

**SUMMARY REEPORT OF THE INTERNALLY GENERATED REVENUE
ROUNDTABLE CONFERENCE HELD BETWEEN 16-18, NOVEMBER,
2009 AT THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER, ABUJA**

Even though the conference officially opened on Monday, 16 November, 2009, registration and accreditation of delegates and participants started on Saturday, 14th November, 2009 at the following centres:

ZONE	ADDRESS	BANK
NORTH EAST	ADAMAWA STATE LIAISON OFFICE	UBA
NORTH CENTRAL	PLATEAU STATE LIAISON OFFICE/NICON LUXURY HOTEL	FCMB
SOUTH-SOUTH	RIVERS STATE LIAISON OFFICE	GTB
NORTH-WEST	KATSINA STATE LIAISON OFFICE/NICON LUXURY HOTEL	SKYE BANK
SOUTH-EAST	ENUGU STATE LIAISON OFFICE	ZENITH BANK
SOUTH-WEST	LAGOS STATE LIAISON OFFICE	AFRIBANK

The opening ceremony was officially declared open by His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Ebonyi State, Chief Martin Elechi on behalf of the Chairman, Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF), Dr. Bukola Saraki, who was unavoidably absent while the Welcome Address was read by the Director General, NGF, Mr. Asishana B.Okauru.

The first day of the event had the following Governors in attendance:

1. Chief Martin Elechi - Ebonyi State
2. Dr. Emmanuel Uduaghan - Delta State
3. Liyel Imoke - Cross River State
4. Murtala Nyako - Adamawa State
5. Adams Oshiomole - Edo State
6. Otunba Gbenga Daniel - Ogun State
7. Chief Ikedi Ohakim - Imo State

The following Deputy Governors represented their States:

1. Chief Joel Ogundeji - Kwara State
2. Patrick Yakowa - Kaduna State
3. Musa Ibeto - Niger State
4. Michael Abdul - Nasarawa State

The first paper of the first session was presented by HE, Comrade Adams Oshiomole, the Governor of Edo State on **Rebuilding Tax payers'**

Confidence: the Confluence between Good leadership and Internally Generated Revenue. The session was chaired by Governor Martin Elechi of Ebonyi State and the discussants were Governors Gbenga Daniel of Ogun State, Ikedi Ohakim of Imo State.

The second paper was presented by a representative of the Lagos State Governor on **Re-engineering State Tax administration Strategies, Systems and Processes: Lessons from Lagos State** and the third paper was delivered by HE, Liyel Imoke, the Executive Governor of Cross River State. The Deputy Governors present were all discussants at this session.

On the second day of the conference, Tuesday, 17th November, 2009, the first session was chaired by Alhaji Mansur Muhtar, the Honourable Minister of Finance. The first paper was presented by Mrs. Bimpe Balogun on behalf of Professor Taofeeq Abdulrazaq on **Reviewing the 7 'S' framework of states and Local Government Internal Generation Mechanism.** The discussants for the session were Alhaji Ibrahim H. Dankwabo, accountant-General of the Federation, Igho Dafinone of Howarth Dafinone and Co.

The second paper was presented by Gerald Ilukwe, Managing Director of Galaxy Backbone delivered a paper on **The Role of Information and Communication technology in Improving and Simplifying Internal Revenue Generation Capacity of States and Local Governments.** Maduka Emelife discussed the paper.

The last paper was presented by Mrs. Ifueko Omoigui-Okauru, Chairman, Joint Tax Board and Executive Chairman, Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS) on Professionalising the Tax Administration System: a Paradigm Shift. The paper was discussed by Professor Deji Ojo of Center for Development Studies, Ibadan, Prince Kunle Quadri, President, Chartered Institute of Taxation of Nigeria, Mr. Oluwarotimi Akeredolu, SAN, President, Nigeria Bar Association and Chief (Mrs) Iyamide Gafar, FCNA, President, ANAN.

On the third day which was chaired by Frank Nweke Jnr, former Minister and Director General, Nigeria Economic Summit Group (NESG), there were break out sessions for the participants to harvest ideas and fashion out the way forward for the States. At the end of the exercise, a Communique was presented.

On the third day also, two deputy Governors (Kwara and Kogi States) were present.

Please, find below summary of the participants:

- i. South South - 72
 - ii. North East - 64
 - iii. South West - 131
 - iv. South East - 79
 - v. North Central - 182
 - vi. North West - 51
 - vii. Special Invitees - 64
- Total - 643**

Please, find attached:

- i) The papers presented
- ii) CD of the electronic media coverage (AIT)
- iii) Newspaper coverage
- iv) Interim financial Report
- v) Communique reached at the Summit