SPACE RESEARCH EQUIPMENT DONATION REPORT

Introduction

In November 2022, Dr. Nwankwo visited the Dublin School of Advanced Studies in Maryland, Ireland, and established a relationship between the school and the Anchor University Lagos for the advancement of Space Science Research at the Center for Space Research (CESPAR). This report summarises the launch of the CESPAR Center, the donation of a magnetometer and radio antenna, and the appreciation of the Anchor University Lagos Vice Chancellor for the contributions of Dr. Nwankwo and the Dublin School of Advanced Studies in Maryland, Ireland.

Launch of the Center for Space Research

The Center for Space Research (CESPAR) at Anchor University Lagos was officially launched on December 13, 2022.



The Center had previously operated as a laboratory for Space and Radio Wave Propagation but was officially upgraded to a centre.

Donation Received by the Vice Chancellor

During his visit, a magnetometer and radio antenna was donated by the Dublin School of Advanced Studies in Maryland, Ireland, facilitated by Prof. Jackman and Khamilia, to support the mission of the Center for Space Research (CESPAR), Anchor University Lagos in exploring the space environment for the benefit of humanity. The donation was presented on behalf of the Physics Department of Anchor University Lagos by the head of department, Prof. Olumide Akinwumi.



The Vice Chancellor of Anchor University Lagos, Prof. S. O. Bandele, received the donation on behalf of the Chancellor, Board of Trustees, and council members for the generous donation from Ireland. He was joined by the Dean of the Faculty of Natural, Applied, and Health Science, Prof. K. V. F. Fatokun.



Also present at the donation ceremony were Dr. Philip Idehen, Dr. Omodara Obisesan, Mr. Victor Edward, and Tolulope Ahmed who showed their support for the development of space research at Anchor University Lagos.

Appreciation

During the presentation of the equipment, the Vice Chancellor expressed his appreciation for the work and dedication of Dr. Nwankwo in facilitating the progress of the center. He also appreciated the Dublin School of Advance Studies in Maryland, Ireland, for the generous donation of the equipment. The donation of the magnetometer and radio antenna is a significant contribution towards the advancement of space research at the Center. The donation is expected to go a long way in advancing the course of space science research in Nigeria and the African continent.

Conclusion

The donation of a magnetometer and radio antenna by the Dublin School of Advanced Studies in Maryland, Ireland, facilitated by Dr. Nwankwo, is a significant boost to the Center for Space Research (CESPAR) at Anchor University Lagos. The launch of the Center is a critical step towards advancing space research in Nigeria and Africa as a whole. The Anchor University Lagos Vice Chancellor expressed gratitude for the contribution of Dr. Nwankwo and the Dublin School of Advanced Studies in Maryland, Ireland, towards the development of the Center. It is hoped that this donation will encourage more partnerships and collaborations that will lead to the advancement of space research in Nigeria.