

2nd ANNUAL OKPE WORLD CONFERENCE

DECEMBER 22 - 24, 2007

Orerokpe, Delta State. Nigeria

The Editorial Board of OKPE VOICE cordially invites all Okpe sons and daughters to participate at the **2nd Annual Okpe World Conference**, which will be held on December 22 – 24, 2007, in Orerokpe. The Okpe World Conference is part of the activities for the Adane Okpe Festival.

Royal Father: His Royal Majesty Orhue 1, CFR., The Orodje of Okpe Kingdom

VENUE: Adane Okpe Hall, Orerokpe.

About the OKPE VOICE

Established by a group of Okpe nationals in May 2005, OKPE VOICE provides a forum for the promotion and defence of Okpe interests. Okpe Voice provides a platform for the articulation of critical issues on leadership in Okpeland. It performs these functions by publishing papers on all aspects of development in Okpeland - History, Language, Culture, Politics, Economics, etc. It is a cyberspace institute of Okpe studies. The web site of the OKPE VOICE <http://www.okpenation.org> is the premier source of Okpe History and Culture in the cyberspace.

Registration

Prospective participants are advised to register with Dr. Hope Eghagha by sending a note to him at heghagha@yahoo.com or by phone at 0802-322-0393. Paper presenters are advised to submit drafts of their papers to Dr. Eghagha.

THEME: ISSUES IN OKPE LEADERSHIP

Programme

Saturday, December 22, 2007: 9:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Session: Okpe Traditional Rulership

Venue: Adane Okpe Hall, Orerokpe.

Chair: TBD

9:30 - 10:00 a.m.: Welcome Address: HRM Orhue I, Orodje of Okpe Kingdom

10:15 – 10:35 a.m. Keynote Address: Chief Margaret Unukegwo

10:40 - 11:00 a.m.: Dr. (Prince) I. S. Mebitaghan **(topic to be confirmed)**

11:10 - 11:30 a.m.: Speaker (TBD)

11:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon: Comments/Discussion

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Launching of the Institute of Okpe Studies: Chief Launcher. Chief Ede Dafinone

Session: Community Leadership in Okpe Kingdom

Venue: Okpe Hall

Chair: TBD

2:30 - 2:50 p.m.: Hope Eghagha, Ph.D. Leadership Imperatives in Okpeland

2:55 - 3:15 p.m.: Tony Okeregbe, PhD **(topic to be confirmed)**

3:20 - 5:00 p.m.: Comments/discussion

Sunday, December 23, 2007: 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.: Interdenominational Church Service. Pastor (TBD)

Venue: Adane Okpe Hall.

Session: Women and Youth in Okpe Leadership

10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Venue: Adana Okpe Hall, Orerokpe

Chair: TBD

10:30 – 10:50 a.m.: Ms. Temisaren Edafe. Youth in Okpe Leadership

10:50 – 11: 20 a.m.: Speaker (TBD)

11:20 – 11:40 a.m.: Speaker (TBD)

11:40 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Comments/discussion

12:40 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch

Session: Resource Management and Leadership in Okpe Kingdom

Venue: Adane Okpe Hall.

Chair: TBD

2:10 - 2:30 p.m.: Speaker Mr. Anthony Biokoro. Okpe Local Government Administration: A Historical and Contemporary Perspective on Issues Effectiveness

2:30 - 2:50 p.m.: Speaker (TBD)

3:10 - 4:30 p.m. Comments/Discussion

5:00 p.m.: Cultural Display

Monday, December 24, 2007: 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Round Table Discussion: Political Leadership in Okpe Kingdom

Venue: Adane Okpe Hall.

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Moderator: TBD

Panelists:

- TBD
- TBD
- TBD

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon: Lunch

12:30 p.m. GENERAL MEETING ON OKPE KINGDOM

Venue: Adane Okpe Hall

Chair: TBD

Agenda

- **Opening Prayer and Traditional Welcome**
- **Chairman's Opening Remarks**
- **Discussions on an Okpe Agenda**
- **Next Steps**
- **Communique**
- **Closing**

Hope Eghagha, PhD

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