



# UNIVERSITY OF PORT HARCOURT

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

## COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS ORGANISED IN THE UNIVERSITY IN THE YEAR 2024

### WORKSHOPS

1. **A workshop organized by the World Bank Africa Centre of excellence in Oilfield Chemicals Research (ACE-CEFOR) for members of staff of the University of Port Harcourt**

Title: From Publish or perish to Patent, Publish and Produce

Venue: ACE-CEFOR Complex, UniPort Innovation Park.

Date: April 15 to 19 2024.

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2. **The Counselling Association of Nigeria, Rivers State Chapter held a conference on the topic “Counselling and emerging Mental Health Challenges for economic and Social Adjustment in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.**

The date was: June 20 to 21 2024

Venue: Ebitimi Banigo Auditorium, University of Port Harcourt.

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3. **On Monday, June 29, 2024, ACE-CEFOR continued its series of Innovation & Entrepreneurship workshops for staff. The workshop titled, “Research as Enterprise workshop on Advanced Data Analytics with Power BI”, lasted till Friday, August 2, 2024. The 29 staff who were trained during the workshop also sat for international certification examinations.**
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4. **On Monday, June 17, 2024, ACE-CEFOR continued its series of Innovation & Entrepreneurship workshops for students. The workshop titled, “Innovation and Entrepreneurship Workshop on ICT Skills”, lasted till Friday, June 21, 2024. The 69 students who were trained during the workshop also sat for international certification examinations.**
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- 5. The Centre for Health and Development in collaboration with the World Bank Africa Centre of Excellence for Public Health and Toxicological Research (ACE-PUTOR) organized a training workshop for the Health Sciences on Grantsmanship.**

Date: May 14 and 15 2024.

The Keynote Speaker was Prof. Adesegun Fatusi, Vice Chancellor, Ondo State University of Medical Sciences.

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- 6. A one-day Capacity building training was organized by the University of Port Harcourt for Senior Professional, Administrative, and Technical staff of the Registry department.**

The topic was: Continuous Learning and Professional Development,

The date was: Wednesday July 31 2024 at the CBN Centre of excellence, University Park.

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- 7. Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria had a 4-day capacity building workshop for Heads of Nursing Training Institutions in the South-South Zone of the Federation.**

The date was July 21 – 24, 2024.

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- 8. The Faculty of Computing, Department of Computer Science organized a National AI workshop powered by AI4D Africa.**

The theme was: Navigating the Future: AI and its Applications.

The date was: July 13, 2024

Venue: Centre for Information and Telecommunication Engineering (CITE), University of Port Harcourt

The Keynote Speaker was Dr. Thipendra P. Singh, Professor of Artificial Intelligence

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- 9. A 5-day free training for academic staff of the University of Port Harcourt was organized by the Open, Distance & E-Learning Centre.**

The topic was “Making Grant Proposals Win”

The Facilitator was Prof. Ibisime Etela

The venue was ODeL Learning Management System

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**10. The Department of Fine Arts and Design in the Faculty of Humanities of the University of Port Harcourt organized a 2Days intensive workshop practice Tie & Dye and Batik.**

Date 16 – 17 August 2024.

The venue was the Museum of Fine Arts and Designs, Faculty of Humanities, University of Port Harcourt.

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**11. The Africa Centre of Excellence Centre for Public Health and Toxicological Research organized a quarterly webinar on entrepreneurship, technology transfer and innovation.**

The lecture title was “**Technology Transfer and Licensing Strategies**”

The date was Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024, and venue was at the ACE-PUTOR Complex, University of Port Harcourt.

The Guest Speaker was Dr. Obinchi Obiajunwa

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**12. The Research and Development Unit in collaboration with the World Bank Africa Centre of Excellence in Public and Toxicological Research, University of Port Harcourt organized a Maiden Prof. Onyewuchi Akaranta Annual Grant Writing workshop on the theme; “Grantsmanship in an Entrepreneurial University”.**

The Date: Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at the Ebitimi Banigo Hall, UniPark.

The Keynote Speakers were Prof. Warebi Brisibe of the Rivers State University and Dr. Silke Blohm, the Director for Science Group Ltd, United Kingdom.

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**13. The Journalism Educators Foundation in conjunction with the Faculty of Communications and Media Studies had a two-day workshop on the theme “Building Intimacy in Marriage and Relationship through Effective Communication”**

The dates were September 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 and the venue was at the Prof. Ken Anugweje Building, Sports Complex, University of Port Harcourt.

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**14. The Emerald Energy Institute organized the 13<sup>th</sup> Emmanuel Egbogah Legacy Lecture Series on the theme: “Framework for Utilizing Petroleum Wealth for Sustainable Development”.**

The date was: Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 and the venue was at the Emerald Energy Institute, University of Port Harcourt.

The Keynote Speaker was: Dr. Timothy Okon.

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**15. The Association of Nigerian University Professional Administrators (ANUPA) in collaboration with the African Centre of Excellence in Oilfield Chemicals Research organized a 2-day training workshop for University Professional Administrators.**

The theme was: “Enhancing Leadership and Management Skills for Optimal Performance in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century University”.

The date was: 17<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at the CBN Centre of Excellence, University of Port Harcourt.

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**16. The Centre for Peace and Security Studies, University of Port Harcourt organized the 2024 Global Peace Day on the theme: “Cultivating a Culture of Peace”.**

The lecture was titled: “Security and Organisational Effectiveness in Nigerian Universities”

The date was Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024 and the venue was the Institute of Petroleum Studies Auditorium, University of Port Harcourt.

The Special Guest of Honour was Hon. Justice Mary Odili cfr, JS (Rtd), DSSRS and the Guest Lecturer was Fellow – CP Olatunji Rilwan Disu PSC, then Police Commissioner, Rivers State.

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## **CONFERENCES**

1. 1<sup>st</sup> International conference on Laboratory Research and Technopreneurial Innovations organized by the Central Instrument Laboratory, University of Port Harcourt.

Theme: **Research and Technopreneurial Innovations for Sustainable Development.**

Date: April 22 to 25 2024

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2. The University of Groningen, Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Humanities in the University of Port Harcourt organized an Afretract Conference on Environmental histories in the Niger Delta.

Theme: **Oil, Environment, & Lifeworlds in the Niger Delta: Environmental History Approaches.**

Date: July 11 to 12, 2024.

The venue was the Auditorium of the Faculty of Humanities Building, University of Port Harcourt.

Keynote Speaker: Prof. Ibiba S. Ibiba, Dean, Post Graduate School, Niger Delta University.

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An International Conference was organized by the Faculty of Education, University of Port Harcourt.

The theme was **“Educating the Head, the Heart and the Hand for Sustainable National Transformation.”**

The venue was at the Faculty of Education Auditorium, Abuja Campus, University of Port Harcourt.

The Date was 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

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The Nigerian Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology organized a Scientific conference/seminar and Annual General Meeting in the University of Port Harcourt.

The topic was: **Global Health and Green Economy: Role of Bio Chemistry and Molecular Biology.**

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Venue: Central Instrument Laboratory, University of Port Harcourt.

The Keynote Speaker was Prof. E. O. Farombi, Department of Biochemistry, University of Ibadan

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The Department of Film and Multimedia, Faculty of Communication and Media Studies of the University of Port Harcourt organized an annual conference series and International Students Film Festival.

The theme was **“Nollywood and Wealth Creation in a Depressing economy”**

The date and venue were: 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at the Ebitimi Banigo Hall, Uniport.

The Keynote Speaker was Prof. Abdalla Uba Adamu, Dean of Information and Media Studies, Faculty of Communication Studies, Bayero University, Kano State.

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**The Centre for Gender, Conflict and Development Studies in collaboration with the Foundation for Partnership Initiatives in Niger Delta organized a 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on the topic: “Gender, Environment and Development”.**

The date was: 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and the venue was at The Faculty of Law Auditorium, University of Port Harcourt.

The Keynote Speaker was Professor Patricia Donil, Gender Equality, Peace & Cevolpment Centre, University of Maiduguri.

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**The Association for environmental Impact Assessment of Nigeria organized its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference & AGM. The theme was: “Sustainable Growth and Socio-economic Transformation: Environmental Issues, Impacts and Assessments”**

The Date and venue were: 15 – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024 @ the ASUU Building, Delta Park Campus, University of Port Harcourt. The Keynote Speaker was Professor Nenbarini Zebbey, the Project Coordinator, HYPREP.

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**The Fulbright Alumni Association of Nigeria had its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on the theme: “Leadership, Institutions and Nation Building: Challenges and Prospects for Nigeria”.**

The date was 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024 while the venue was at the ACE-PUTOR, Uniport.

The Keynote Speaker was Professor Emeka Jude Okereke, the Director of the University of Port Harcourt Business School.

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**The Faculty of Education organized an Educational Foundations International Conference on the theme: “Artificial Intelligence and education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Issues, Challenges and Prospects.**

The date was November 13 to 14, 2024 and the venue was @ the Faculty of Education Auditorium, UniPort.

The Keynote Speaker was Professor P. C. Okwelle, the Executive Secretary, National Commission for Colleges of Education.

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## **SEMINARS**

A Discussion forum was organized by the University on the **theme “Building our Common Future with Innovation and Creativity”** in celebration of World Intellectual Property Day.

Topics:

- (a) Aligning Research and Creativity to the SDGs,
- (b) Towards Agenda 2063: Harnessing IP for Innovation and Creativity and
- (c) Making Local Research Impactful

Date: April 26 2024

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The Centre for Information & Telecommunication Engineering in the University of Port Harcourt hosted a seminar in celebration of World Telecommunication and Information Society Day.

Topic: **Digital Innovation; Sustainable Development.**

Date: May 17 2024

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In commemoration of the World Environment Day, 2024, the Association of Environmental Impact Assessment of Nigeria in partnership with the Department of Animal and Environmental Biology, in the University of Port Harcourt organized a seminar.

The topic was **“Land Restoration Using Nature-Based Approach”**.

Date: June 3 2024

Venue: AEB Auditorium, University of Port Harcourt.

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The Energy Technology Institute of the University of Port Harcourt organized a seminar presentation.

The topic was **“Cleaner Energy and Net Zero Carbon Emissions – Contemporary Research”**

Date: June 20 2024

Venue: Offshore Technology Institute Main Hall, University of Port Harcourt

Keynote Speaker: Prof. Chike F. Oduoza, a distinguished scholar from the Faculty of Science and Engineering at the University of Wolverhampton, United Kingdom

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The Faculty of Law, University of Port Harcourt organized a Guest Lecture, Series No. 4.

The two sessions had topics **“Best Practices in the Conduct of Election Petitions in Nigeria: An Overview”** and **“Restructuring Nigeria Between Legal Realities and Rhetorics”**.

The Date was July 16 2024

Venue: Faculty of Law Auditorium, University of Port Harcourt.

The Guest Lecturer was: Hon. Justice Biobele Abraham Georgewill, JCA, KSC, DSSRS,

Visiting Scholar (Eminent Jurist in Residence at UNIPORT, Faculty of Law).

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**The Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Port Harcourt organized its seminar series 3 on the theme “Potential Sources of Nootropics from the Niger Delta Area”.**

The date and venue were August 29, 2024 at the Seminar Room of the New Faculty Building, University of Port Harcourt.

Dr. O. A. Shorinwa chaired the seminar.

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The Faculty of Basic Medicine, University of Port Harcourt in collaboration with the University of Port Harcourt Teaching Hospital organized an antimicrobial resistance symposium on the theme: **“Responsible Antimicrobial Prescribing as a Guide to Antimicrobial Resistance”**

Date: September 5<sup>th</sup> 2024

Venue was at the ACE-PUTOR Auditorium, Uniport.

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The Department of Fine Arts and Design of the Faculty of Humanities, University of Port Harcourt organized a departmental collaborative creativity seminar series on the topic **“Human-AI Partnership in Art and Design”**.

The date and venue were Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 and the venue was the departmental seminar room.

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The Centre for Disaster Risk Management and Development Studies in collaboration with the National Emergency Management Agency organized its 2024 International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction on the theme: **“The Role of Education in Protecting and Empowering Youth for a Disaster Free Future.**

The date and venue were Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024 @ the CBN Centre for Excellence, Abuja Park Uniport.

The Keynote Speaker was Rt. Hon. Onofiok Luke, former Member, House of Representatives.

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**The Uniport Chapter of ASUU organized a 1-day Orientation Seminar for Academic Staff Employed in the University within the last 5 years.**

The date was November 27 2024 and the venue was at the Main Auditorium, ASUU Secretariat, Delta Park, Uniport.

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