

## **Ondo appoints RUGIPO Rector**

The Ondo Government has appointed Dr. Igbekele Ajibefun as the substantive Rector of the Rufus Giwa Polytechnic Owo, in Ondo State.

The State Commissioner for information, Mr Ranti Akerele, in a statement yesterday said the appointment takes immediate effect.

Born on 28th July, 1964, Ajibefun, a First Class Honours graduate of the Federal University of Technology, Akure, began his academic career in 1993 as an assistant lecturer, from where he rose to become an Associate Professor in October, 2006. He has, before his rise to the rank of Associate Professor, had his M.Sc and PhD at the University of Ibadan and the Federal University of Technology, Akure, respectively.

A registered member of the European Society for Soil Conservation, Ajibefun is also a member of the International Association of Agricultural Economists, the African Economic Research Consortium, the Asian Society of Agricultural Economists, the Nigerian Economic Society and the Nigerian Participatory Rural Appraisal Network.

Dr Ajibefun is an outstanding scholar with evidence of scholarly publications in both local and international journals and parades remarkable years of experience in tertiary institution management.

An author, a contributor to and reviewer of academic and professional journals, the new Rector has also provided consultancy services to some Non-government Organizations and Government parastatals within and outside the nation among which are the World Bank, USAUID and the IFAD/FGN projects.

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