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Mayaki briefs SG Ban Ki Moon on 10 years of NEPAD

As part of the NEPAD's ten year anniversary commemoration at the United Nations in New York, Dr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, CEO of the NEPAD Agency briefed Mr. Bank Ki Moon, the UN Secretary-General on NEPAD's achievements, challenges and future outlook for the next decade.

The meeting between the CEO of the NEPAD Agency and the UN Secretary General is part of a series of ongoing high-level meetings and events designed to foster debates and generate suggestions for further improvements that have been slated to take place from 6 to 12 October in New York, at the UN headquarters, at the African Union Permanent Observer Mission to the UN and at Columbia University.

Shortly after its adoption by African leader ten years ago, the NEPAD plan became the main UN vehicle supporting Africa. Over the past decade, NEPAD promoted bold and innovative approaches in various sectors, including agriculture, new technologies and governance. "Our initiatives are progressively bearing fruits on the grounds and we expect the plan's impact to be stronger in coming years," affirms Mr. Mayaki. "Already, it has changed the perception people have of Africa," he adds.

In February 2010, NEPAD was officially incorporated into the African Union (AU) formal structures with the creation of the NPCA.

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Scholarship in honor of ECA staffer awarded at Truman State University

Truman State University in Missouri, United States recently announced that it was awarding, for the first time this year, the Dr. Emmanuel Nnadozie McNair Endowed Scholarship. Dr. Nnadozie is the Director of Economic Development and NEPAD Division at the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA).

The university said the scholarship was

established in honor of Dr. Emmanuel Nnadozie, first director of the McNair Program at Truman State University. The fund has received many gifts from staff and faculty. It is an endowment and is open to additional gifts. Many of his ECA colleagues have promised to contribute to the endowment in order to keep the awards going.

The goal of the scholarship is to assist

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Mayaki calls for improved strategic partnerships in support of the AU's NEPAD programme

The first decade of the existence of NEPAD has been characterised by the formation of policy frameworks that have helped countries to realise improvements in their agriculture, infrastructure and health sectors. Strengthened partnerships are required in order to achieve greater results.

The future of NEPAD is going to be focused on working with regional economic communities (RECs), strategic partnerships and on implementation, said the CEO of NEPAD Agency, Mr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

According to Mr. Mayaki, the birth of NEPAD in 2001, has given rise to the presence of genuine and context-relevant poli-

cies, plans and frameworks for the development of Africa.

Mr. Mayaki was speaking at the 32nd plenary meeting of the sixty-sixth session of the UNGA on the agenda item titled: 'NEPAD: progress in implementation and international support; Causes of conflict and the Promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa; and the Decade of Rollback Malaria in Developing Countries particularly in Africa'.

In February 2010, NEPAD was officially incorporated into the African Union's (AU) formal structures and processes with the creation of the NEPAD Agency – as the technical body of the AU. It is in this regard that Mr. Mayaki had been invited to speak as an Observer under the auspices of the AU.

He went on to reveal that the 2010 integration of NEPAD into the AU had not only strengthened NEPAD, but also presented the programme with an opportunity to mainstream national ownership, to create the NEPAD Agency as a technical body of the AU and to be more open to the participation of civil society in the work of NEPAD.

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individuals who are first generation college students and also come from low-income family background.

To qualify for the scholarship, students must be participants in the McNair program. Applications are available online from Oct. 1-Nov. 1 at secure.truman.edu/isupport-s/scholarships.asp.

The McNair programmes mission is to increase Ph.D. degrees achieved by underrepresented segments of society. Since receiving its first grant in 1992, the program has produced: 28 alumni with Ph.Ds., 39 currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program, 145 alumni with masters degrees and 31 currently enrolled in a masters program.

Source: http://iseek.un.org/webpgdept2005_37.asp

Upcoming Event

- RIO+20, 20-22 Oct 2011, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- China Africa Business Forum 2011
20 Oct 2011, South Africa
- 6th African Economic Conference 2011
25-28 Oct 2011, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- NEPAD Infrastructure Conference 2011
26 -27 Oct 2011, Johannesburg, South Africa

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