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Announcement of the

3rd AFTRA Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference

Collocated with the

5th AFTRA Roundtable

June 09-15, 2014

(GHANA 2014)

1. INTRODUCTION

AFTRA hereby announces its 3rd Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference and 5th Roundtable which are collocated and shall hold in the Republic of Ghana, June 09-14, 2014. The Conference was instituted to provide opportunities for exchange of best practices and interaction between AFTRA (the regulators of the teaching profession in Africa) and members of the global community particularly the academia, Information and Communication Technology experts, employers of teachers, teachers unions, governments, international development partners, non-governmental organisations, and the general public. The Roundtable serves as the Annual AFTRA General Assembly for member organisations.

Past AFTRA Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference were hosted by the Ministries of Education, Republic of Benin and the Kenya Teachers Service Commission, Republic of Kenya in 2012 and 2013, respectively. Previous AFTRA Roundtables were also hosted as follows: Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria (2010); South African Council for Educators (2011); Tanzania Teachers Union (2012) and Kenya Teachers Service Commission (2013).

2. SCHEDULE OF THE CONFERENCE AND ROUNDTABLE

By AFTRA's tradition, two major events take place the same week and venue to maximize benefits of collocation. Accordingly, the following is the schedule for the **3rd AFTRA Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference** and **5th AFTRA Roundtable**:

Monday June 10, 2014:

Arrival of AFTRA members and conference participants

Tuesday – Wednesday, June 11-12, 2014:

3rd AFTRA Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference

Thursday June 13, 2014:

Tour/Cultural Nite (for both AFTRA members & conference participants)

Friday June 14, 2014:

Departure of conference participants/

5th AFTRA Roundtable takes off

Saturday 15, 2014:

Departure of AFTRA members

NOTE:

The conference is open to all interested participants within Africa and around the world, but the Roundtable which holds on Friday June 14, 2014 is ONLY for AFTRA members (organisations).

3. VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE AND ROUNDTABLE

The Conference and Roundtable will take place at the **Mensvic Grand Hotel, East Legon, Accra, Republic of Ghana.**

4. PATRON OF THE CONFERENCE AND ROUNDTABLE

The Patron of the Conference and Roundtable is the **Minister of Education, Republic of Ghana**

5. HOST OF THE CONFERENCE AND ROUNDTABLE

Ghana Education Service, Accra Ghana.

6. CO-HOST

Ghana National Teaching Council

7. PARTNERS

University of Cape Coast; University of Education, Winneba; and Ghana National Association of Teachers.

8. THEME OF THE 3RD AFTRA TEACHING AND LEARNING IN AFRICA CONFERENCE AND 5TH ROUNDTABLE

Theme of the *3rd AFTRA Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference and 5th Roundtable* is
“Holistic Education for Contemporary Africa”

9. SUBTHEMES

The sub-themes of the Conference and Roundtable are:

- ✚ Current methods of teaching: Prospects and challenges
- ✚ Language of Instruction
- ✚ Ethical issues in the teaching and learning process
- ✚ Roles and responsibilities of private schools
- ✚ Safety in schools
- ✚ Teacher Qualification Framework for Africa
- ✚ Total Teacher Professional Development
- ✚ The education of learners in conflict areas
- ✚ The education of learners with special needs
- ✚ Education for good governance in Africa
- ✚ Other related matters

10. THE AFTRA JOURNAL

The *AFTRA International Journal of Teaching and Learning in Africa* has been instituted to publish quality papers presented at the Conference each year.

11. BRIEF ON AFTRA

Africa Forum of Teaching Regulatory Authorities (**AFTRA**) is an association of the Teaching Regulatory Authorities in African countries. AFTRA is also a subset of the world body of Teaching Councils, called the International Forum of Teaching Regulatory Authorities, IFTRA. (Please visit IFTRA's website: www.iftra.org)

The organisations that make up AFTRA and IFTRA are established by the statutes/constitutions of the respective countries to regulate and control the teaching profession in the countries. The key aims of AFTRA and IFTRA are to promote the professionalisation of teaching globally, set international standards for the profession and facilitate co-operation among member nations for the benefit of the education systems of the various countries.

12. PRESIDENCY OF AFTRA

The Chief Executive Officer, South African Council for Educators (SACE) is the current President of AFTRA, with the following address:

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Pretoria
South Africa*

13. AFTRA HEADQUARTERS

Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN) is AFTRA Headquarters, with the following address:

*Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria
(Federal Ministry of Education)
Headquarters
12 Oda Crescent, Off Aminu Kano Crescent
Wuse 2, PMB 526 Garki
Abuja*

14. MEMBERSHIP OF AFTRA

Full Membership of AFTRA is open to:

- Teaching Councils of African countries;
- National Teachers Service Commissions; Education Service Commissions; etc.

- National/Federal/Provincial/Regional Ministries of Education;
- National Civil Society Organisations (CSO) in the area of Teacher Education and Practice
- National Teachers Unions of African countries; and
- Organs of the African Union and International Development Partners.

15. SUBMISSION OF PAPERS FOR THE 3RD AFTRA TEACHING AND LEARNING IN AFRICA CONFERENCE

Papers must be prepared in accordance with the **Writing Guide** of the *AFTRA International Journal of Teaching and Learning in Africa*, available on AFTRA website, www.trcn.gov.ng/aftra. Essentially, papers must be typewritten in two columns, single-spaced on A4 size paper and Microsoft Word format saved with the **author's surname**. Margins must comply with the following specifications: Top-1" (2.54cm), Bottom- 0.8" (2cm), Left- 1.3" (3.3cm) and Right- 0.5" (1.3cm). The two columns must each be 3.08" (7.8cm) width with a bridge (gutter) of 0.3" (0.8cm). All papers submitted will be reviewed and feedback given to authors within the stipulated timeline. **Deadline** for submission of papers is **February, 27, 2014**. Result of paper assessment will be communicated to authors on or before **April 30, 2014**.

15. PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fee for the *3rd AFTRA Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference* is **250 British Pounds or 400 US Dollars if paid before the Conference or 300 British Pounds or 490 US Dollars if paid at the Conference venue**. Conference participants whose papers are accepted must pay the conference registration fee not later than **May 15, 2014** to have their papers **published** in the **CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS** that will be distributed at the conference. **The conference fee covers conference programme, conference bag, tea and lunch for three days (June 11-13, 2014); certificate of attendance, and cultural nite entertainment and refreshment.**

All payments are to be made to the following AFTRA domiciliary (foreign) accounts:

British Pound Account:

Bank Name: First Bank Nigeria Plc.

Bank Street Address: Plot 777, Mohammed Buhari way, P.M.B 374, Central Business District City: Abuja

Country: Nigeria

Account Name: Africa Forum of Teaching Regulatory Authorities

Account No: 2023346118 (Domiciliary Account GBPE)

Sort Code: 405204

Swift Code: FBN IGB2L

US Dollar Account:

Bank Name: First Bank Nigeria Plc.

Bank Street Address: Plot 777, Mohammed Buhari way, P.M.B 374, Central Business District

City: Abuja

Country: Nigeria

Account Name: Africa Forum of Teaching Regulatory Authorities

Account No: 2023346022 (Domiciliary Account USD)

Sort Code: 011150000

ABA: 026002561

Swift Code: SCBLUS33

Intending participants within Nigeria should simply go to **First Bank Nigeria Plc** nearest to them and pay their **Pounds** or **Dollars** CASH into the **AFTRA Account Numbers** indicated above,

Participants remitting funds to the AFTRA accounts from abroad must consider bank charges and ensure that the conference registration fee is the net fee to reach the designated AFTRA accounts. Once accurate fees are reflected in the bank accounts, AFTRA will email acknowledgement to the participants concerned. However, participants must bring to the conference venue the acknowledgement, bank tellers and related documents used for the payment or money transfer for authentication and issuing of AFTRA Receipt.

Participants can also pay their conference fees through credit card using the following steps:

- Fee Payable: Master Card ☐ Visa Card ☐ Interswitch ☐ ETranzact ☐
- Exp. Date:

16. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

All intending participants whether or not they are presenting papers must register in advance by completing and mailing back the AFTRA Conference/Roundtable 2014 registration form to AFTRA Headquarters via the email: infoaftra@trcn.gov.ng and copy drsteve44@yahoo.com and hbokunola@yahoo.com. The registration form is available on TRCN website www.trcn.gov.ng, AFTRA website: www.trcn.gov.ng/aftra, SACE website: www.sace.org.za, website of the Ghana National Association of Teachers, www.ghanateachers.org, and other member countries' websites. Participants whose completed conference registration forms are received shall get official invitation to the Conference.

17. TRAVEL INFORMATION

The Mensvic Grand Hotel, venue of the events has reserved accommodation at lower rates for participants on first come first served. Participants are advised to contact the hotel for their accommodation reservation. Where the rooms in the hotel are sold out, the hotel will still assist participants in securing alternative hotels. Please use the following contact:

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Other general/logistical information will be provided to registered participants in due course.

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South African Council for Educators website - www.sace.org.za

Ghana National Association of Teachers website - www.ghanateachers.org

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