

## ATIKU INSTITUTE FOR DEVELOPMENT

### WHO WE ARE

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The Atiku Institute for Development (AID) is the hub of all development and humanitarian activities at the American University of Nigeria (AUN). Under the office of the Vice Chancellor/President, AID serves as the link between research and development, providing an opportunity for the faculty and students of the AUN to conduct research, access funding to implement research findings. AID is located on the ground floor of the digital library at AUN. AID was created in 2014 first as a centre focused on development, entrepreneurship and leadership, it was later transformed into an institute in 2019 to lead all development and humanitarian, funded research activities of the University.

The Institute is led by Audu Liman, a seasoned project and program Administrator. The Institute has a set of core staff employed by AUN to provide support to projects. These staff include a team of technical experts in various areas of development including education, livelihoods, health, peace building, governance, monitoring and evaluation etc. In addition the Institute also provides direct administrative support to all projects in areas including, contract administration, finance, procurement and human resource in addition to other support services such as security, communication, legal affairs and IT.

The Institute provides a one stop shop for all development initiatives utilizing our local knowledge and global expertise to study problems, develop solutions and productize the implementation of the solutions in the form of projects. A major role of the Institute is serving as a learning and resource centre where AUN faculty are supported to get funding to conduct research and experience hands on project management. AUN students are given opportunities to work on projects as interns and get critical project experience while earning some income to support their study.

Atiku Institute for Development is respected within the development community in Nigeria for its local solutions to local problems, cost effective project implementation and effective project management. This is possible due to the comparative advantage we have, of access to high quality faculty and progressive students and top class university infrastructure, systems and structures that together complement donor funds as we implement projects.

#### **Location**

Digital Library Building, ground floor

#### **Working Hours**

Monday to Friday; 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

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