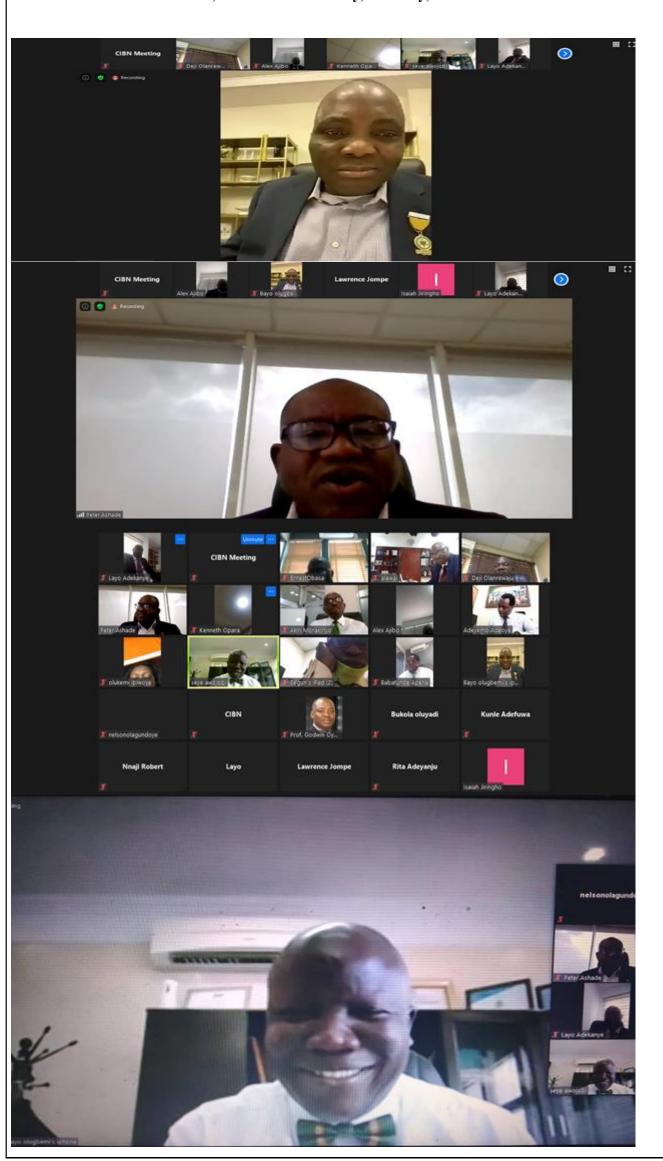


Photos from the Virtual Stakeholders Engagement Between The President/Chairman of Council, CIBN, Mr. Bayo Olugbemi, FCIB and The CIBN Lagos State Branch ably led by Mr. Peter Ashade, FCIB held on Monday, 20th July, 2020



### FINANCE NEWS

# Forex uncertainty worries businesses as CBN retains 12.5% interest rate

The Central Bank of Nigeria on Monday retained the country's benchmark interest rate or Monetary Policy Rate at 12.5 per cent.

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## Healthcare intervention gulps N26.28bn, says CBN

About 20 projects valued at N26.28bn have been funded under the N100bn Central Bank of Nigeria credit support intervention for the healthcare industry, the Governor of the apex bank, Godwin Emefiele, said on Monday.

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#### Nigeria, others import \$650bn goods from outside Africa – FG

Nigeria's National Action Committee on the African Continental Free Trade Area on Monday said Nigeria and other countries on the continent spend \$650bn annually importing goods and services from the rest of the world.

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#### CBN retains benchmark interest rate at 12.5%

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## Access Bank completes acquisition of Kenyan bank

Access Bank Plc
has completed its
acquisition of Transnational
Bank Plc of Kenya (TNB).In
a statement yesterday, its
Company Secretary,
Sunday Ekwochi said
Access Bank had received
regulatory approvals for the
completion of the
transaction.

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#### Budget: N995.7bn released for capital projects, says FG

The Federal Government on Monday said it had so far released N995.7bn for capital projects as it implements the 2020 revised budget. The Minister of Finance, Budget and National Planning, Zainab Ahmed, who disclosed this in Abuja, also noted that a total of N1.35tn was appropriated for capital expenditure in the revised budget.

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#### MARKET RATES: INTERBANK /PARALLEL

NGN	USD	GPB	EUR
21	462 / 470	565 / 575	510 / 520
JULY			
20	460 / 465	555 / 565	500 / 506
JULY			
17	455 / 463	550 / 562	498 / 505
JULY			
16	455 / 461	550 / 558	495 / 504
JULY			

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### **BUSINESS NEWS**

#### Equity market opens week negative with N9bn loss

Transactions on the floor of the Nigerian equity market on Monday extended losses as bears tighten their grip on the local bourse.

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#### Fidelity Bank appoints Onyeali-Ikpe MD-designate

Fidelity Bank Plc has notified the Nigerian Stock Exchange and the general public of the appointment of Mrs Nneka Onyeali-Ikpe as its incoming Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer, effective January 1, 2021.

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#### Neimeth, Cutix, others lead stock market N10b loss

The Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) reopened bearish yesterday, occasioned by losses in most blue-chip stocks, especially Neimeth International, and Cutix as market capitalisation lost N10 billion.

#### **Equities lose N10b in tight trades**

Nigerian equities reopened yesterday with a tight mix of bargain-hunting and sell pressure as investors sought to reevaluate their portfolios ahead of the release of the half-year results of quoted companies.

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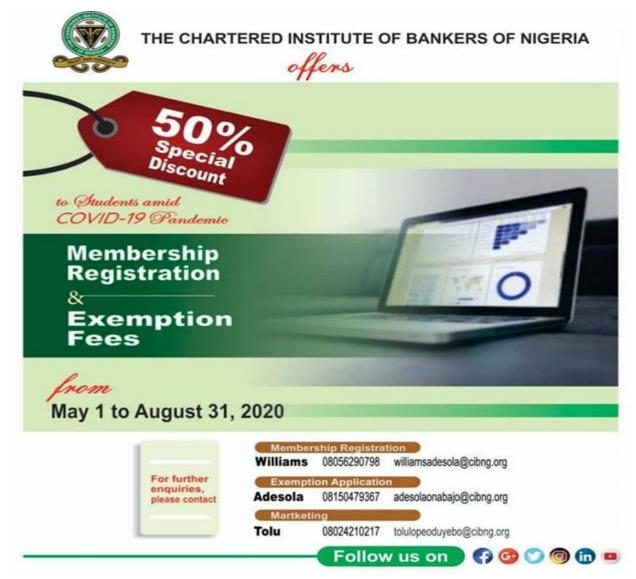
#### Unilever holds 95th AGM, declares N60.487bn turnover

Unilever Nigeria Plc has declared a turnover of N60.5 billion for the financial year ended December 2019.

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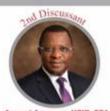






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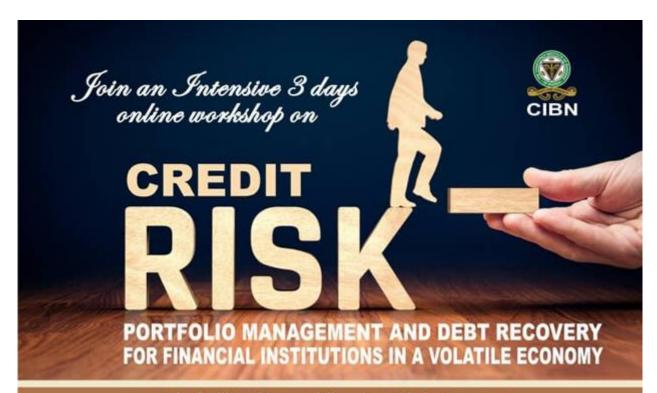




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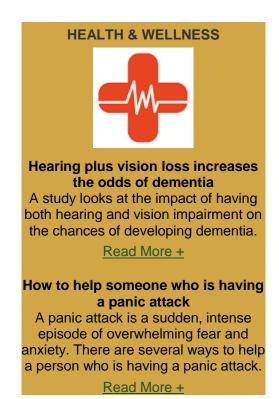


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#### WHAT'S NEW?





## "Your imagination is your preview of life's coming attractions." – Albert Einstein



JUST IN: Nigeria records 562 new cases of COVID-19, total now 37,225

Nigeria on Tuesday night recorded 562 new cases of COVID-19. According to a tweet from Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), the total number of cases so far in Nigeria is now 37,225.

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#### BREAKING: Akeredolu wins Ondo APC guber primary

Ondo State Governor, Oluwarotimi Akeredolu (SAN) has won the governorship primary of the All Progressives Congress (APC) with a wide margin.

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## EU leaders agree on landmark stimulus plan to help Europe recover from coronavirus crisis

After almost five days of fraught discussions, European Union leaders have agreed on a 750 billion euro (almost \$858 billion) stimulus plan to help fund Europe's recovery from the coronavirus crisis.

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