Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF), I welcome His Excellencies the Executive Governors and members of the Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF) and other distinguished guests and delegates to this event. I would especially want to thank His Excellencies for the support given to the NGF Secretariat to organize this 1st national roundtable strategy session on Internally Generated Revenue (IGR). The speakers, discussants and chairmen of session have all worked hard to make this event possible. Delegates would make this worth its while not just during these three days but more importantly after the event when the strategies discussed translate to actions that would benefit the people of Nigeria.

It gives me great pleasure to invite, the Chairman of the NGF, Dr. Bukola Saraki, Executive Governor of Kwara State to formally declare this 3-day event open. Kindly note that His Excellency is unavoidably absent as he had to travel outside the country at very short notice on a critical assignment. He is however ably represented by His Excellency, the Executive Deputy Governor of Kwara State - Chief Joel Afolabi Ogundeji.

Your Excellency Sir