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## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Time	Activities	Action
<b>Day 1: Wednesday, Sep 1, 2021</b>		
Introduction and Opening Session		
08:00AM - 9.20AM	<b>ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION</b>	
9.20AM - 10.00AM	National Anthem Open Remarks and Goodwill messages	Dr. Majority Oji - Vice President, ACSPN South-South Prof. Umaru Pate - ACSPN President & Vice Chancellor, Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State. Special Guest of Honour and Chief Host- His Excellency <b>Governor Nyesom Wike, Rivers State.</b> Host - Prof. Nlerum Sunday Okogbule, Vice-Chancellor, Rivers State University <b>Goodwill Messages</b> Mr. Mamadou Lamine Sow, Office in charge, UNESCO Regional Office, Abuja. Prof. Chris Ogbondah, University of North Iowa Dr. Richard Amadi - HOD, Mass Communication Department, Rivers State University Mrs Abosede Adebayo NTA, South-South Zonal Director Mrs. Stella Jibrin Nigerian Press Council
10.00AM - 10.20AM	Keynote Address: Role of the Media in Accountable Government and Peace in Society	Dr. Jossy Nkwocha [FNIPR] Group Head, Corporate Communications, Indorama Eleme Petrochemicals and Fertilizer Ltd
10.20AM - 11.00AM	Special Panel Session: The Media are not Dead? Are Canons Shifting? [20minutes] Discussion [20minutes]	Main Speaker: Dr. Lasisi Olagunju Editor, Saturday Tribune <b>Discussants:</b> Dr. Chido Onumah Coordinator, African Centre for Media & Information Literacy, Abuja & Vice President, ACSPN North-Central. [Lead Discussant] Pastor Paulinus Nsirim - Commissioner of Information and communication Dr. Edith Ohaja University of Nigeria, Nsukka Dr. Ahmad Shehu American University of Nigeria, Yola.
11.00AM - 11.20AM	ACSPN Book Launch: Knowledge Societies: AI and the Media  ACSPN Book 6 [Review]	Review by: Dr. Dare Ogunyombo, Associate Director, Brooks and Blake Nigeria Limited, Lagos.

11.20AM - 11.40AM	Lead Paper Presentation: Driving Development Through Targeted Engagements	Mr. Igo Weli GM, External Affairs, Shell Petroleum Development Company, Port Harcourt.
11.40AM - 12NOON	Discussant - Lead Paper	Prof . Ayobami Ojebode Department of Communication and Language Arts, University of Ibadan.
12.00PM - 12.10PM	<b>BREAK [STRETCH]</b>	Group Photograph
<b>Sessions: Masterclass and Syndicates</b>		
12: 10 PM- 12.40PM	Masterclass Session [30minutes each]	Dr. Ola Ogunyemi [ University of Lincoln, UK] - Documenting the Research Process
12.40PM - 1.10PM	Masterclass Session [30minutes each]	Leveraging Digital: Building a Personal Brand - Mrs. Florence Olumodimu [Programme Director, DigifyProNG]
1.10 PM - 2.00PM	<b>LUNCH</b>	
<b>2.00PM - 4.00PM</b>	<b>SYNDICATE SESSIONS</b>	
	<b>Syndicate 1</b>  Citizen participation, accountability and governance  Citizen participation in Governance, Media Ownership and Control  Governance, secrecy, and the media	<b>CHAIR: Prof. Umaru Pate</b>  <b>EMERGENT THEMES AND FRAMES IN ELECTION COMMUNICATION RESEARCH IN NIGERIA: THE 2015 AND 2019 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS.</b> Charles C. Okigbo, PhD, North Dakota State University, Fargo, U.S.A. Bala Musa, PhD, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, U.S.A. Muhammad Musa, PhD, UAE University, Abu Dhabi, UAE  <b>MEDIA , DEMOCRATIC SUSTAINABILITY AND MONETISATION OF ELECTIONS IN NIGERIA</b> Sharafa Dauda, PhD, Department of Mass Communication, University of Maiduguri  <b>CITIZENS PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE: MEDIA OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF THE BROADCAST MEDIA IN NIGERIA</b> Collins Kediehor, PhD, Directorate of Research and International Programmes, Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Nigeria Lawrence Ekwok PhD, Department of Mass Communication, University of Calabar, Calabar, Nigeria  <b>CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOVERNANCE IN NIGERIA</b> Ibe Nkechinyere MagdaleneAwo, Mass Communication Department ,Akanu Ibiam Federal Polytechnic, Unwana,Ebonyi State.

		Asogwa Fidelis Ndidiamaka, Mass Communication Department ,Akanu Ibiam Federal Polytechnic, Unwana,Ebonyi State Orji-Egwu Agatha Obiageri, Ph.D, Mass Communication Department, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State.  <b>MEDIA, AGENDA SETTING AND CITIZENS PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE</b> Azubuike Okeh, News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) Daniel Progress Umor, PhD Department of English and Communication Arts, Faculty of Humanities, Ignatius Ajuru University of Education  <b>RADIO-TELEVISION USES IN THE 2019 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN</b> Aniemeka, Osita. ICDA, Musa, Bala, Azusa Pacific University (USA) Anho, Erere Joy, Delta State Polytechnic, Ogwashi Uku, Delta State  <b>MEDIA AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNANCE</b> Aniekan James, Dr. Uduak Akpan and Effiong Udofia, Department of Mass Communication, Akwa Ibom State Polytechnic, Ikot Osurua, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State.
	<b>Syndicate 2</b>  Digital Culture and accountability in governance Social Media, citizen participation and accountability	<b>CHAIR: Prof. Rotimi Olatunji</b>  <b>GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF SOCIAL MEDIA, ITS IMPLICATION ON CITIZENSHIP PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE</b> Chika Thonia Ezeali, Department of Mass Communication, Alex Ekwueme Federal University Ndufu -Alike, Ikwo. Ebonyi State. Adeola Sidikat Oyeleke, Department of Mass Communication, Alex Ekwueme Federal University Ndufu-Alike, Ikwo. Ebonyi State Eberechukwu Gloria Nwodu, Department of Mass Communication, Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University Igbariam, Anambra State.  <b>DIGITAL CITIZENS AND YOUTH MOBILIZATION IN 2020 END SARS PROTEST IN NIGERIA: APPRAISING THE PLACE OF CITIZENSHIP IN A PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY</b> Linus I. Ogbuoshi, PhD Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu State, Nigeria Samuel C. Nwamini, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State, Nigeria

		<p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA OR SOCIAL MENACE? TWITTER BAN AND THE CITIZENS FURY: IMPERATIVE OF CITIZEN ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNANCE PROCESS</b> Ojo, Cornelius Segun Ph.D. Department of Journalism and Media Studies, Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo</p> <p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA AND #ENDSARS PROTEST AS PROGNOSIS OF YOUTH AGENDA SETTING FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE</b> Samuel Okere, Ph.D1; Olusoji Samson Olatunji2; Karibi Benson Bobmanuel3 &amp; Emike Oyemade4 1Department of Mass Communication, Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State. 2Department of Mass Communication, The Polytechnic Ibadan, Oyo State. 3Department of Mass Communication, Ken Saro-Wiwa Polytechnic, Bori, Rivers State. 4Department of Mass Communication, Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State.</p> <p><b>TWITTER AS PUBLIC SPHERE FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE ACTIVISM: A STUDY OF #EndSARS EMOJI USE AMONG BABCOCK UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATES</b> Margaret Solo-Anaeto, PhD, Patricia E. Ernest-Onuiri, PhD, Omolayo O. Jegede, PhD, Olamide Abraham Department of Mass Communication, Veronica Adeleke School of Social Sciences, Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun state.</p> <p><b>TWITTER, CITIZENS PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNANCE: ANALYSIS OF THE #ENDSARS PROTESTS</b> Umefien Dakoru Epepe/ Izunna Okpala, Department of Communication Studies National Institute for Nigerian Languages, Aba Abia State, Nigeria</p> <p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA USERS' PERCEPTION OF TWITTER BAN IN NIGERIA</b> Mohammed Auwal UMAR, Department of Mass Communication, University of Maiduguri, Borno State. Khadija Lawal, Social Media Manager, Media Trust Limited (Daily Trust Online)</p>
	<b>Syndicate 3</b>	<b>CHAIR: Prof. Godwin Bassey Okon</b>
	Media, citizen participation and peace  Media accountability and Peace	<p><b>PEACE JOURNALISM AND MEDIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AMONG JOURNALISTS IN EBONYI STATE IN RESOLVING EFFIUM AND EZZA EFFIUM CRISIS</b> Adeola Sidikat Oyeleke, Department of Mass Communication, Alex Ekwueme Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ikwo, Ebonyi State. Wealth Akudo Udo, Department of Mass Communication, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki</p>

	Media and accountability in governance  Media, Accountability and Political Stability	<p><b>INVESTIGATING MEDIA ROLE IN ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS IN THE SOUTH-EAST, NIGERIA.</b> Ifeyinwa Nsude, Ph.D, Department of Mass Communication, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki. Williams, Emeka Etumnu , Department of Mass Communication, Imo State University, Owerri.</p> <p><b>MEDIA, DEMOCRACY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN NIGERIA: A CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF SOME OF THE MAJOR STUMBLING BLOCKS</b> Chris Wolumati Ogbondah, Ph. D., Professor of Journalism, University of Northern Iowa, USA</p> <p><b>COMPROMISING MEDIA IN NIGERIA: WHO WILL HOLD GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABLE?</b> Okoro, Louisa Nkechi, Ph.D, Okodogbe, Peggy Ezinne, Etumnu, Emeka Williams, Akwari Chika Onwukwe Department of Mass Communication, Imo State University, Owerri.</p> <p><b>MAKING TEENAGERS SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS THROUGH EARLY COMMUNICATION TO COUNTER PEER INFLUENCE AND CURB THE CRIME WAVE IN NIGERIA</b> Agatha Orji-Egwu PhD, Department of Mass Communication, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki. Adeola Sidikat Oyeleke, Department of Mass Communication, Alex Ekwueme Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ikwo, Ebonyi State. Nkechinyere M.A. Ibe, Mass Communication Department, Akanu Ibiam, Federal Polytechnic, Unwana. Fidelia N. Asogwa, Mass Communication Department Patience Basil-Eze, Department of Mass Communication, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki</p> <p><b>MEDIA AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNANCE</b> Okoji, chukwudinma; Okoji, morenikeji; Abdulquadir, Babatunde; Arowosaye, Akeem Department of Mass Communication Federal Polytechnic, Offa.</p> <p><b>ASSESSMENT OF SOUTH-EAST RESIDENTS' PERCEPTION OF BROADCAST MEDIA COVERAGE OF UNKNOWN GUN MEN ATTACKS IN NIGERIA.</b> Ijeoma Njideka Taiwo, Department of Mass communication, Alex-Ekwueme Federal University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State.</p>
	<b>Syndicate 4</b>	<b>CHAIR: Dr. Sunny Mbazie</b>
	Gender, media, accountability and governance	<p><b>WOMEN IN POLITICS: AN EVALUATION OF PEOPLE'S VOICE OF DARLING FM AND PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY OF HOT FM PHONE IN PROGRAMMES</b> Nkwam-Uwaoma, Adeline O. PhD, Okodogbe, Peggy Ezinne, Dibia, Peter Nnadozie, Department of Mass Communication, Imo State University Owerri</p>

<p>Multiculturalism, Diversity, accountability, and governance</p> <p>Media accountability and Peace</p> <p>Media Ethical Issues, accountability, and governance</p>	<p><b>GENDER AND GOOD GOVERNANCE IN NIGERIA: WHAT ROLE FOR THE MEDIA</b> Chioma Ifeoma Agbasimelo PhD, Department of Mass Communication, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State.</p>
	<p><b>INFLUENCE OF RADIO PEACE MESSAGES ON THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN PEACE BUILDING PROCESSES IN NIGERIA. (A STUDY OF WOMEN IN OGUN STATE)</b> Omowumi Bukola Olaseinde, PhD, Adegoke Raufu, PhD, Chiamaka M. Ihiasonwu</p>
	<p><b>THE QUEST FOR PEACE: FAKE NEWS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS PRACTICE IN OIL RICH NIGER DELTA REGION OF NIGERIA</b> Christian Chinedu Odoemelam, Ph.D &amp; Wilson Seiyefa Clifford - Department of Mass Communication, Igbinedion University, Okada. Edo State.</p>
	<p><b>SURVEY OF ETHICAL ADHERENCE TO THE JOURNALISM CODE OF CONDUCT BY JOURNALIST IN IMO STATE .</b> Odionyenma, Chimeremeze Uzundu; Tayo-Garbson, Sheba Umbule; Njoku, Chinenye &amp; Edet, Aniekan Department Of Mass Communication, Federal Polytechnic Nekede, Owerri.</p>
	<p><b>MEDIA, ACCOUNTABILITY AND POLITICAL STABILITY</b> Aniekan James, Uyo Ned &amp; David Udo, Department of Mass Communication, Akwa Ibom State Polytechnic, Ikot Osurua, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State.</p>
	<p><b>MEDIA PORTRAYAL OF WOMEN IN GOVERNANCE: WHAT HAS CHANGED?</b> Ojjakor, Ifeoma C., PhD - Department of Mass Communication, Imo State University, Owerri.</p> <p>Nwaozor Augustus Onyekachi - Directorate of Information and Public Relations, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo State.</p>
	<p><b>ARGUMENTS FOR UNDERSTANDING UNITY IN DIVERSITY: IDENTITIES, DEMOCRATIC POLITICS AND IRREDENTISM IN NIGERIA</b> IKORO, Nwokezi John FFIF, (IFFAN) Alumni, Nigeria MA, Communication &amp; Development (Ohio University, Athens City County), USA B.Sc., Mass Communication (RSU, Nkpolu-Oroworokwo), Port Harcourt City Senior Lecturer, Department of Mass Communication Captain Elechi Amadi Polytechnic Rumuola, Port Harcourt</p>

4.00PM - 5.00PM	Annual General Meeting (Restricted to ACSPN Members)	Prof. Nosa Owens-Ibie - General Secretary, ACSPN & Vice Chancellor, Caleb University, Imota, Lagos.
5.20PM - 8.00PM	<b>GALA NIGHT</b>	ACSPN 2021 LOC
<b>Day 2: Thursday, Sep 2, 2021</b>		
8.00AM - 9.30AM	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	
9.30AM - 9.50AM	Review of Day 1 Session	Dr. Ifeyinwa Nsude - Vice President, ACSPN South-East
10.00AM - 10.50AM	Lead Paper: Saving Journalism and Regulating Big Tech: What Could Work in Africa?" [30minutes]	Anya Schiffrin  Director of the Technology, Media, and Communications (TMaC) specialization at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), and a lecturer at the School of International and Public Affairs [USA]  <b>Discussion:</b> 20mins - Dr. Chido Onumah
10.50AM - 11.50AM	Female Researchers Panel: Governance, Women, Media, and Inclusive Society [30minutes]  Discussion [ 30minutes]	<b>Chair:</b> Prof. Oluyinka Esan [ ACSPN Deputy President] <b>Lead Speaker:</b> Prof. Eylem Atakav, University of East Anglia, UK. <b>Discussants</b> Hon. (Mrs). Inime Aguma Commissioner for Women Affairs Rivers State Ms. Constance Ikokwu, Doctoral researcher, Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain Dr. Titilayo Osuagwu Lecturer, Department of Linguistics and Communication Studies, University of Port Harcourt. Ms Ngozi Marion Emmanuel - PhD researcher, University of Leicester, England & Lecturer, Department of Mass Communication, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State.
11.50AM - 2.00NOON	<b>BREAK [STRETCH]</b>	
12.00NOON - 12.30PM	Masterclass/Poster/video presentations [30minutes each]	Dr. Ola Ogunyemi University of Lincoln, UK Publishing in Refereed Journals
12.30PM - 2.30PM	<b>SYNDICATE SESSIONS</b>	
	<b>Syndicate 1</b>  Public Relations, accountability, and Governance	<b>CHAIR: Dr. Richard Amadi</b>  <b>PUBLIC RELATIONS, ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOVERNANCE: THE MEDIA RELATIONS PERSPECTIVES OF THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT</b>

<p>Public Relations, accountability, and peace</p> <p>Advertising, accountability, and Governance</p> <p>Citizen participation in Governance, Media Ownership and Control</p>	<p>Collins Kediehor, PhD - Directorate of Research and International Programmes, Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Edo State. Omoko Nicholas - Department of Mass Communication, Wellspring University, Benin City, Edo State.</p> <p><b>DELIVERING GOOD GOVERNANCE TO CITIZENS: A LOOK AT GOVERNMENT PUBLIC RELATIONS</b> Usman Ibrahim Abubakar, PhD - Department of Mass Communication, Faculty of Communication, Bayero University, Kano State.</p> <p><b>10 YEARS OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT IN NIGERIA: THE JOURNEY SO FAR, PROSPECTS AND CHALLENGES AMONG MEDIA PRACTITIONERS</b> Philip Teniola David, Sanyaolu Oluwaseyi - Department of Mass Communication, Dominion University, Ibadan. Oyo State. Emmanuel O. Sijuade - Department of Journalism and Media Studies, Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo State.</p> <p><b>INFLUENCE OF HOT FM "PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY" PROGRAMME ON THE FORMATION OF PUBLIC OPINION AMONG RESIDENTS IN OWERRI MUNICIPAL, IMO STATE</b> Orji, Uchenna Franklin 1; Okolie, Uloma Rosemary PhD - Department of Mass Communication, Imo State Polytechnic, Umuagwo.</p> <p><b>FRAMING AS A PREDICTOR OF MEDIA CAPTURING: EVIDENCE FROM 2019 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS IN NIGERIAN NEWSPAPERS</b> Jude Nwakpoke Ogbodo, PhD - Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki. Dr. Gregory Obinna Ugbo - Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Stella Jibrin - National Press Council. Henry Chigozie Duru, PhD - Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka.</p> <p><b>MEDIATIZATION, POLITICAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND THE THEATRICS OF POLITICIANS IN NIGERIA</b> Patricia E. Ernest-Onuiri PhD - Department of Mass Communication, Veronica Adeleke School of Social Sciences (VASSS) &amp; Margaret Solo-Anaeto PhD, Omolayo O. Jegede PhD - Babcock University Ilishan-Remo, Ogun state.</p> <p><b>CITIZENS PARTICIPATION AND POLITICAL ACCOUNTABILITY ON SOCIAL MEDIA: REAL OR IMAGINARY?</b> Endwell Onyinye Obinichi-Aaron (Ph.D) - Department of Mass Communication, Captain Elechi Amadi Polytechnic, Rumuola, Port Harcourt.</p>
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<p><b>Syndicate 2</b></p> <p>Data-driven Journalism and Accountability and governance</p> <p>Digital Culture and accountability in governance</p> <p>Social Media, citizen participation and accountability</p>	<p><b>CHAIR: Prof. Joseph Wilson</b></p> <p><b>IMPLICATIONS OF USING TWITTER TO COORDINATE ACTIVIST CAMPAIGNS AND PEACEFUL PROTESTS AGAINST BAD GOVERNANCE IN NIGERIA: A STUDY OF #ENDSARS AND #ENDBADGOVERNANCEINNIGERIA</b> Edikan Nseobong Ukpog - Department of Mass Communication, Akwa Ibom State University.</p> <p><b>IF THEY CAN'T FIGHT FOR US, WE FIGHT FOR OURSELVES: THE ROLE OF SOCIAL MEDIA IN CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN THE FIGHT AGAINST INSECURITY IN NIGERIA</b> Ezinne Chioma Abaneme, Ngozi Eje Uduma (PhD), &amp; Chinedu Jude Nwasum - Department of Mass Communication, Alex Ekwueme Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ikwo, Nigeria</p> <p><b>ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR ACCOUNTABLE BROADCAST JOURNALISM IN NIGERIA</b> Joe Wilson - Department of Mass Communication, University of Maiduguri Chidinma Henrietta Onwubere, Ph.D - Department of Mass Communication, National Open University of Nigeria, Abuja</p> <p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA AND #ENDSARS PROTEST AS PROGNOSIS OF YOUTH AGENDA SETTING FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE</b> Samuel Okere, Ph.D &amp; Emike Oyemade - Department of Mass Communication, Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State Olusoji Samson Olatunji - Department of Mass Communication, The Polytechnic Ibadan Karibi Benson Bobmanuel - Department of Mass Communication, Ken Saro-Wiwa Polytechnic, Bori, Rivers State.</p> <p><b>INFLUENCE OF SOCIAL MEDIA ON TRUST AND CITIZENS PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE IN NIGERIA.</b> Solomon Abiodun Oyeleye &amp; Ifedolapo Ademosu, Department of Mass Communication, Caleb University, Imota. Lagos State.</p> <p><b>GOVERNANCE AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA: THE VERIFIABILITY OF THE IMPACT BY THE ENUGU METROPOLIS RESIDENTS</b> Samuel Ifeanyi Ezema PhD - Department of mass communication, Institute of Management and Technology, Enugu State.</p> <p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA FOR CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE AND PEACE IN NIGERIA</b> Obiageli Pauline Ohiagu - University of Port Harcourt, Rivers State.</p>
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		<p><b>THE 'HUMAN CLONE' STORIES FROM A SEAT OF POWER: HOW SOCIAL MEDIA AMPLIFIES CONSPIRACIES IN NIGERIA</b> Tsegyu Santas PhD &amp; Kelvin Inobemhe - Department of Mass Communication, Nasarawa State University, Keffi. Ezekiel S. Asemah PhD - Department of Mass Communication, Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa.</p> <p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA, CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE GOVERNANCE OF RIVERS STATE</b> Daniel, Progress Umor, PhD - Department of English and Communication Arts, Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Port Harcourt, Rivers State. Titilayo Remilekun Osuagwu, PhD - Department of Linguistics &amp; Communication Studies, University of Port Harcourt, Rivers State.</p>
	<p><b>Syndicate 3</b></p> <p>Media Ethical Issues, accountability, and governance</p> <p>Media and Information Literacy, governance, and accountability</p>	<p><b>CHAIR: Prof. Femi Okiemute Shaka</b></p> <p><b>AN APPRAISAL OF ETHICAL ISSUES IN REPORTAGE OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOVERNANCE IN SOUTHEAST NIGERIA.</b> Nkwocha Chike Martins , Okoye Loveth - Department of mass communication Imo State University, Owerri.</p> <p><b>OPTIMIZING THE POWERS OF MUCKRAKERS IN THE ANTI-GRAFT WAR AND PROMOTION OF GOOD GOVERNANCE IN NIGERIA</b> Windy S. Alikor and Chieme C. Azubuike - Department of Mass Communication, Captain Elechi Amadi Polytechnic Rumuloa, Port Harcourt. Rivers State.</p> <p><b>MEDIA AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNANCE OF PANDEMICS: A TEXTUAL ANALYSIS OF NEWSPAPER REPRESENTATION OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN NIGERIA</b> Peter Iorper Ugondo - Department of Mass Communication, Benue State University, Makurdi. Janet Aver Adikpo - Faculty of Communication, Eastern Mediterranean University, Cyprus.</p> <p><b>ROLE OF MASS MEDIA IN PROMOTING ACCOUNTABILITY AMONG PUBLIC OFFICE HOLDERS IN NIGERIA</b> Prof. Chibueze Linus Ogbuoshi - Department of Mass Communication, Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu State.</p> <p><b>POLITICAL PARTICIPATION IN THE FACE OF MEDIA CENSORSHIP: TACKLING THE NIGERIAN CONUNDRUM</b> Edith U. Ohaja, PhD - University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Enugu State.</p>

		<p><b>INFLUENCE OF RADIO PEACE MESSAGES ON THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN PEACE BUILDING PROCESSES IN NIGERIA.(A STUDY OF WOMEN IN OGUN STATE)</b> Omowumi Bukola Olaseinde, PhD - Department of Mass Communication, Achievers University, Ondo State. Adegoke Raufu, PhD &amp; Chiamaka M. Ihasonwu - Department of Mass Communication, Moshood Abiola Polytechnic, Ogun State &amp; Oluwole Shokunbi - Ministry of Information and Strategy, Ogun State.</p> <p><b>NIGERIAN SECURITY CHALLENGES AND SOCIAL MEDIA AS THE SCAPEGOAT: UNDERSCORING THE DRIVE TOWARDS REGULATION AS A MISPLACED PRIORITY</b> John Moses Maikomo, Ph.D.- Department of Political Science &amp; International Relations, Taraba State University &amp; Tordue Simon Targema - Department of Mass Communication, Taraba State University, Jalingo.</p> <p><b>SURVEY OF ETHICAL ADHERENCE TO THE JOURNALISM CODE OF CONDUCT BY JOURNALIST IN IMO STATE .</b> Odionyenma, Chimeremeze Uzundu; Tayo-Garbson, Sheba Umbule; Njoku, Chinenye &amp; Edet, Aniekan Department Of Mass Communication Federal Polytechnic Nekede, Owerri.</p> <p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS AND THEIR EFFICACY FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND POLITICAL PARTICIPATION IN DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE</b> Abdulrasheed Ajibola Saadudeen - Department of Mass Communication, Kwara State Polytechnic, Ilorin, Kwara State. Professor Adesina Lukuman Azeez - Department of Mass Communication, University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Kwara State.</p> <p><b>INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, THE KEY FOR SECURITY AND PEACE IN VOLATILE SOCIETIES: A STUDY IN RIVERS STATE, NIGERIA.</b> Dr. Marie C. Obasi</p> <p><b>UBLIC'S NEWS LITERACY AND USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA FOR NEWS IN FIVE STATES IN NIGERIA</b> Ngozi Comfort Omojunikanbi Ph.D - Department of Linguistics and Communication Studies, Faculty of Humanities, University of Port Harcourt, River State Nigeria.</p>
	<p><b>Syndicate 4:</b></p> <p>General: Media and Accountability</p>	<p><b>CHAIR: Prof. Adesina Lukuman Azeez</b></p> <p><b>MEDIA BILL, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND CHALLENGES OF ACCOUNTABILITY: MAKING A CASE FOR CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE</b> Afolabi, Ismail Olaitan - Department of Linguistics &amp; Communication Studies, Osun State University, Osogbo, Osun State</p>

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