

EDITORIAL NOTE

The Nigerian Journal of Communication (TNJC) hereby presents Volume 19 (1) which is a conference edition of the journal. The 2022 conference which was delayed due to Covid-19 and Industrial action by university-based unions ultimately took place in January 2023 with the theme ‘Communicating Science, Technology and Innovation in times of Economic Distress, Terror and Global Pandemic’. Nine papers from twenty authors are contained in this edition. This edition is also the first one to be produced by the new editorial board of the journal.

In this edition, two papers analysed the use of social media in monkeypox awareness and agricultural technology thereby underlying the rise of social media especially during the Covid-19 pandemic lockdown which drew huge traffic to them. However, majority of the papers are in health communication area; monkeypox, drug abuse; awareness of Covid-19 testing, and health risk from mobile drug vendors. Two papers focus on broadcasting; attitude of journalists toward digitalisation and perception of television’s effectiveness in reporting science and technology. One paper focused on textual analysis of two Nollywood films with respect to techno-scientific innovations. The results presented in these papers are quite revealing and therefore fills in studies about communication in Nigeria where all the papers are contextualised.

I use this opportunity to thank the editorial board for their support and contribution in ensuring that this edition sees the light of the day. I also extend appreciation to all the reviewers who took their time to ensure that the much needed academic quality is instilled in the papers.

The TNJC, despite the lean resources of ACCE Nigeria, will continue to maintain two editions in a year as much as possible. The editorial board will consider inviting proposals from guest editors who are members of ACCE Nigeria to produce specially-themed edition as non-conference version of the journal. This will be done to stimulate research and publication to fill the void in some topical areas in communication discipline.

Finally, I wish you a happy reading and success in your research endeavors.



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