

Paradigm Initiative Nigeria (PIN)

3rd Quarter Report. July – September, 2012

INTRODUCTION

Quarter 3 2012 saw PIN settling better into the newly leased space, the Ajegunle Innovation Centre (AJIC), and taking some important strides.



Ajegunle.org Class of 2012B in training

Ajegunle.org

Following a rigorous screening exercise, a group of 20 students were admitted into the Ajegunle.org training as *Class of 2012B*. The ICT training sessions held from 6th through 31st August, with Ms. Nkemdilim Uwaje (MD, Future Software Resources Limited) facilitating along with Ajegunle.org graduates, Aremu Kayode, Njoku Emmanuel, George Owunari and Kalu Agwu! The entrepreneurship module held between September 3-14 with Mr. Gbodo Emamoke (Managing Partner, Foodsteps Ltd), Dr. Gbenga Adebayo (MD/CEO, Living Health International), Emmanuel Oluwatosin (Nokia Nigeria) and Mr. Wale Olajumoke (CEO, Finem Ventures) as facilitators. Other facilitators include Konaghe Alfred, Garrick Bassey, Ayodeji Adeogun and Oluwaseyifunmi Adebisi.

Some visitors and partners at the AJIC in support of the project in the last quarter include Mrs. Lebari Ukpong (Director, London Metropolitan University Nigerian Office), John Doran (Doran Foundation), Aidan Madigan-

Curtis (Angel Investor), Peter Stephenson (AITEO Energies Ltd), Jacqui Deelstra (Creative Associates International), Sarah Aldrich and the IRI/MTA team.



John Doran and Aidan Madigan-Curtis at AJIC

Class of 2012B rounded off training 14th September. Kayode Aremu, an alumnus of the Ajegunle.org training joined DHL International as an intern during the quarter. *Class of 2012C* will be resuming on the 8th of October.

PIN was represented in the quarter in various forums including the *Echoes from Ajegunle* Forum (Houston), DIGITEST Conference (Abuja), IMPACT Step-Up Summer Series (Lagos), ICT training (Benin), Nigerian IGF Workshop (Abuja), EduNet Conference (Lagos), Peer Leadership Seminar (Lagos), and Browsedot.com (Ajegunle, Lagos) reaching a total number of 2,632 young people, in addition to our Ajegunle.org students.

TENT (Techie. Entrepreneurial. Nigerian. Talented)

A 5-year TENT program at Obafemi Awolowo University's Computer Science department has introduced Year 1 students to the concept of ICT entrepreneurship, challenging them to start out with an idea they would implement as a business, or for an existing corporation, by the

time they graduate. We are working with them through the 5 years to develop various phases of their idea into solutions.



'Gbenga Sesan (ED, PIN), with Year 1 Students at TEnt@GreatIfe Orientation

In partnership with Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, PIN will host five hundred students with keen interest in ICT solutions from December 10 through 12, 2012. The 3rd quarter has been filled with concerted planning efforts towards this event, and we had for a reward partners and facilitators who confirmed their participation in writing, including Obi Asika, Dele Nedd, Idiare Atimomo, Osita Nwoye, Ayo Alli and Emmanuel Oluwatosin.

TENT is a Paradigm Initiative Nigeria project which seeks to expose today's Nigerian technology students to technology, business and leadership requirements for ICT innovation. The big vision is to help jumpstart the culture of innovation and enterprise in the mould of global technology brands which all began from the university halls of their young founders.

Partners In Learning (PiL)

Following the training of secondary school teachers in South West Nigeria (in partnership with Microsoft Nigeria), PIN trained the 3 finalists that went on to represent Nigeria at the regional PiL competition in Morocco on September 7, 2012. One of the trained teachers won, and will now compete in the World Finals.

MISSPIN

During this quarter, PIN competed for, and won, a Trustworthy Computing (TwC) grant to produce a documentary on the economic cost of cybercrime. The design and logistics are being completed ahead of production in Q4.

PIN in the Media

Chief Operating Officer, Paradigm Initiative Nigeria, Mrs. Tope Ogundipe granted a television interview to Public Eye Network, a media company focused on grassroots development in Nigeria. The ten minutes' show which will be aired on NTA 2 Channel 5 in a program tagged *Ajgunle Live* focused on the Ajgunle.org project. In company of four Ajgunle.org students, Mrs. Ogundipe granted another 30 minutes interview to Rainbow 94.1FM, speaking about issues of unemployment in Nigeria and how PIN's projects address the gap between Nigeria's underserved young persons and economic opportunities. We are grateful to media mentions by various newspapers and other media platforms.



PIN staff with the visiting AITEO team

CONCLUSION

As a volunteer-driven organisation, we could not have had another great quarter without the support of our amazing volunteers. We wish to specially appreciate all partners who continue to support all the back-end work which leads to continued sustainability of our projects. Thank You!