

# Paradigm Initiative Nigeria

Programs' Update 006. April – June, 2010

## Introduction

This brief report summarizes activities carried out during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2010. It was a very busy quarter with more exposure opportunities for our work than ever!

## Q2 2010 Update



- PIN is developing a 5-year strategic plan with support from the Global Social Benefit Incubator (GSBI) program mentors. The comprehensive plan, which adds immense value to PIN's on-the-ground work, will be completed during a residential program at Santa Clara University in August 2010
- PIN hosted *The Alternative 2.0* in partnership with Microsoft, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission on June 12, 2010. Event is captured (in pictures) at [www.pinigeria.org/isspin/june12pix.php](http://www.pinigeria.org/isspin/june12pix.php)
- Discussions on the rehabilitation program for the MISSPIN (anti-cybercrime) project have now reached advanced stages with a strong focus on securing post-training work for trainees
- PIN is working with a Canadian volunteer who is discussing outsourcing opportunities with various companies in the US, Canada and other countries
- PIN partnered with Communicating for Change (CFC) and LEAP Africa to train 10 Ajegunle youth recommended by CFC on ICTs, from June 17 to 18
- The ICT sessions of the quarter's Ajegunle.org program held from May 3 through May 21 and all the facilitators were Ajegunle.org graduates!
- We produced a booklet from the first two chapters of our eBook, *Echoes from Ajegunle*, with support from the Commonwealth Foundation
- Olatoyosi Deborah and Adefunke Alao joined Ajegunle.org program Manager, Ugo Nwosu, to present *Echoes from Ajegunle* at eLearning Africa 2010 (in Lusaka, Zambia) on May 28, 2010
- Ajegunle.org Entrepreneurship sessions held from May 24 to June 11 with Folashade Ladipo (CEO, Avienti); Mr. Wilson (Proprietor, Bequest Schools) and David Okpala (Edubridge Consultants) as facilitators
- British Royal College of Defence students (from 11 countries) visited Ajegunle.org for an interactive session with graduates. The team was accompanied by the new British Deputy High Commissioner, Robin Gwynn, and UKTI's Peter Stephenson
- 5 new interns resumed at Nigeria Bottling Company's Apapa office, an addition to the 28 completed internship opportunities and 5 permanent jobs earned by our graduates so far
- PIN continues to provide technology support for the *EnoughisEnough Nigeria* coalition, with ongoing work with our volunteers on the new portal for civic participation in the 2011 elections
- In addition to events held in Nigeria, PIN discussed projects at *Youth, New Media and Social Change* conference (UK); *Our Common Future* meeting (Germany); *Harnessing Information and Knowledge for Youth Development* meeting (South Africa); *International ICT Best Practice* summit (Burkina Faso); *eLearning Africa* (Zambia); *Science With Africa II* conference (Ethiopia) and *Crans Montana Forum* (Belgium)
- Media mentions include Daily Trust, Champion, NEXT, Vanguard and UNILAG Campus Daily.