

Osun Economic Summit: Government to align development agenda with private sector needs

The forthcoming Economic and Investment Summit proposed by the State Government of Osun is designed to align its development agenda with private sector needs.

Co-chairman of the Summit Planning Committee and Supervisory Commissioner for Budget and Economic Planning in the state, Professor Olalekan Yinusa, has submitted.

Yinusa gave the submission while reviewing preparations for the 3 day event, which will run from 25th -27th June, 2019.

According to Yinusa, the Summit is expected to bring the State Government of Osun together with prospective local and international investors to discuss specific areas of possible collaboration and partnership.

He said Governor Gboyega Oyetola would present the economic roadmap of his administration and showcase investment opportunities in the state to prospective investors and partners at the Summit.

He explained further that the Summit would not be a “talk-show,” but would comprise mainly of plenary sessions, having up to 52 key economic drivers in the country as speakers, panelists and moderators.

Yinusa gave the main focus areas of the Summit as agriculture; mining; Information Communication Technology (ICT)/Innovation; Culture, tourism and Creative Economy; Youth and Jobs; Infrastructure/Public-private Partnership (PPP); Industry,

Commerce and Market; Healthcare; Technical and Vocation Education; Environment (Waste to Wealth), and Service Delivery Frameworks.”

“The Summit will reflect some specific roadmap on how Osun economy should be run in fulfillment of the governor’s electoral campaign promises to run all inclusive, participatory and people-oriented government”.

“It will serve as an intellectual economic forum where there’ll be cross-fertilization of ideas, opinions and views that will help to chart a new course and a workable economic roadmap”.

“We have identified specific socio-economic and infrastructure drivers and pillars to rest the success of our economy on and this will spread across the critical sectors”.

“The development pillars will be hinged on Economic Development; Infrastructure Development; Human Capital Development and Security Advancement, and Environmental Sustainability”, he said.

The Osun Economic Summit Co-chairman also noted that the seriousness attached by the administration of Governor Oyetola to governance pushes it to adopt the Summit as one of the extra-ordinary measures to reposition the economy of the state for prosperity and growth.

The idea of the Osun Economic and Investment Summit is one sure way of attaining that envisioned growth, Yinusa stressed.

Scheduled to participate are Mrs Ibukun Awosika, Chairman, First bank PLC, Mr Asue Ighodalo, Chairman, Nigerian Economic Summit Group (NESG) and Mr Usman Muhammed, Managing Director, Transmission Company of Nigeria as well as the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN).