



**Social Science Academy of Nigeria
(founded in 1983)**

Activities

In furtherance of its mandate, the Academy organizes the following activities:

Annual Lectures

Eminent scholars and other public-spirited persons deliver the Academy's annual lectures on critical development issues. The aim of this activity is to establish a forum for dialogue among social scientists and the Nigerian public. The list of past lectures is as follows:

Annual Lectures of the Social Science Academy of Nigeria 1984-1999

S/N	Guest Speaker	Title of Lecture	Venue	Date Delivered
1.	Prof. E. U. Essein-Udom	Social Science and Public Policy: The Missing Link	Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, Lagos	December 1984
2.	Prof. O. Aboyade	Economic Masquerades	Ditto	December 1985
3.	Prof. G. O. Olusanya	Attempts at Nation-building: A Study in Poverty of Imagination and Creativity	Ditto	December 1986
4.	Prof. Femi Odekunle	Human Rights, Economic Reconstruction and Return to Civil Rule: The Reality of a Policy Package	Ditto	December 1987
5.	Prof. Adeoye Akinsanya	Illusions of State Power: Transnational Corporations and Indigenization of African Economies	Ditto	December 1988
6.	Prof. Ayo Banjo	The Future of Scholarship in Nigeria	Ditto	October 1998

The Annual General Assembly

The Academy holds general assemblies biennially on selected themes of interest to members and the Nigerian society. The general assemblies offer the members of the Academy, Nigerian scholars, and researchers the opportunity to review activities and to take crucial decisions on issues affecting the Academy. Finally, elections to fill vacant positions in the Executive Board/Committee of the Academy are held during general assemblies.

Annual General Assemblies of the Social Science Academy 1983-1999

S/N	Theme	Venue	Date
1.	Brain Storming Session on Structure and scope of the Social Science Academy of Nigeria.	Nigerian Institute of Inter-national Affairs, Lagos	February 1984
2.	The Social Sciences in Nigeria: Issues and Directions for the 1990s	University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt	April 1986
3.	Governmental Systems and Nation Development: Issues and Perspectives	Conference Centre, University of Ibadan, Ibadan	June 1987
4.	Social Defense, Internal Security and Rural Development	Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	July 1988
5.	Towards a Stable and Viable Third Republic	Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research, Ojo, Ibadan	July 1989
6.	Development at the Grassroots in the 1990s	Institute of Development Studies, University of Nigeria, Enugu	May 1990
7.	Nigerian in a Changing World Order	University of Benin, Ugbowo Campus, Benin City	July 1991
8.	University Governance in Nigeria	Hill Station Hotel, Jos	March 1994
9.	Social Science and Public Policy in Nigeria	University of Lagos, Lagos	March 1996
10.	Environment and Sustainable Development in Nigeria	National Women Development Center, Abuja, F.C.T.	July 1997
11.	Reflection on 50 Years of Social Science Education in Nigeria	National Women Development Center, Abuja, F.C.T	July 1999

12.	Paths to the Sustainability of Higher Education in Nigeria	Pioneer Hotels, Abuja, F.C.T.	July 2001
13.	Ethics in Higher Education in Nigeria	Pioneer Hotel, Wuse Zone 4, Abuja	July 2003
14.	Whither Nigeria?	Pioneer Hotel, Wuse Zone 4, Abuja	August 2005

Programmes

The Academy organizes research competitions with the support of national and international funding agencies. The grants obtained to-date are as follows:

Funding Agency	Project	Coordinator(s)
Ford Foundation 1:	Research Project on Small-Scale Food Processing and Distribution in Nigeria – 38 Projects; 1987-1988; US\$190,000	Professor (Mrs.) P.K Makinwa-Adebusoye
Ford Foundation 2:	Phase 1: Contemporary Development Issues in Nigeria – 58 Projects; 1989-1990, US\$200,000	Professor Mike O. Ogbonna

Ford Foundation 2;	Phase 2: Socio-economic Development Issues in Nigeria -50 Projects; 1990-1991, US\$200,000	Professor Mike O. Ogbonna
SSCN/NISER/ IDRC	Research Projects on Liberalization Policies in Nigeria- 32 Projects; 1992-1995 Can.\$404,320	Professors A.O Phillips; Layi Erinoshio and D.O Ajakaiye
Ford Foundation 3:	Phase 1: University Governance (for female junior level academic staff) -16 Projects.	Professor A.T Gana
Ford Foundation 3:	Phase 2: University Governance (for senior level academic staff) 8- Projects.	Professor A.T Gana
Ford Foundation 3:	Phase 3; Social Science and public policy in Nigeria (for senior level academic staff) – 7 Project; 1994- 1997; Total for all components = US\$525,000	Professor A.T Gana

Ford Foundation	Small Grants Programme and Organizational Strengthening; US\$425,000	Professor A.T Gana
Ford Foundation	Capacity enhancement for the Social Science in the 21 st Century, US\$500,000	Professor Layi Erinoso
John D and Catherine T Mac Arthur Foundation	Case Study of Nigerian Universities,2001-2002 (US\$200,000)	Professor Layi Erinoso
The Rockefeller Foundation	Case study of Nigerian Universities, 2001-2002 (US\$34,550)	Professor Layi Erinoso
Carnegie Corporation of New York	Case study of Nigerian Universities, 2001-2002 (US\$34,700)	Professor Layi Erinoso
Ford Foundation	Case study of Nigerian Universities, 2001-2002 (US\$25,000)	Professor Layi Erinoso
ILO, Abuja	The Integration of child Labour Courses into University CURRICULA in Selected Universities in Nigeria,(US8,611)	Professor Layi Erinoso
National Action Committee on AIDS [NACA]	An AIDS Awareness project in the Federal capital Territory, (N10,000,000)	Professor Layi Erinoso
CROP/ UNESCO	Law and poverty in Africa Workshop (US\$30,000)	Professor Layi Erinoso
SIDA/ CODESR IA	Social Science and HIV/AIDSIN Africa Workshop (US\$16,500)	Professor Layi Erinoso
Office of The Vice President, The Presidency, Abuja.	Nigeria/South Africa Bilateral Relations Project (N1,000,000)	Professor Layi Erinoso
WHO	Ethics in Public Health in Africa (\$75,000)	Professor Layi Erinoso
TETFund	Support for Publication (N5,000,000)	Prof. U.A. Igun
Federal Ministry of Science and Technology	Support for Academy (N5,000,000)	Prof. U.A. Igun
Ford Foundation	Support for Social Inclusion and Social Inequality Conference (US\$35,000)	Prof E. Alamika & Prof. Layi Erinoso
Federal Minisrry of Technology	Support for Academy (N5,000,000)	Prof. U.A.Igun
Gpnbe State Government	Support for General Assembly 2021 (N1,500,000)	Prof. U.A. Igun
IDRC/SSAN/TOWN/-TALK	Support for Granstmanship Workshop Gombe 2021 (N2,000,000)	Prof. Lai Erinoso

The Structure and process for the Implementation of the Academy's Programmes

The Academy has developed a structure and process for its research competitions. On the receipt of a grant for such competition from a funding agency, the Academy calls for proposals from

interested persons through hand bills/flyers and advertorial in newspapers. Prospective grantees are requested to prepare their proposals, using the Academy's Application Form, which incorporates all the key elements in a research proposal. The proposals are then reviewed by an independent panel of distinguished social science scholars drawn from universities and research institutes in the country. The comments and recommendations of the Assessment panel are considered by the project committee of the Academy, which in turns recommends fundable projects to the Executive Board. The Executive Board reviews the reports of the project committee and selects fundable proposals based on the recommendations of the project committee.

Selected teams and/or solo researchers are normally invited to a pre-proposal workshop at which they present their proposals before special invited scholars. The conceptual and methodological bases of the project, including the budgets, are reviewed in great details during the workshop. Comments, which will enable the awardees to improve/revise penultimate draft reports are officially documented and passed on to them for the preparation of their final report.

The first installment of the approved budget for each project is released at the close of the workshop to facilitate the take-off of project.

A concluding workshop is also normally organized. Awardees are expected to submit draft reports of their projects prior to the workshop and are invited to present their findings before those who previously participated in the pre-project workshop. Comments that will enable the awardees to improve on the penultimate draft report are officially documented and passed on to them for the concluding working.

The release of funds is in four installments: (a) the first installment is released at the pre-project workshop; (b) the second on the receipt of a satisfactory progress report which outlines the work undertaken so far; (c) the third on the receipt of the final draft; and (d) the fourth after the certified final report has been submitted by an awardee to the Academy.