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The 6th Global Academic Doctors Congress

The 6th Global Academic Doctors Congress was held on October 26 – 28, 2023, at Dillard University in the Center for Racial Justice in New Orleans, LA.

Theme: Globalization of Social Justice: Perspective on Economic, environmental, Health and Technology.

Day 1 started with a welcome address by Dr. Ashraf Esmail, the conference chair. Opening remarks by Dr. Henrietta Okoro, **President and Founder of the World for Association of Academic Doctors (WAAD)**. In attendance were participants from around the world representing several universities in the United States of America and Africa. The Vice Chancellor of Bayelsa Medical University, Professor Ebutimitula Etebu, was also featured at the event.

Keynote speaker Dr. Sherice Nelson discussed how the system is changing in the United States of America. She also stated that education is a public good, and because of the shifting change, we are in CRISIS!!!

Student poster presentations

1. **Khaliyah Pearson**- Black Education: A Tool for Resistance.
 2. **Malena Mitchell**- African Americans: The Legacy of Slavery in the US
 3. **Asia Collins**-Debt Bondage: Slavery to Present Day
 4. **Keymoni Coleman**-The Resilience of African American Music: Slaves Songs to Hip Hop
 5. **Jordan Winder**- Soul Food: Food Policy and Law.
 6. **Leah Moore**-Webber- Slavery and the Real Truth
 7. **Veijah Johnson**- African American Spirituals: Songs of Resistance and Survival
 8. **Jada Edward**- Tales of the Bayou and many more. There were 26 presented.
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In the afternoon, a panel was formed, and the presenter was Rev. Brisbon with a 5-member panel that presented on Unity in community and The Role of HBCUs and Spiritual Heritage in Promoting Racial Justice.

Presenter- Dr. Okoro presented Information Governance Best Practices—a perspective of Economics, Health, and Technology.

Presenter- Mr. Geeta Sandeep Nadella presented: Validating the IS impact on Education in U.S. High Schools Using the IS-Impact Measurement Model—A Quantitative Study.

Presenter- Dr. Pope presented Business Intelligence and Call to Action: Understanding Barriers to Application Means Studying Behavior.

International presenters, including Professor Chioma Nwakanma, presented: Coping with Climate Variability and Emerging Environmental Crisis in Coastal Areas of Southern Nigeria: A Study.

Presenter- Dr. Ojel Clara Anidi, presented: Linguistic Analysis and Graph Illustrations of Selected Igbo African Folktales as Education Resources in Nigeria.

Day 1 presentation was ended by Dr. Angela Esedebe, who presented The Importance of Understanding Current Global Migration Trends, and Dr. Ghosh Thinnakkakath, who introduced An Analysis of Strategic Leadership Skills in Implementing Artificial Intelligence (AI).

Day 2 of the WAAD conference began with the Social Injustices Around the World Project. The project was conducted by over 300 students from Middle schools and High schools in New Orleans. Three WAAD members served as judges for this project. The three members were Dr. Henrietta Okoro, Dr. Angela Esedebe, and Dr. Njideka Kelley. Students had 15 minutes to educate the audience on the causes, consequences, and solutions to the injustices in their chosen country. It was interesting to see students end their presentations with a brief discussion of how social injustice worldwide was like what was taking place in their communities in New Orleans. The judges were impressed that students these young understood the importance of everyone working towards a more just and equitable society. Together, we must work to create a world where everyone has equal opportunities to thrive.

Presentations focused on the following countries: Brazil, Kenya, Thailand, India, South Sudan, Vietnam, South Africa, Russia, Argentina, Honduras, Haiti, Jamaica, Greenland, Iran, Afghanistan, Canada, Uruguay, China, and the United States. WAAD Judges presented awards to students who made the best projects on the social injustices in Honduras, South Africa, Argentina, and Thailand. Following the middle and high school students' presentations on their choice of country and social justice, a **panel discussion was held with middle and high school students from Ben Franklin, Chalmette High, and St. Augustine students** to discuss areas of concern for youth in relation to racial and social justice issues. This was moderated by Hangout Nola Ray Bender.



The conference continued with WAAD members giving oral presentations on their area of research and their research findings. Dr. Teibowei Marie Therese presented Medical Translation Processes and Meta-Analysis of Translational Methodologies via Zoom Meeting. The rest of the presentations were in person. Dr. Yaguo Eremasi Benjamin Ikele, as a co-author with Dr. Egbo Mansi, presented on the Occurrence of Cadmium in Boreholes Water in Yenagoa Metropolis of Bayelsa State and the Toxicological Risk Implication. Dr. Chinyere Ukomadu and Dr. Henrietta Okoro explained the Educational Module and Managing Patient Non-Compliance in the Health System. Dr. James Lester presented Decision Making and Leadership. Dr. Alexander Onukwugha demonstrated: Causes of Resistance to Learn and Change: Remedies to Overcome Practice.

Another **international presenter**, Dr. Cecily Nwokocha, presented on the Viability and Sustainability of Renewable Energy in Nigeria by the End of the 21st Century. After the research presentation by WAAD members, the Communique team gave summaries of the two-day conference at Dillard University. WAAD's Founder and CEO, Dr. Henrietta Okoro, gave a closing speech highlighting the closing ceremony activities after she awarded all presenters/attendees certificates of participation.

Day 3 started with a tour of the New Orleans French Quarter and museums, followed by the Closing Ceremony, new members Induction, and Dinner Cruise. The new members, gold and silver level members, were recognized, including the Founder/CEO, Dr. Henrietta Okoro, who received a visionary and exemplary leadership award.

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A tour of the Dillard University campus took place after the student presentations.