

Profile of Prof Sidi Osho Nee Andu



Professor Sidi Osho is the Pioneer & Past Vice Chancellor, Afe Babalola University, and the Chairperson of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Network for Africa (FANRPAN) and the President/Founder of Sidi Osho Foundation, Nigeria

An award winning, outstanding, and hardworking Agriculture and Higher Education Expert that is action and result oriented; highly productive academic, with leadership qualities managing multi-disciplinary projects. With over 35 years' experience in administration, strategic planning, International and Private Sector Partnerships. An International Scientist that graduated from Michigan State and Ohio State University in USA worked with the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), and in several African countries in Agriculture.

Prof Sidi Osho has strong interpersonal skills successfully demonstrated in both national and international assignments. She has travelled widely in Africa and all over the World while managing research projects for International Development Research Center, Canada (IDRC). United Nation Children Education Fund, (UNICEF), World Bank and UNDP.

Prof Sidi Osho was appointed as the Pioneer Vice Chancellor of Afe Babalola University in January 2010. She brought a wealth of experience in administration, strategic planning, International and Private Sector Partnerships, teaching, research, food security and development to the Institution which brought it to the World Class level in a period of 4 years.

Prof Sidi Osho developed several food processing equipment's for crops and conducted National and International trainings all over the world and collaborates with many scientists in Nigeria, Ghana, Cote d'Ivoire, Kenya, Uganda, Malawi, Togo, Republic of Benin, Senegal, Madagascar in the area of Agriculture, Food Science, Food Systems, education and recently Tourism and Hospitality Management.

Prof Sidi Osho has worked as Lead Consultant on several agricultural projects in Nigeria and in Africa. I have worked with people from multi-cultural and ethnic backgrounds both at International and National levels developing, implementing, monitoring and evaluating several projects that are house- hold, small scale and industrial technologies for agricultural raw materials and its value chain.

Prof Sidi Osho is the Chairman of the board of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Network for Africa (FANRPAN) and a Board member of Biotechnology Society of Nigeria (BSN). A member of Board of African Infrastructure Development Partnership (AFIDEP) and an Adviser to Global Alliance for improved Nutrition; (GAIN).

She is a member of over 17 professional societies that include both National and International societies. She has attended over 100 conferences all over the world

presenting conference papers in Higher Education, post-harvest, food processing, Nutrition, Agriculture, Hospitality & Tourism.

She has over 160 publications, some of which are published in learned journal proceedings, monographs, books chapters, training manual etc.

Prof Sidi Osho has become involved in several initiatives to improve quality of lives of people and communities and our Africa: thus, the founding of Sidi Osho Foundation (SOF). www.sidioshofoundation.org

SOF's mission is to contribute to the growth of human development and alleviating poverty in Africa development initiatives which include; Education, Entrepreneurship, Food Security, Leadership and Governance, Health, Sustainable development and most importantly, Youth, Gender and Women Empowerment.

A member of several professional societies has impacted many lives and communities in her career path and has received many awards some of which include:

AWARDS AND DISTINCTION

- ◆ Chairman of Board of FANRPAN 2018– The Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Network for Africa
- ◆ Board Member 2017 BSN- Biotechnology Society of Nigeria
- ◆ Award of Excellence 2017- For alleviating Poverty through investment in Livestock by through SOF (Sidi Osho Foundation) IAR&T (Institute of Agricultural Research & Training)
- ◆ Member 2015 of Board of African Infrastructure Development Partnership (AFIDEP).
- ◆ Award of the African Women Hall of Fame Commemorating the UN International Women's day by the Presidency and African Female & Youth Students Initiative, Abuja, Nigeria. 8th March 2015
- ◆ Best Vice Chancellor of the Year, Nigeria, Oct 2014, by Association of Vice Chancellors.
- ◆ Vice – Chairman of Continuing committee on the Third International Soybean Processing and Utilization Conference (ISPUC III) Japan to Date
- ◆ Award for promoting the Concept of Safe Campus, Association of Heads of Security of Tertiary Institutions, 11th May 2011
- ◆ Distinguished Award for Outstanding Contributions to Advancement, service to Humanity and Role Model for the Girl Child 20th October 2011. Center for Grass root women Advancement and Development and International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA).
- ◆ Golden Award Children – In – Science and Technology CIST Ghana 2011, for Outstanding support towards popularization of Science & Technology among Children; 15th November 2011.
- ◆ Best female Scientist; College of Agriculture Olabisi Onabanjo University, (OOU) 2006
- ◆ Best Leadership Role Model for Olabisi Onabanjo University, (OOU) (2005)
- ◆ Security Inaugurated by the Special Adviser to the President of Nigeria on Food Security Nigeria (January 2000).

- ◆ Top Outstanding Young Persons of the World Award, Category Scientific and Technology Development. Junior Chamber International USA (1997).
- ◆ International Development Research Center (IDRC) Award for Best Research Scientist 25th year anniversary of IDRC. IDRC Report for January 1995.
- ◆ Outstanding Ex-pupil of All Saints Church School, Golden Jubilee, Jericho, Ibadan (1961 – 2011) October 2011.
- ◆ Personality of the Month, presented by Ibadan Junior Chamber (March 1999)
- ◆ Specialist Advisory Consultant to PTF (Petroleum Trust Fund) on Youth, Women and Agriculture. 1996 - 1999

Prof Sidi Osho is happily married with children.

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