

## 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER 2021 3PUCF MEETING REPORT

The Second Quarter 2021 Public Private Partnership Unit Consultative Forum (3PUCF) meeting, a knowledge and experience sharing platform comprising of Heads of PPP Units across federal MDAs held on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and was hosted by the Federal Roads Management Agency (FERMA) at the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing Office in Abuja.

In his opening speech, the Ag. DG of ICRC Mr. Michael Ohiani after welcoming all participants, requested that a minute's silence be observed in honor of the late DG ICRC, Engr. Chidi K.C. Izuwah who unfortunately passed away on 16th March 2021 after a brief illness.

He used the opportunity to remind the Forum that a regulatory notice had been published in the national dailies in March 2021 and a copy of same with a cover letter was sent to all MDAs with PPP projects not yet in ICRC custody, to regularize their documents with the Commission. He expressed disappointment about the low number of responses so far received by the Commission and urged all MDAs to kindly comply immediately.

A detailed presentation was made by Dr. Jobson Ewalefoh, Director, Contract Compliance Department on the topic "PPP Contract Review: Renegotiation, Extension, Renewal & Termination". He explained the various components of a PPP contract, he also gave examples of various contract negotiation techniques and re-emphasized the need to check smart bidders. He emphasized on the need for MDAs to go through the various conflict resolution processes outlined in the PPP contracts before considering the termination of any contracts.

Another presentation was made by Mr. Yusuf Haruna, Head of Aviation and Marine unit of the Transportation Infrastructure Department of ICRC. In his presentation, he highlighted the objectives and various components of the Aviation sector roadmap, which was approved by the President in 2016. He gave a brief overview and updates regarding the concession of four major international airports, the establishment of a national carrier and the establishment of Aviation Leasing Company.

He proceeded to highlight the advantages of Maintenance, Repair and Operation (MRO) facilities to the aviation sector in Nigeria. He then went on to further explain the processes achieved so far in the establishment of MRO facilities in Nigeria.

To end the meeting, Dr. Okere on behalf of the Ag. DG ICRC thanked the participants for their contributions to the deliberations.