

Profile of Prof. Olanrewaju Olaniyan

Olanrewaju Olaniyan is a Professor in the Department of Economics, and current Director, Centre for Sustainable development, University of Ibadan. He has over 20 years of research, consulting and tertiary teaching experience in Health and Population Economics, Economics of education, poverty and welfare analysis as well as social protection. He also has experience in social policy work in developing countries through which he had been able to interact and work with senior-level technocrats and officials. During 2003-4 he led a team organised by the National Planning Commission of Nigeria to prepare the Social Protection Policy for Nigeria. He was engaged as a World Bank consultant in 2006 -2007 to assist the National Poverty Eradication Programme (NAPEP) in Nigeria to develop her Participatory Poverty Monitoring and Evaluation framework. He was also a member of the national technical team that prepared the National Health Accounts for Nigeria in 2009. He was the team leader for Nigeria on the 5-country study on Shaping Social Protection in Nigeria: The National Transfer Accounts Approach, Research sponsored by the IDRC, Canada, October and which lasted for three years between 2008 and 2011. In 2013, he was engaged by the global office of the National Transfer Accounts, USA through the Foundation for Economic Education to lead a research team on Analysis of Economic Lifecycle Deficit and Demographic Dividends in Ghana. He has consulted widely for, and/or received research grants from many organizations/agencies. He was a Senior Associate Member, St Antony's College, University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom as well as visiting Research scholar to Cornell University, Ithaca, USA and University of Hawaii, USA. Olanrewaju was educated at the University of Ibadan, Nigeria where he obtained Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) (First Class Honours) Educational Management and Economics; and Ph.D., Economics.