



May 2006 Newsletter

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NEWS

SMEDEx

Due to logistic reasons, the timetable for the program had to be re-adjusted. We expect that the programme will commence soon. Details of the date will be communicated to you shortly.

Business Without Borders-

The proposal for the commencement of the project is ready. The Launch will hold in June, 2006.

Prospective Signatories

Membership drive is ongoing. Prima Garnet, one of the advertising giants in Nigeria whose values align with that of the organization has agreed to sign on to the convention. Other organizations are being contacted as well.

Meetings and Presentations During the Month

- Core-Group Meeting-
- The meeting of the Core-Group members held on

We welcome you to another month as gradually we are getting mid-way into the year. This presents us with opportunities as individuals and organizations to re-visit our strategies for the year go back to the drawing board and work out a plan that is more feasible and realistic, in other to ensure that we meet our set objectives for the year. We have had cause as an organization to revisit our plans and work out more tangible ways to ensure that we are successful in our undertakings. We welcome you to a time of new beginnings.

FORUM

The third term bid of some of our elected representatives has come, failed and gone. We have learnt some lessons from the whole saga as it unfolded. Looking beyond this, we are concerned that the polity does not make provision for a succession plan that would ensure that another is groomed to take over from the President. One of the key attributes that ensures that a business entity is a continuum is the fact that people are groomed early enough to take over responsibilities when they attain a certain stage. The whole idea is to show that the business is bigger than one particular individual. If all those campaigning for a third term for the President were serious about it they would have a plan B somewhere which would be that if President Obasanjo is not allowed to rule, then another person who is able to follow his program on Reforms is able to take over from him if the people so desire.



Do you have a view/comment on this?
Please submit to info@theconvention.org

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

To put the world right in order, we must first put the nation in order; to put the nation in order, we must first put the family in order;



to put the family in order, we must first cultivate our personal life; we

must first set our hearts right

Confucius

Thursday, 25th May 2006.
Outcome of the meeting shows that deliberations were successful

UPCOMING EVENTS

CBi

- **Business Action Against Corruption (BAAC)**-Due to reasons of logistics has been scheduled to take place on June 22nd, 2006. Venue is the Main auditorium of The Pan African University.
- **National Assembly Training**- CBi has been commissioned to train Key Staff of the National Assembly on Budget Analysis and related issues. Details of the schedule for training will be communicated shortly.
- **Vmobile Signing Ceremony**-The Telecommunication giant has reached the final stages of signing on to the Convention. A media event is being planned for June 2006.
- **GT Bank**- We await feedback from the bank as they are at the final stage of completing their registration process.
- **Federal Inland Revenue Service**- As part of the tax reforms being carried out by FIRS, CBi has been slated for a project that will ensure transparency and accountability in the tax process.
- **Focus Group Discussion**- Due to the massive success of the first one, another group discussion has been scheduled for June 15th, 2006. This we hope will build up publicity for the BAAC event in June 2006.

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