



WELCOME ADDRESS DELIVERED BY THE PRESIDENT/CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL OF THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF BANKERS OF NIGERIA, UCHE M. OLOWU, PH.D., FCIB AT INAUGURATION OF THE ELECTORAL COMMITTEES HELD AT THE BANKERS HOUSE ON OCTOBER 18, 2019

Protocol

Dear colleagues, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the inaugural ceremony of the 2020 Election Committees of our great Institute. The three committees to be inaugurated today are the **Election Organizing Committee, Election Rules and Standards Committee and Election Dispute and Resolution Committee.**

As you already know, the obligations of these Committees are to ensure that elections into the Office Holders Position and Elected members of the Governing Council Positions are robust, free and fair while conforming to best practices.

I heartily congratulate the newly inaugurated members of the 3 (three) committees ably led by the following Chairpersons, Otunba (Mrs.) Debola Bosede Osibogun, FCIB, Past President, CIBN; Mr. Yemi Adeola, FCIB, Former MD/CEO, Sterling Bank and Mrs. Tokunbo Martins, FCIB, Director, OFID, CBN. We are honored by your show of devotion towards your respective committees and have no doubt that with your leadership, the Institute would continue to uphold the high standards of governance in which our stakeholders have grown accustomed.

I also congratulate the previous Chairpersons of the respective Committees for their roles as game changers in the course of the 2018 elections. For the first time in the history of the Institute, electronic elections for both Office Holders and Governing Council Members were held. Indeed, the Institute leveraged on technological advancements to carry out this process. Meanwhile, members could vote for their choice of candidates from anywhere in the world. A landmark achievement.

Distinguished committee members, permit me use this opportunity to challenge the incoming Committees to go over and above previous achievements as such endeavors have a hand in steering the course of the leadership and management of the Institute over the next few years. Furthermore, as my tenure as President and Chairman of Council of our esteemed Institute slowly draws to an end, it is my wish that thereafter, your contributions via the Committees would lead the Institute from strength to strength. I look forward to greater successes.

Thank you all once again for your presence here today.

Only together can we drive CIBN into the future and beyond.

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President/Chairman of Council, CIBN

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