

## **PRESS RELEASE ON THE 1ST NAS SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE**

About 300 scientists will be gathered on the 4th and 5th of February, 2020, at the Multipurpose Hall, University of Lagos, for the 1<sup>st</sup> NAS Scientific Conference themed ‘The Role of Science in Attaining the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)’.

The conference is framed around five sub-themes as follows:

- Science for poverty reduction
- Revitalizing Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education
- Innovations for health
- Energy solutions and environmental sustainability
- Ensuring food security in Nigeria.

The conference would feature a few invited presentations, alongside several oral and poster presentations of original research.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) intended to be achieved by year 2030, provide guidelines for nations around the world to ensure that their citizens are assured of sustained socioeconomic growth, and a better future. Many of the goals including climate change, food security, health, energy, are entrenched in science and innovation. Therefore, as part of the Academy’s mission to promote original scientific research, and to disseminate scientific information concerning issues of national relevance, the Nigerian Academy of Science (NAS) is holding its first scientific conference, to discuss how science can facilitate the achievement of the SDGs.

The conference will showcase original scientific research and discoveries, disseminate scientific information concerning issues of national relevance, create a platform to discuss scientific issues of societal significance, and foster networking and collaboration among Nigerian scientists towards better research and innovation.

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