

## Transition, Transformation and Sustainable Institutions

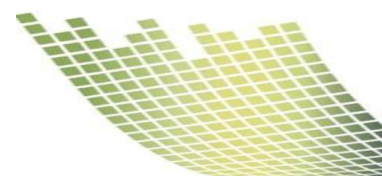
### #NBA2018AGC UNVEILED

President of the Nigerian Bar Association, Abubakar Balarabe Mahmoud, OON, SAN, Friday unveiled the theme for this year's Annual General Conference of the association, with the hope that "the Conference will assert the leadership position of NBA around the world."



Members of the Technical Committee for Conference Planning (TCCP). From L-R: Inna Ali Esq; John Austin Nwachukwu Esq; Executive Director NBA; Mrs. Ramatu Umar Bako; President of the Nigerian Bar Association(NBA) A. B. Mahmoud OON, SAN, Chairman Technical Committee on Conference Planning (TCCP); Mr. George Etomi, Aisha Umar Esq; Adesina Adegbite Esq, Princess Frank-Chukwuani Esq, Wada S. Wada Esq, Victor Frank Briggs Esq and Muritala Abdul-Rasheed; Member and Chief of Staff to the NBA President.

The 2018 AGC of the NBA themed "TRANSITION, TRANSFORMATION AND SUSTAINABLE INSTITUTIONS"; was unveiled at a media launch on Friday June 29, 2018 along with the Annual General Conference logo, programmes and official website – [www.nbaconference.com](http://www.nbaconference.com).



The NBA President recalled that, at the last Conference, the conversation centred around “African Business: Penetrating through Institution Building” and It is therefore appropriate that the theme of the #NBA2018AGC stands on the tripod of “Transformation, Transition and Sustainable Institutions”. He noted that without smooth transition, there can be no strong institutions.



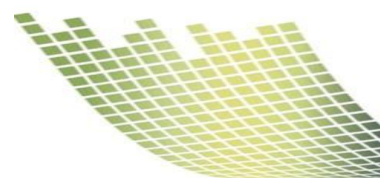
**NBA President; A. B.Mahmoud OON, SAN and TCCP Chairman Mr. George Etomi**

The NBA President anticipates an improvement on the achievements of last year's conference which recorded an attendance of 12,248 delegates with 142 Speakers in 52 sessions. He noted that two global media organizations, DSTV and CNBC have been commissioned for full coverage and live broadcast of the conference.

He thanked the Chairman of the Technical Committee for Conference Planning (TCCP), Mr. George Etomi and his members for a job well done and called on lawyers to take advantage of the 'Early Birds' offer to avoid paying high fees for the Conference.

Earlier on, Chairman of TCCP, Mr. George Etomi gave an overview of the conference which he categorized into five broad sessions namely: Political Transition and Governance; Technological disruptions; Diversity and Inclusion; Sustainable Economic Development and Rule of Law & Security.

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He stressed that the Conference will focus on how transitions are handled in critical spheres of human endeavors and the strength of institutions to withstand the shocks that may be incidental to change.



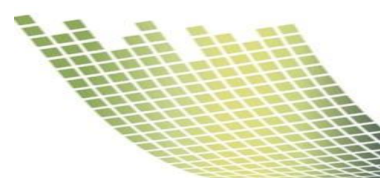
TCCP Chairman, Mr. George Etomi, showing details of the website features and functionalities

Mr Etomi noted that, NBA Annual General Conference is a convergence of prominent legal practitioners, pioneers, influencers and leaders drawn from government, business, professional services, academia and politics from around the globe. "This year we have invited some world leaders, thought leaders and influencers including His Excellency, Nana Akufo Addo President of the Republic of Ghana to deliver the keynote speech.

We have also received confirmation of attendance from key partners. The American Bar Association, The Bar Council of England and Wales and a host of other reputable international development partners.

He concluded by saying that, last year conference has set a standard; "and we cannot afford to perform below that standard,"

The Executive Director of NBA Secretariat, Ms. Ramatu Umar Bako had earlier underscored the paramount importance of the forthcoming Conference which she described as the largest



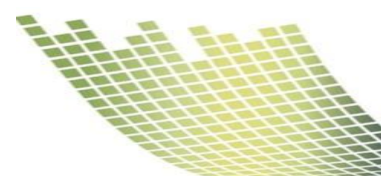
gathering of lawyers anywhere in the world that will be discussing issues that are pivotal to the socioeconomic and political stability of the continent.



**Mrs. Ramatu Umar Bako; Executive Director of the NBA**

The conference website, [www.nbaconference.com](http://www.nbaconference.com) was unveiled by the TCCP Chairman, showing details of its features and functionalities, which include online registration facilities for the conference, the distinguished personalities billed to address the conference and other social activities.

The media briefing was well attended by Bar Leaders, members of the Technical Committee for Conference Planning (TCCP) including; Muritala Abdul-Rasheed, Chief of Staff to NBA President and Head Media and Publicity Bureau of TCCP, John Austin Nwachukwu Esq National Publicity Secretary of the NBA; Adesina Adegbite Esq; Welfare Secretary, Executive Director NBA; Mrs. Ramatu Umar Bako, Victor Frank Briggs Esq, Princess Frank-Chukwuani Esq, Wada S. Wada Esq, Aisha Umar Esq; and Inna Ali Esq; among others.



Please follow the conference on the following social media handles and accounts to stay up-to-date with Conference information and activities:

- ✚ Twitter | Instagram: @NBAConferenceNG
- ✚ Facebook: Nigerianbarassociationconference

Welcome to the **#NBA2018AGC ... #ABraveNewBar!!!**

**Signed:**

**#NBA2018AGC Media and Communications Bureau (NMCB)**  
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