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Interview with Dr Leo N. Okereke, FNATE, on NATE

Dr Leo N. Okereke, FNATE, is the President of Nigerian Association of Technologists in Engineering (NATE). He is a member of COREN Council.

E-Newsletter: *What is NATE?*

Dr. Okereke: NATE is a professional body for Higher National Diploma (HND) graduates.

E-Newsletter: Sir, for Higher National Diploma holders who don't know about the Nigerian Association of Technologists in Engineering, what do you have to tell them.

Dr. Okereke: Well what I have to tell them is that the Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) has made it clear to Polytechnic students that the Nigerian Association of Technologists in Engineering is their professional body but you know what happens in the polytechnics, the NSE mem-

bers and university graduates that lectures in the polytechnics do not tend to tell the students about their professional body until COREN did so. Since then we have been having polytechnic students registering as members of the Nigerian Association of Technologists in Engineering.

E-Newsletter: *What advice do you have for the young Higher National Diploma graduates?*

Dr. Okereke: The advice I have for HND students and graduates is that they should be disciplined. If they are disciplined then they will also be disciplined professionals so that when they come out, they will not cut corners and also they should emulate their predecessors.

E-Newsletter: Thank you sir.



R-L: Engr. Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE, Engr. Mrs. Anthonia Ohagwa, Engr. Prof. H. I. Hart FNSE, Engr. Babagana Mohammed FNSE, Engr. Ademola I. Olorunfemi FNSE (President of NSE), Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson (NSE PH Branch Chairman), Engr. Mrs. Margaret Oguntala FNSE, Engr. Akinteye Olatunde, Engr. Denis Dania FNSE & Engr. Ovens Ehimatie during the NSE President's brief visit to Port Harcourt Branch.



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Photo Right: R-L: Engr. A. I. Olorunfemi FNSE (President of NSE), Engr. Prof. H. I. Hart FNSE, Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson MNSE (NSE PH Branch Chairman) & Engr. Denis Dania FNSE during the brief visit of NSE President to Port Harcourt.

Photo Left: NSE President Engr. A. I. Olorunfemi FNSE (2nd from right of middle row) in Bonny during the inauguration of the 2nd Chairman of NSE Bonny Branch Engr. Sir D. G. Clifford MNSE (right of front



Chairman of NSE PH Branch Chairman Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson MNSE (left) and NSE PH Branch General Secretary Engr. Precious Bob-Manuel MNSE during the Nigerian Society of Engineers Pot Harcourt Branch general meeting held on Thursday 28th August 2014 at the Branch secretariat. Engr. Denis A. A. Dania FNSE, making a presentation on Project Management during the Nigerian Society of Engineers Pot Harcourt Branch general meeting held on Thursday 28th August 2014 at the Branch secretariat.

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