



# FUTA NEWS

## **US CONSULATE, FUTA TO DEEPEN COLLABORATION**

The Public Affairs Officer of United States Consulate General, Lagos Darcy Zotter has signified the readiness of the consulate to partner with the Federal University of Technology Akure (FUTA) on academic, exchange and research related programmes. Zotter stated this during a working visit to the university. She said due to FUTA's pedigree in research and related activities which recently culminated in the award of 2017/2018 FULBRIGHT Senior Research Scholarship to Dr (Mrs.) Folasade Olajuyigbe of FUTA's Department of Biochemistry, the consulate would want a strengthened relationship with FUTA. She also encouraged FUTA staff and students to participate in the Mandela Washington Fellowship saying it would be an opportunity for FUTA students and middle level academic and non-academic staff to broaden their horizon and tap into cutting edge fellowship that would advance their careers.

Responding the Vice Chancellor, Professor Joseph Fuwape commended the effort of the consulate at ensuring the advancement of academic and research related efforts of the University. Professor Fuwape said FUTA has institutionalized international collaborations going by extant working relationships with some key global Universities and institutions. He told his guests that the Fifth Batch of FUTA students recently departed for Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU),USA to complete their studies in fulfilment of the collaboration between both institutions, The vice Chancellor emphasized that FUTA will continue to welcome collaborations in its areas of core competence stressing that the partnership with the consulate will be a win win situation for FUTA and the Consulate. Professor Fuwape

also commended Dr (Mrs.) Folasade Olajuyigbe, FULBRIGHT Senior Research Scholar, for her contributions to the deepening of the University's global rating and also encouraged staff and students to take a cue from her.