

## Q4 2023 3PUCF Meeting Report

Participants at the fourth quarter, 2023 meeting of the Public Private Partnership Units' Consultative Forum (3PUCF), held on December 18, 2023 at Fraiser Suite in Abuja, resolved to remain dauntless in their commitment to advancing Public Private Partnership (PPP) in Nigeria.

The meeting featured participants from PPP Units of various government organisations including:

Nigeria Institute of Transport Technology (NITT), Zaria, Nigerian Meteorological Agency (NIMET), State House, Nigeria Port Authority (NPA), Ministry for Youths and Sports, Federal Polytechnic Nekede, Nigeria Police Force, Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA). Office of the Head of Civil Service of the Federation (OHSCF), and the ICRC.

The meeting commenced with an opening address by the representative of the Head of Civil Service of the Federation, Mrs Agalasi E. Ehigie, Director Infrastructure OHSCF, who welcomed all MDAs present and appreciated ICRC. She also delivered felicitations from the Head of Civil Service of the Federation.

“The journey of 1000 miles starts with a step; we are now seeing more MDAs setting up PPP units in their various organizations” she said. The Chairperson welcomed all members of the 3PUCF once again while wishing them a fruitful deliberation,”

In his welcome address, the Director General of the ICRC, Michael Ohiani showcased the Commission's remarkable achievements for the year and commended all for their tireless efforts in seeing PPPs thrive.

Ohiani said that in the last quarter, the commission had successfully issued Outline and Full Business Case Compliance Certificates in respect to key PPP projects from several MDAs.

He said between October and December 2023, the commission issued 15 Outline Business Case (OBC) Compliance Certificates and eight Full Business Case (FBC) Compliance Certificates.

Ohiani said the Commission, in the fourth quarter, also secured Federal Executive Council approval in respect of the Central Workshop Ijora, a project under the Federal Ministry of Works.

He added that other projects that had been issued OBC Compliance Certificates in the fourth quarter included the Development of Commercial Duplexes and Lock-up Shops at Afforestation Programme Coordinating Unit Premises, Kano.

"Others are the Development of Commercial Duplexes at Federal School of Forestry, Jos, Auto Gas Project Lot in the six geo-political zones and the FCT, and National Transport Data Bank and other Integrated Technologies Project," he said.

In her remarks, the Executive Director Risks at Ministry of Finance Incorporated (MOFI), Mrs. Kemi Owonubi, who represented the DG/CEO MOFI, she gave a brief overview about MOFI activities.

She underscored the importance of MOFI's collaboration with ICRC in the aspect of keeping track of all Federal Government Assets.

She highlighted the three mandates of MOFI to include: Identify what Federal Government of Nigeria owns, optimize the value of Federal Governments Assets and make new investments on behalf of the Federal Government.

The meeting also featured a presentation by Barr. Komomo Okoi, a member of the Legal Unit at ICRC, who dwelt on strengthening the ICRC Act.

Her presentation was titled: "Legal and Regulatory Landscape; ICRC Act, Nigeria's PPP process (Law and Policy) & other best practices".

The meeting ended with a business session by members of the 3PUCF, followed by a vote of thanks by ACP Emeka Ofor from the Nigeria Police.

Dr. Ejike PPP Unit Head Nekede Polytechnic, moved for 2024 Adjournment and Halirat Sulieman from FERMA seconded the motion.