

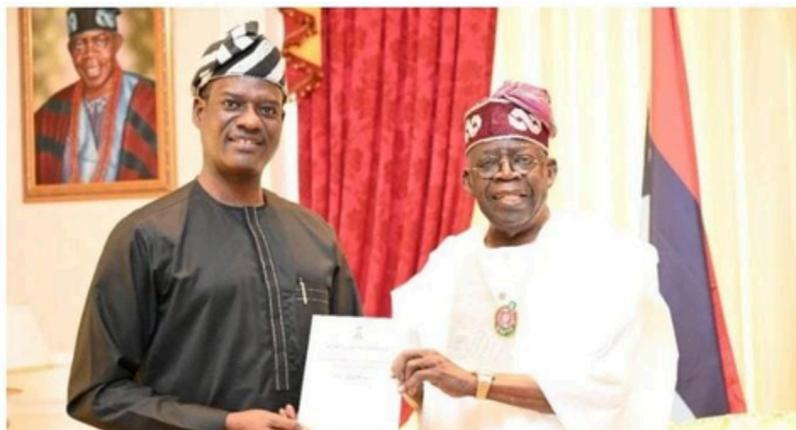
# NEWSLETTER



## **REGISTRAR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S CORNER**

I welcome you all to this edition of the ICAN Newsletter. However, I am writing this with a mixed-filling about happenings within the Institute in the last one week. We were still basking in the euphoria of the nomination of one of our own, the tax czar, Mr. Taiwo Oyedele, FCA as a Minister of State for Finance by President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, when a devastating news hit us in the face – the passing of our erudite Professor Kabir Isa Dandago, FCA. However, we pray that the almighty should direct Mr. Oyedele's steps in his new assignment while God should repose the soul of Professor Dandago in Aljanat Fridaus and be with the family he left behind. All the details you need to know are published in this edition.

You will also read an important message published for professional members. They are reminded to keep their annual subscriptions up to date. Members who remain in default for two consecutive years are advised to clear up their debts to avoid suspension, while those in default for three consecutive years may be delisted from the Institute's register. Members are enjoined to settle all outstanding subscriptions on or before 31 March 2026, as the above measures will take effect from 1 April 2026. Happy reading.



## **TINUBU NOMINATES TAIWO OYEDELE AS MINISTER**

President Bola Ahmed Tinubu has nominated Mr Taiwo Oyedele, FCA as the Minister of State for Finance, replacing Dr Doris Uzoka-Anite, the hitherto occupier of the post.

Dr Uzoka-Anite will now move to the Ministry of Budget and National Planning, as the Minister of State.

President Tinubu has conveyed the nomination of Oyedele to the Senate for confirmation in a letter to the Senate President, Godswill Akpabio.

Until President Tinubu nominated him as a Minister, Oyedele from Ikaram, Akoko, Ondo State, was the chairman of the Presidential Committee on Fiscal Policy and Tax Reforms, which recently overhauled Nigeria's tax system.

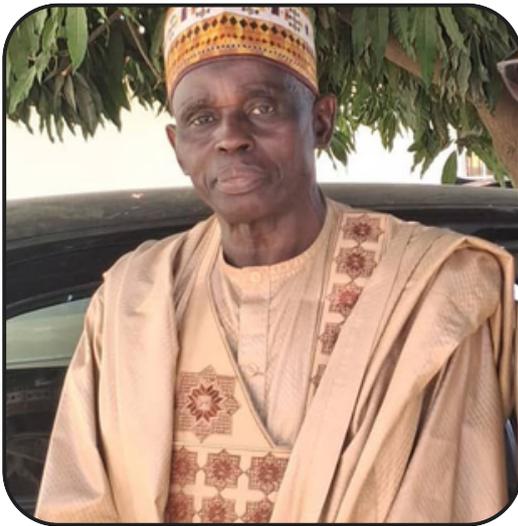
Oyedele, 50, is an Economist, Chartered Accountant and Public Policy expert.

He attended Yaba College of Technology, where he obtained Higher National Diploma (HND) in Accountancy and Finance. He attended Oxford Brookes University and earned a BSc in Applied Accounting.

He also completed Executive Education programmes at the London School of Economics; Yale University; the Gordon Institute of Business Science; and the Harvard Kennedy School

Oyedele spent 22 years of his working career at PwC, joining in 2001 and rising to become the Fiscal Policy Partner and Africa Tax Leader. Oyedele is also a visiting scholar at the Lagos Business School.

## ICAN MOURNS THE PASSING OF PROFESSOR ISA KABIRU DANDAGO, FCA



The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) today paid its last respects to Professor Isa Kabiru Dandago, FCA, a distinguished scholar, mentor, and pillar of the academic community. In attendance were revered past ICAN Presidents, Mallam Ismail Zakari and Mallam Tijjani Isa Musa, Council Member Hon. Nasiru Muhammed, former Executive Secretary of the Financial Reporting Council, Ahmed Shu'aibu, past and current Chairmen of the Kano/Jigawa Districts, the SWAN Chairperson for Kano/Jigawa, many members of the Institute, and staff of the ICAN Kano Liaison office.

ICAN also visited his family to offer condolences and support during this time of loss.

Prof. Dandago's passing is a profound loss. Beyond his academic achievements, he embodied humility, discipline, and selfless service. His life reminds us that true greatness is measured by the lives we uplift, the knowledge we share, and the legacy of mentorship and guidance we leave behind. ICAN honors his enduring contributions and the inspiration he leaves for generations to come.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ICAN MEMBERS

Professional members are kindly reminded to keep their annual subscriptions up to date.

Members who remain in default for two consecutive years risk suspension, while those in default for three consecutive years may be delisted from the Institute's register.

**All outstanding subscriptions should be regularized on or before 31 March 2026, as these measures will take effect from 1 April 2026.**

For enquiries, please contact [subscription@ican.org.ng](mailto:subscription@ican.org.ng)

Thank you for supporting the standards and integrity of the Institute.

**THE REVIEW OF 2015 ICAN SCALE OF PROFESSIONAL FEES**

ICAN is reviewing the 2015 Scale of Professional Fees to ensure it reflects current professional practice and market realities.

- Share your practical experience
- Highlight what works well.
- Point out areas that need improvement.

Take the survey here:  
<https://bit.ly/ICANSURVEY>

Your input will make a difference

**NOMINATION IS OPEN**  
**ICAN MERIT AWARD 2026**

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria invites nominations for the 2026 ICAN Merit Award in recognition of outstanding contributions by Members, Non Members, Young Professionals, and Corporate Organisations.

**AWARD CATEGORIES**

- Members' Diamond Award – 3 Slots
- Non Members' Diamond Award – 3 Slots
- Young Members' Award (Men) – 1 Slot
- Young Members' Award (Women) – 1 Slot
- Corporate Award – 2 Slots

**DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2026**

For full guidelines and details, visit this link:  
<https://bit.ly/ICANAwardNomination>

**25<sup>th</sup> FELLOWSHIP CONFIRMATION CEREMONY**

The Fellowship status of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) is the highest designation a member can attain in his/her professional career as a Chartered Accountant.

**Venue:** Balmoral Convention Centre (Federal Palace Hotel), 8 Ahmadu Bello Way, Victoria Island Lagos, Nigeria

**Date:** Saturday, May 2, 2026 **Time:** 11:00 am

**FEE: #200,000**  
*(Once shared only)*

**Eligibility:**

- The following categories of members are eligible for transfer to Fellowship status:
- Members in Practice: An eligible member must:
  - Hold a valid Practice Certificate issued before January 1, 2026, with a minimum of five (5) years' tenure.
  - Have been a practicing member for a valid license for at least five (5) years.
- Members Not in Practice: An eligible member must have been included as an Associate (AC) not less than ten (10) years prior to the date of the next confirmed meeting, both in and out of Nigeria, in 2021.

**Benefits of the Fellowship Designation:**

- Priority seating at all ICAN events
- Professional Centre operations
- Priority for ICAN Committee appointments
- Priority for senior role applications
- No additional fee payable for the ICAN
- High level professional networking
- Career progression and advancement

**Important Notes:**

- Applicants must belong to a District Society and have fully settled all membership and District Society dues before applying
- Family members seeking a surname change on official grounds must effect the change prior to application
- Other registration and payment close on Saturday, April 18, 2026
- Candidates are invited to attend the program #ICAN25thFellowship
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**Fees and Application Procedure**

- The fee for the Fellowship status is #200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand Naira) payable to ICAN
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**For further enquiries:**

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Address: Plot 16, Wafar, Taylor Street, Victoria Island, Lagos

Website: [www.ican.org](http://www.ican.org)

**For full details, visit this link:**  
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**Laure Oluosunkami, Ph.D., FCA**  
Registrar/Chief Executive

**ICAN 2026 COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

**A CALL TO SERVICE**

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria invites eligible members to submit nominations for the 2026 Council Elections.

**NOMINATION WINDOW**

Opens: February 27, 2026  
Closes: March 16, 2026

**KEY DATES**

- Subscription Deadline: April 30, 2026
- Voting Commences: May 26, 2026 at 12:00 PM
- Voting Closes & Results Announced: May 29, 2026 at 12:00 PM

Voting will be conducted electronically

For full details on vacancies, eligibility requirements, and nomination procedures, please visit the News & Upcoming Programmes section of the ICAN website.

<http://www.icanig.org/>

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**11<sup>th</sup> ACAF**

DATE: MONDAY, MARCH 30 – WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026  
VENUE: UNIVERSITY OF MAIDUGURI, NIGERIA  
FORMAT: HYBRID (PHYSICAL & VIRTUAL)

**CALL FOR PAPERS – SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

**AREAS OF SUBMISSION (INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO):**

- Curriculum Innovation,
- Academia-Industry Bridging,
- Sustainability & ESG,
- Digital Transformation & AI,
- Ethics & Governance,
- Public Sector Accounting, etc

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Abstract Deadline: February 28, 2026
- Full Paper Deadline: March 15, 2026
- Conference Dates: March 30 – April 1, 2026

**FOR FULL DETAILS, VISIT:**

[https://icanig.org/documents/ACAF\\_CallForPapers\\_Jan2026.pdf](https://icanig.org/documents/ACAF_CallForPapers_Jan2026.pdf)

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**FEES / MCPD CREDIT HOURS:**

- Physical Paper Presenters: #70,000 (16 credit hours)
- Virtual Paper Presenters: #52,500 (16 credit hours)
- Early bird discount of 10% available until February 28, 2026

Submit to: [researchandtechnical@ican.org](mailto:researchandtechnical@ican.org)

**Laure Oluosunkami, Ph.D., FCA**  
Registrar/Chief Executive

**SAVE the DATE**

ICAN 60th Anniversary  
**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Friday 10th & Saturday 11th April, 2026

Ikeja Golf Club

Contact: Mr. Shakiru Balogun 08067069136 or Seun Aderibigbe 08082177749

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