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# Dr. Reuben Okereke in Nigeria appointed PMWJ Honorary Academic Advisor

## Doctor of quantity surveying and sustainable development at Imo State University in Owerri, Nigeria joins international advisory team for PM World Journal and Library

4 January 2023 – Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria and Dallas, Texas, USA – PM World has announced the appointment of **Dr. Reuben, A. Okereke** as an honorary academic advisor for the *PM World Journal* (PMWJ) and PM World Library (PMWL). Dr. Okereke is the immediate past head of the Department of Quantity Surveying at Imo State University in Owerri, Nigeria and a visiting/adjunct Associate Professor and head of Department of Quantity Surveying at Gregory University, Uturu, Nigeria.

Q.S. Dr. Reuben A. Okereke, PhD QS & Sust. Dev., MSc. Const. Mgt., MSc. Env. Res. Mgt., PG.Dip. Proj. Mgt., H.Dip. QS, BSc. Const. Mgt. (San Diego), FRQS, FIIA, ACIArb, CIPM, MAACEI., recently concluded his third term as the head of department of Quantity Surveying, Imo State University Owerri, Nigeria and currently serving as the head of department of Quantity Surveying at Gregory University, Uturu, Nigeria, in adjunct capacity. He is a multitalented and erudite scholar and a versatile professional with academic qualifications in Quantity Surveying, Project Management, Construction Management and Environmental Resources Management. He teaches and supervises undergraduate and



graduate students and conducts research on these topics and others at the universities.

His Quantity Surveying professional experience of a little over three decades spans his employment with consultancy and construction firms in Lagos, Nigeria, work as project manager in the Banking sector for eight years, and in-house consultant quantity surveyor for several years for the Imo State University, Owerri, Nigeria. He has experience as Consultant Quantity Surveyor in private practice as well as several years of teaching in both the University and Polytechnic. His uncommon combination of exceptional industrial and teaching experience stands him out among all his peers and contemporaries both in Nigeria and the global community and has added overwhelming impetus to the quality of teachings received by his students all this years, as well as the quality of his research outputs.

His research interest includes: Construction Contract Management, Construction Project Management, Construction Project Procurement Management, Construction Economics and Project Cost Control, Sustainable Construction, Environmental Impact Assessment and Sustainable Development as well as Energy Resources and Development in Sub-Saharan Africa. He has published extensively in these areas in the national and international journals in particular. Dr. Okereke recently received a group research grant worth millions of naira, as a group leader/principal researcher, from the Tertiary Education Trust Fund of Nigeria (TETFund) with the approval of the Imo State University Management, on the topic: "Unbundling Socio-Political Dynamics Underpinning the Nigerian Energy Crisis". His Google Scholar profile can be viewed at:

https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=3agm20IAAAAJ.

See his honorary advisor profile at <a href="https://pmworldlibrary.net/dr-reuben-okereke/">https://pmworldlibrary.net/dr-reuben-okereke/</a>

According to PMWJ editor David Pells, "I am happy to welcome Dr. Reuben Okereke to our global advisory team. The PMWJ has welcomed articles and papers by authors from Nigeria for many years. Many of those, including Dr. Okereke, are academic and graduate researchers from major universities. I thought it high time to add a Nigerian academic leader to our advisory team."

Dr. Okereke stated, "I have authored and co-authored papers published in the PMWJ on several occasions, and have come to recognize the publication as an important outlet for researchers and practitioners to share research results and information. I am honored by this new recognition and look forward to contributing to the journal and library."

Pells added, "Many project management professionals in North America do not know much about quantity surveying or its relationship to project management. In much of Africa and many other parts of the world, quantity surveying goes hand-in-hand with engineering, construction and project management. Perhaps Dr. Okereke's participation on our advisory team can help breach that knowledge gap."

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The Imo State University (IMSU) in Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria was established in 1981 through law No. 4 passed by the Imo State House of Assembly. The University was established to encourage the advancement of learning through teaching and research; to foster creativity, discipline, and inventiveness, as well as patriotism and community service in Imo State of Nigeria in particular, Nigeria in general, and the world at large. Within the ambit of its legislated and conventionally understood mandate, which is to extend higher education to all qualified persons, the Imo State University has set for itself the target of becoming a first-class university. It is determined to promote academic pursuits to the highest possible standards while retaining community services as one of the cornerstones of its raison d' etre. In pursuant of its set goals, most of the programmes of the university have obtained full accreditation from National Universities Commission of Nigeria (NUC) and relevant professional bodies. IMSU as it is popularly called in Nigeria, has affiliations and also enjoys exchange programmes with some reputable universities in North America and Europe. It was in recent past ranked as number one (1) state university in Nigeria, and number ten (10) among all federal, state and private universities in Nigeria.

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