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Despite the elections, well over a hundred top level professionals stepped away for two days from their usual work schedule to take part in the 4th Annual Asset Summit Africa 2015, which was held at the Eko Hotel & Suites, Victoria Island, Lagos on 23rd and 24th March, 2015.

Codub Consulting UK in conjunction with the UK Trade and Investment (UKTI) and her strategic partner, Alpha Mead Facilities & Management Services Ltd., concluded its two-day summit on the theme of *“Transforming & Sustaining the Economy through Effective Asset Management & Maintenance Culture.”*

The guiding principle of the event remained intact with a programme that included educative master classes for learning, open forum question and answer sessions as well as the traditional networking. **Over 98% of the attendees indicated that they would attend the next edition!!!**







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The event started off with the National Anthem of the host country and it was officially declared open by Beverley Okoye, Deputy Director, UK Trade & Investment (UKTI), who represented the Deputy British High Commissioner to Nigeria. She spoke on why the country needs events like this and how she hopes the change needed as regards Infrastructure Maintenance will be a result of the gathering. She stressed the importance of the timing of the summit while commenting that the UKTI will continue to support the various services provided by Codub and other UK companies.

As the Principal Consultant of the organising company (Codub Group) said:

***“Without efficient and well maintained infrastructure, the current economic growth in Africa CANNOT be sustained”***



The Honourable Minister of Works, Arc. Mike Onolememen, who was represented by Engr. Ishaq Mohammed, Unit Manager, Road Sector Development Team (RSDT), delivered a key presentation on “The Benefits and Challenges of Implementing a Road Asset Management System (RAMS) in a Developing Nation”.

The minister also said that the FMW is currently working towards establishing a Road Asset Management System (RAMS) for the federal road network; which should be fully functional by 2016. This was well received by the audience as the need for proper data framework was also highlighted.





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The Asset Summit Africa 2015 was deemed a huge success by all participants despite the election fever that the country was grappling with. The actual presence of representatives from various government ministries intertwined with senior executives from the private sector provided the opportunity needed for public and private partnership and was boosted by the paper presentation by Engr. Femi Akintunde, the CEO & Managing Director of Alpha Mead Facilities & Management Services Ltd. He spoke on “Achieving Sustainability in the Development and Management of Public Infrastructure through the PPP Concessioning Arrangement using the Lekki Toll Road Concession as a Case Study.



One of the speakers from UK, Jo Parker who is a Director at Watershed Associates, a UK Asset Management consulting company, highlighted the benefits of a proper Asset Management Strategy using the Water Industry as a case study. She recounted her experiences in Mozambique and Madagascar where the period of water supply has been doubled without any increase in costs and with limited inputs from external donors. Jo Parker who started her career in 1975, talked about how the water industry in the UK manages to supply a continuous supply of water to

over 99% of its population using water main assets that are over 200 years old!

Jo Parker also gave a brief overview of PAS55 and the new International Standards on Asset Management (ISO55000). In between the talks were break-out and panel sessions that included some of the speakers, both local and international.







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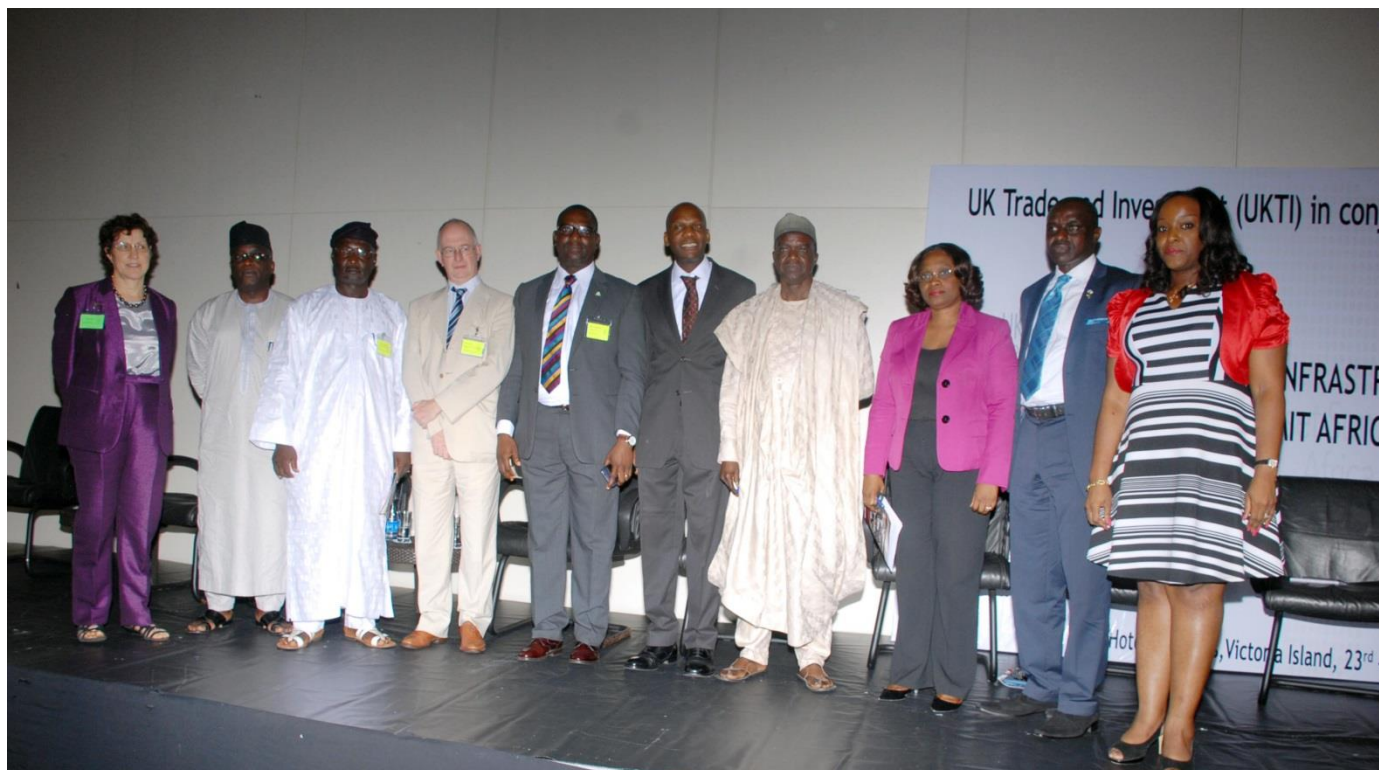
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The importance of maintaining the CODUB's philosophy of "**You Talk...We Listen...We Share**" was illustrated during the question and answers sessions in which Government officials while maintaining protocols, took part and provided good responses as well as advices.



Left to Right: Ms. Jo Parker, Director, Watershed Associates; Engr. Ishaq Mohammed, who represented The Honourable Minister of Works; Rev. Amos Yohanna, Head of Admin, Nigerian Christian Pilgrims Commission; Mr. Neil McAndrew, Quality Assurance & Technical Manager, Landmark Chartered Surveyors, UK; Engr. Femi Akintunde, CEO/MD, Alpha Mead Facilities; Mr Chidi Umeano, Principal Consultant, CODUB Group of Companies; Dr. Umar Bindir, DG/CEO, National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion; Arc. (Mrs) Eucharia Alozie who represented the Honourable Minister for Lands, Housing & Urban Development; Mr. Tunji Okesola, President, Nigeria Chapter, International Facility Management Association (IFMA); Mrs. Uloma Umeano, CEO, Customer Centricity Limited.





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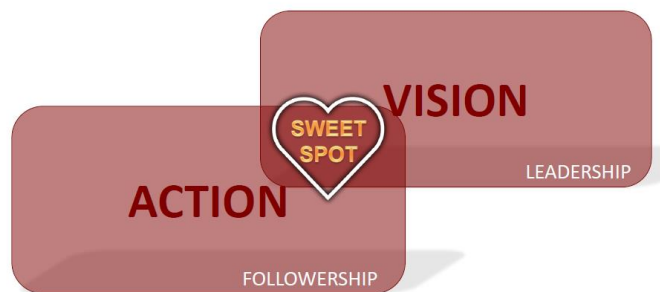


After the panel session, the audience witnessed another world class and passionate presentation by the DG/CEO of National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion (NOTAP), Dr. (Engr.) Umar Bindir, who spoke on “Increasing Profitability in Infrastructure Industries through better Asset Management Technologies”. His presentation, which focused on Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) drew a standing ovation with a participant saying: “Dr. Umar for Presidency!!!”

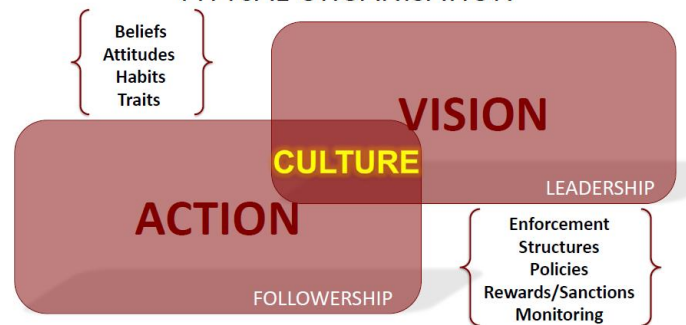


Then the CEO of Customer Centricity Limited, one of our sponsors and a previous speaker at the Asset Summit series delivered a thought provoking presentation on “Organisation and Maintenance Culture - making the 'unreasonable' reasonable.” She spoke on the role of leaders and the relationship between leaders, followers and the organisation.

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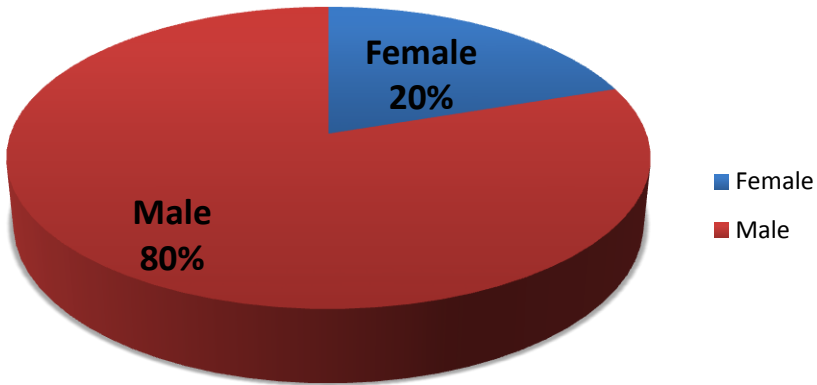
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#### Asset Summit 2015 Gender Attendance



**Increase in Female representation from 14% in 2014 to 20%**





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It was a pleasure to welcome Arc. (Mrs.) Eucharia Alozie, who represented the Honourable Minister for Lands, Housing & Urban Development, Mrs. Akon Eyakenyi. After apologising on behalf of the minister, she delivered the minister's speech titled: "Public Housing Asset Management - Developing a Sustainable Housing Delivery System". It was very encouraging to learn that the ministry is proposing enhanced funding of maintenance works including the allocation of 10% of the contract sum for building construction for the maintenance of all buildings and infrastructure projects above five years as prescribed in the National Housing Policy.



The biggest challenge of bringing this event to Nigeria was making sure that the foreign speakers had expertise in African issues as well as being aware of specific challenges in Nigeria. Mr. Obi Ozonzeadi, another UK consultant and one of the veteran speakers of the Asset Summit series added to this continuity by returning for his 3rd experience. Interestingly, one of his papers was on "Failing to Plan is Planning to Fail: Why Asset Management & Maintenance?" Likewise, Dr. Tunde Bammeke, Principal Consultant/Asset Manager, Opus International Consultants, UK brought with him stability with his second participation at the summit where his presentation on "Making Better Decisions through Asset Management Data" highlighted the importance of having a data framework in place to be able to realise the full benefits of Asset Management.



**Left to Right: Mr. Shina Oliyide, GM, Technical Services, Alpha Mead Facilities & Management Services Ltd.; Mr. Neil McAndrew, Quality Assurance & Technical Manager, Landmark Chartered Surveyors, UK; Jo Parker, Director, Watershed Associates; Obi Ozonzeadi, Senior Consultant, KEOB Limited, UK; Oga St. John, Chief Executive Officer, Errands Plus Ltd, UK; Chidi Umeano, Principal Consultant, CODUB Group of Companies; Dr Tunde Bammeke, Principal Consultant/Asset Manager, Opus International Consultants, UK.**





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The Asset Summit was not just about talks and workshops. There were various breaks and networking opportunities throughout the two days as well as a cocktail at the end of the second day. For additional photos, visit <http://assetsummit.com/watch-our-videos/>







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This was followed by a session on “For Want of a Nail? - Risk Assessment and Management (The Importance of Early Identification of Potential Problems in Effective Asset Management)” by Neil McAndrew, Quality Assurance and Technical Manager, Landmark Chartered Surveyors, UK. His presentation dealt with the issues which can arise from the failure to both identify and act on early warning signs as part of the asset management process with some examples of progressive damage which could have been avoided by prompt action.

An insightful presentation by Mr. Kayode Khalidson, the Urban Transport Coordinator for Nigeria Infrastructure Advisory Facility (A DFID, UK Programme) was next on the agenda. With his experience in the privatisation of Railtrack PLC in the United Kingdom and other infrastructure projects in India, Zimbabwe and South Africa, his presentation on “Introducing a Maintenance Culture – Using the Bus Transport as a Case Study” was another hit of the day. He buttressed the fact that a structured servicing programme is perhaps the most important function in a bus company. The consequences of not having one are severe in terms of increased costs, unavailability of vehicles, bus service unreliability and loss of revenue.



**Speakers from Left to Right:**

**Mr. Kayode Khalidson, Urban Transport Coordinator, Nigeria Infrastructure Advisory Facility (A DFID Programme);  
Chidi Umeano, Principal Consultant, CODUB Group  
Oga St. John, Chief Executive Officer, Errands Plus Ltd, UK;  
Dr. Waleed Montasser, Waste Management Consultant, UK.**

The challenges and opportunities in the waste management sector in Africa were highlighted by one of the UK speakers, Dr Waleed Montasser, a Waste Management Consultant who spoke on “The Waste Management Industry and Job Creation”. He explained that world cities generate about 1.3 billion tonnes of solid waste per year. This volume is expected to increase to 2.2 billion tonnes by 2025. In Europe, there has been growing demand on the overall employment related to recycling, which increased by 45 % between 2000 and 2007, corresponding to an

annual increase of 7 %. He also mentioned that in the UK, the total turnover is above £11 billion a year with direct employment of up to 95,000 people.

The next presentation was by a new speaker to the Asset Summit series, Oga St. John, the Chief Executive Officer of Errands Plus Ltd., UK. She challenged business owners and managers to build an engaged and excited workforce. She added that it is the most effective way to grow a truly sustainable business, with values that reach right through to the very heart of the organisation. She concluded that when employees believe that they work for an organisation that is genuinely committed to sustainability, measures its progress through clearly defined goals, and gives them the ability to deliver on them; they feel motivated, supported and inspired. And they take positive actions that inevitably contribute to and build on their company's efforts.





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**2<sup>nd</sup> Left to Right: Dr. Waleed Montasser, Waste Management Consultant, UK; Mr. Adeniji Adele, Dr. Umar Bindir, DG/CEO, National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion; Engr. Ishaq Mohammed, who represented The Honourable Minister of Works. Arc. Mike Onolememen.**

**Left to Right: Engr. Igwe Onuoha, Executive Director for Engineering & Technical Services, Niger Delta Power Holding Company with Engr. Emmanuel Uwalaka (Administrator-Occupational Safety and Health Association Nigeria Region) who represented the President.**



**Dr Tunde Bammeke, Principal Consultant/Asset Manager, Opus International Consultants, UK delivering his presentation on “Making Better Decisions through Asset Management Data”**





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The keynote presentation by Engr. A.I. Olorunfemi, President of the Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE) was exciting to all the engineers, architects and builders in the audience. He said: "It is very fair to say than none of us would have been here today if it was not for engineers. The car or aircraft that brought you to this conference centre and the entire building infrastructure i.e. water supply and electricity are all testimonies to the creative ability and ingenuity of Engineers!" The presentation was delivered by Engr. Femi Akintunde, the CEO & Managing Director of Alpha Mead Facilities & Management Services Ltd.



In order to make sure that all the requirements were met, Mr. Shina Oliyide, GM, Technical Services, Alpha Mead Facilities & Management Services and Mr. Augustine Chinwe Madu, Zonal Coordinator, Chartered Institute of Purchasing & Supply Management and an Associate Consultant for CODUB completed the line-up with a Nigerian cultural view of Asset Management.



Mr. Shina Oliyide gave a case study of AMFacilities' Computerised Maintenance Management Improvement Journey. He spoke passionately on their experience and on why they successfully implemented Maintenance Connection CMMS system almost 2 years ago. As he pointed out: *"It is important to note that a critical success factor in the implementation of an Enterprise Asset Management System such as Maintenance Connection (MC) is the experience, openness and drive of the implementation partners (i.e. CODUB)"*

The next presentation by Mr. Augustine Madu was on "Procurement and Inventory Management Strategy as a Tool for Sustaining Total Asset Concept" giving the summit a very broad perspective. He demonstrated how procurement and inventory efficiency are essential to achieving physical asset management and maintenance philosophy in any organisation.







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### Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

In the last few years, we have been involved in work placement programmes for people looking to get back into work in the UK as well as student work programme schemes. Last year, as part of our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Project, a cheque N119,400 (£440.00) was presented to the Orphanage on 6th April 2014.

This year as part of the grassroots campaign to inculcate maintenance culture into the academic curriculum in the higher education system, CODUB sponsored the Deans of the Faculties of Engineering from the following tertiary institutions to attend the Asset Summit 2015 event free of cost:

1. Yaba College of Technology, Lagos
2. Lagos State Polytechnic
3. University of Lagos
4. Lagos State University (LASU)



**Engr Michael Olubusayo Ashaolu**  
Dean, School of Engineering,  
Lagos State Polytechnic.

**“Tremendous exposure to new challenges and opportunities in facilities and waste management...”**

In addition, Mr Joel Mukollos, Manager Maintenance at NNPC-WRPC was given **a free entry ticket** to the next Annual Asset Summit 2016 for attending the various editions of the Asset Summit series since the first edition in London.



**Mr Joel Mukollos,**  
Manager Maintenance  
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Chidi Umeano who is the publicly known face of the CODUB Organisation explained that without his fellow colleagues and staff from both the UK and Nigeria offices, that this event would not have been possible.

In order to complete the local flavour Mr. Richmond Osuji joined the Asset Summit team in the capacity of Lip Service Management. While Mr. Augustine Madu opened day 2 with a customised Codub song. **HUGE & SPECIAL THANKS to the entire CODUB TEAM!!!**







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### WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT THE SUMMIT – SOME FEEDBACK



**“Impressed with the Enthusiasm and Commitment”**

- Robert Gemmel,  
Corporate Maintenance  
Manager, SEPLAT Petroleum  
Development Company



**“Insightful and Engaging”**

- Innocent Otolo,  
Head FM,  
ECOBANK, Nigeria



**“I have gained so much from this summit such as the need to think before I act, the importance of stakeholder involvement, the importance of data quality and impact on decaying infrastructure, the need for cost/benefit analysis and how they all connect to growth and sustainability...my eyes have been opened...”**

- Hannatu Malum, Corporate Services, Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR)



**“Tremendous exposure to new challenges and opportunities in facilities and waste management...”**

- Michael Olubusayo Ashaolu,  
Dean, School of Engineering,  
Lagos State Polytechnic



**“Very Impressive”**

- Godwin Ibe,  
Asset Integrity Manager,  
SEPLAT Petroleum  
Development Company

**“Excellent Summit! We should enforce the recommendation of this summit to the government through any means that will force them to accept responsibility. This summit has been productive...”**

- Babalola Morola, MD/CEO, PWV Management Services Ltd.



**“This summit has been great with professionals from different backgrounds to share their experiences. I see a far better and maintained infrastructure in Nigeria resulting in economic growth as a result of this summit!”**

- Olumide Aina, Principal Facilities Manager, Ora Egbunike & Associates



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- Joel Mukollos, Manager Maintenance, NNPC-WRPC



**“Quite interactive, eye-opening with lovely networking opportunities...I will be back next year”**

- Inara George, Chief Executive Officer, Infusion Connoisseur Limited



**“I am now well exposed to drive the management of my organisation's facilities”**

- Amos Yohanna, Head of Administration, Nigerian Christian Pilgrims Commission, Abuja

**“It was impactful, informative and has increased my drive to push forward for change in areas within my influence.”**

- Elijah Akpan Ekpe, Supervisor, Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR)



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#### Some of the Participants at the Asset Summit Africa 2015



**"I ATTENDED ASSET SUMMIT AFRICA 2015 AND I AM SICK AND TIRED OF THE LACK OF MAINTENANCE CULTURE"**

The summit succeeded in getting the message across that "Most business owners need to understand that asset management is not a part of maintenance but that maintenance and facilities management are vital parts of the whole life of an asset".

This Asset Summit Africa is the only event of its kind that brings people from all sectors to tackle the issues of Asset Management & Maintenance Culture and will be back in 2016.

It is our hope that Asset Management of which Maintenance is one of the components is seen by all stakeholders as critical. Hence, maintenance becomes the norm as government institutions set standards for future practice within the public and private sectors.

Our appreciation goes to all the participants as well as to the UK Trade and Investment (UKTI), our Strategic Partner (AMFacilities), the Nigerian High Commission in London, International Facility Management Association (IFMA), the Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE), Occupational Safety and Health Association (OSHA) Nigeria Region, the Nigeria Christian Pilgrim Commission, the Office of Facility Management & Maintenance, Lagos State and all the companies that have supported us.

In CODUB's spirit of **talking**, **listening** and **sharing**, we look forward to meeting you at Asset Summit Africa in 2016...Nigeria or Ghana?





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