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**BRIEF WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE DIRECTOR OF ICT, PROF GODFREY E. AKPOJOTOR AT THE TRAINING WORKSHOP ON PREPARING, APPROVING, UPLOADING AND UPDATING THE CONTENTS OF DIRECTORATES' WEBSITES HELD ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2024 @ THE ICT DIRECTORATE HALL, SITE II, DELSU, ABRAKA**

On behalf of myself and the entire ICT Staff, I warmly welcome our Vice Chancellor and ICT advocate, Professor Andy Ogochukwu Egwunyenga, to this auspicious workshop to continue the remarkable advancement of ICT in your time. It is pertinent to state that the Vice Chancellor has kept his promise of gracing this occasion even with the very demanding and challenging transition period.

Thank you Sir for all your support!

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) encompasses all the diverse technologies involved in creating, storing, modifying, analyzing, and transmitting information at various levels of human engagements hence it has become the driver in all human activities directly or indirectly. In the acceptance speech at the handover ceremony to our Vice Chancellor, Professor Egwunyenga on December 1, 2019, he unequivocally stated that **he was going to drive the University using ICT to be among the best state University in the country**: As I chronicled in my Chapter 12 of the *Long Walk to Greatness: DELSU @ 30*:

*On assumption of duty, the first step Professor Egwunyenga took was to direct all academic staff to duly register in Google Scholar with their publications and their profiles fully captured in the University website. This had an immediate positive outcome as the improvement on the visibility of the University propelled its ranking from the 78<sup>th</sup> position to 38<sup>th</sup> position only a few months later and then 31<sup>st</sup> position in about a year. This quantum leap in ranking is a testament of how the Vice Chancellor understanding, leadership and simple application of the ICT potentials can drive the University image, ranking, modernization and internationalization.*

Today and still counting, DELSU has been continually rising in various ranking bodies and our ICT continually fast growing. With due regards to the University Committee headed by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration), Prof Rosemary Okoh, on the Tenure Report which be published in the coming days, permit me to let a bit of the cat out of the bag as I inform all of us that we should look forward to reading about the very remarkable and enriching **PROGRESS/ACHIEVEMENT REPORT OF THE ICT DIRECTORATE FROM APRIL 2020 – DATE**.

Today's Workshop is part of the progress march of ICT under the committed leadership of Prof Egwunyenga. But even more so this event is unique because it is ICT simple way of thanking him by making one of his strong wishes realize fruition: Developing and deploying robust websites for the University Directorates which he sees as the very important vehicles for driving various aspects of the University. The Workshop objectives are as follow:

1. Training of the Directors and their Assigned Website Administrators on the rules and guidelines for approving contents in the websites
2. Training of the Assigned Website Administrators on how to prepare, upload and update the contents in their websites.

It is our hope that we will meet these objectives so that the Directorate websites will truly become their global image makers.

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