

# ENUGU SECURITY SUMMIT



**Michael Ekwo Foundation**

In  
Collaboration with  
School of Communication Arts, Institute of Management & Technology

Theme:  
“Security, Society, and the State: The Shrinking Role of  
Government in National and Personal Security.”

Date:  
August 16-18, 2022

“Local Roots,  
Local Solutions,  
Global Scope”



# Overview

Traditional approaches to security prioritize the nation state's right to defend itself from external threats and focus on physical protection of lives and property. Human security has evolved to include different aspects of security. At the Enugu Security Summit, participants will dive into human security broadly defined to include the protection and empowerment of individuals as well as security threats related to economic, food, health, energy, and environmental insecurity. The Michael Ekwo Foundation for Peace and Security (MEF) conceptualizes individual security as essential for national, regional, community, and family stability.

Current security issues are thus multi-faceted and dynamic, with government intervention essential to ensure the human security and protection of local communities. In the face of the fading role of the state in security-related issues, the Enugu Security Summit represents an unprecedented effort by citizens and civil society to discuss the growing insecurity in Africa's most populous country, Nigeria. While governments at different levels may have made limited efforts to combat insecurity, citizen-driven efforts remain critical for any meaningful success in sustainable security policies. Michael Ekwo Foundation – a knowledge center for expanding technical capacity, training, and policy research on peace and security celebrates interdisciplinary study and creates unique platforms that facilitate discussion around specific subject areas, with the goal of generating new knowledge and understanding, forging, and expanding new international, intercultural, interdisciplinary research networks, partnerships, and institutional collaborations around the world. Consequently, MEF has gathered scholars, policy makers, law enforcement, and security experts to engage in meaningful dialogue to generate new thinking on contemporary security issues, deepen channels of communication across opinion leaders and experts, and examine different aspects of human security broadly defined - financial security, food security, health security, information security, and community security reform. It's MEF ideas festival!



# Schedule and Presentations

## Day 1

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

## Opening Statements:

9:45 – 10:00	Introductions
10:00 -10:05	Dr. Iyke Nnadiukwu, Director, School of Communication Arts, IMT, Enugu
10:05 -10:10	Dr. Uchenna Ekwo, Chair, MEF Board of Trustees
10:10 – 10:20	CP. Lawrence Alobi ( <i>MON</i> ) - Summit Chair Retired Commissioner of Police, Abuja FCT
10:20 – 10:45	Keynote Speech: <b>Professor Dame Nora L. Daduut</b> , <i>Senator of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, representing Plateau State South Senatorial District</i>
10:45 – 11:15	Prof. Robert Schwartz Rutgers University, Newark NJ
11:15 – 11:30	<b>His Excellency, Chief Ifeanyi Ugwuanyi</b> Executive Governor, Enugu State of Nigeria
11:35 – 12:55	Q & A
12:55 – 1:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>
1:30 – 3:00	Session 1

### *Human Security Vs. National Security*

Considering Nigeria's deteriorating security conditions and the current inability of state security forces to counter the increase in kidnappings for ransom, how can the Nigerian government enforce the implementation of laws, such as the newly introduced bill that seeks to prohibit the payment of ransom for the release of persons kidnapped, that are generally viewed by the public as harmful to their own personal security? Countering violent extremism consists of various prevention and intervention approaches to increase the resilience of communities and individuals to radicalization against violent extremism. What challenges do fragile states face in providing security? In the Nigerian context, what evolving threats must state security forces and state leaders address in their efforts to decrease the ability of violent extremist groups to recruit and mobilize foot soldiers? What factors determine/define the legitimacy bestowed on decentralized regional security outfits?

**Moderator:** CP Lawrence Alobi (*MON*)

**Room A:**

**Panelists:** Dr. Sirajo Yakubu - Nile University, Abuja  
Dr. Jumo Ayandele - New York University  
Okey Attah - Deputy Director, Department of State Security Services, Abuja  
Dr. Yvan Yenda - Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island  
Dr. Charles Anumudu - University of Nigeria, Nsukka

**Room B:** The panel of security practitioners will discuss contemporary security issues in Nigeria

**Moderator:** Dr. Frederick Onyia - University of Nigeria, Nsukka

**Panelists:**

Emeka Obiora -	Sonafem Security Ltd.
JohnDerrick Madubueze -	Security Consultant
Agha Udu Agha	Longus Security
Josiah Onyia	IMT, Enugu

**Rapporteurs:**

Okey Odogwu	Dream FM Radio
Uche Gabriel Uma	Solid FM Radio
Richard Asiegbu	Urban Radio

3:00 – 4:30

Session 2

### *Food Security, Food Safety, and Farming*

Food security is the measure of an individual's ability to access food that is nutritious and sufficient in quantity. The “perfect storm” of Covid-19, climate change, and conflict resulted in at least 276 million acutely food insecure people - a historic high - at the start of 2022. This number could reach 323 million this year because of the impacts of Russia’s war in Ukraine. Across cultures, food is a way to bring togetherness to the table and celebrate shared humanity. Food impacts all parts of daily life. It isn’t only about feeling full and satisfied, it’s also about feeling connected to community and belonging. Food security means all people having access to sufficient, safe, and nutritious food that meets their food preferences and dietary needs for an active and healthy life. Food security empowers women, families, and future generations. What is the level of women’s participation in agricultural production and provision of food amid threats of violence from unruly herdsmen in farmlands across the state?

4:30 – 5:30

Session 3

**Moderator:** Dr. Ogo Okonya, IMT, Enugu

**Panelists:** Dr. Maxwell Ngene,  
Attorney Charles Anyalogu,  
Onyinye Keleze,  
Dr. Joseph Siegle

**Rapporteurs:**

Hon. Charlie Nwokike	Political Consultant
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Dr. Charles Anumudu

University of Nigeria, Nsukka

## *Financial Literacy, Financial Security, and Family Stability*

The panel delves into the disproportionate gender gap in gaining access to financial services in Nigeria – a trend that leaves many women on the fringes of the financial sector—unable to save, borrow, or build capital.

**Moderator:** Chukwubuike Madu Radio Nigeria, Enugu

**Panelists:** Ibrahim Abubakar (Zenith Bank),  
Dr. Ogo Okonya  
Chinedu Oha (Fidelity Bank),  
Dr. Evans Woherem (former Director @ First Bank)  
Attorney Oby Onyemachi

## **Day 2: August 17, 2022**

### *Engaging Women in Peace and Security Processes*

9:30 – 12:00

Session 1

Women have potential to influence mainstream policy decisions on peace and security. Often, the society does not represent the views of women in the formal conflict prevention process, reconstruction, and peacebuilding efforts. Despite women playing important roles in grass-roots peacebuilding, communities and countries drown the voices of women among those who participate in formal peace negotiations. Women's involvement in community peace process requires the contribution and commitment to more gender inclusive participation. Any approach towards participation of women must recognize a fairer distribution of human responsibilities with the goal of transforming men's roles as well as those of women. Participants will discuss historical roles of women in peacebuilding as well as future potential for success in conflict prevention, management, and resolution. Panelists will review women's role in reinvigorating policies and priorities around peace, reconciliation, and family stability, as well as examine how contributions of women could be integrated into community development.

9:30 -10:00

Opening Statements:

CP Lawrence Alobi

Dr. Uchenna Ekwo

Mrs. Monica Ugwuanyi, First Lady, Enugu State

Moderator: Chinwe Ononye, Veteran Journalist and former Director of News, Radio Nigeria

Panelists: Prof. Joy Ezeilo, Prof. Gregory Ibe, Cecilia Amadi, Dr. Ojel Anidi, Astrid Hegemo, Dr. Ogo Okanya,



12:00 -12:30

Break

12:30 -2:30

Session 2

### *Information Security*

Information is a fundamental instrument of national and communal power. As the revolution in technology continues, information has become both a source and an instrument of power in democratic and undemocratic societies. The concept of information security and privacy relates to the practice of preventing unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, inspection, recording or destruction of information. The session on Information Security will focus on the protecting of information, sharing of information, and curating information for individual success and communal safety. How to guard personal privacy, digital footprints in the information age from your cell phones, email, social media to protecting bank transfers has become too important. Participants will learn about security violations related to the Internet of Things (IOT) in addition to proactive rather than reactive measures in Cybersecurity issues.

Key issues to be addressed at the session:

With the increase of #FakeNews and the limited coverage of attacks carried out by violent extremist groups in Africa, is it possible to control how the media covers the international actions of these groups?

Or is it out of our control what the media portrays because violent extremist organizations could potentially have control over what the media broadcasts?

How can state security outfits better coordinate in sharing information between bodies, agencies, and local community leaders?

How would a knowledge warehouse work in a Nigerian context?

What factors determine/define the legitimacy bestowed on decentralized regional security outfits?

**Moderator:** Dr. Ifeanyi Ojobor, IMT, Enugu

**Panelists:**

Dr. Evans Wohorem    Chairman, Digital Africa Global Consult Ltd.

Dr. Sixtus Ekwo        Lead IT Business Systems Analyst, North Carolina

Dr. Iyke Nnadiukwu    Director, School of Communication Arts, IMT, Enugu

Dr. Maxwell Ngene     Renaissance University, Ugbawka



2:30 – 3:30

Break/Networking

A major component of the summit is networking. This is an opportunity to interact with participants and guests including elected officials, celebrities, and varied professionals, as well as receive valuable information and feedback. Building a network with others is critical to success. Remember your network is your net worth.

3:30 – 4:30

Session 3:

### *Health Security*

Health security encompasses activities and measures across sovereign boundaries that reduce public health incidents to ensure the health of populations. The activities required, both proactive and reactive, to minimize the danger and impact of acute public health events that endanger people's health across geographical regions. Participants will learn evidence-based approach to sound healthcare practices including prevention and cure of common diseases.

**Moderator:** VinMartin Ilo, CEO Signature TV

**Panelists:** Prof. Robert Schwartz Rutgers University, Newark NJ  
Samirah Faruk Serendipity Healthcare, Kano  
Prof. Gregory Ibe - Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State  
Dr. Chuddy Anyanuka IMT, Enugu

4:30 -5:30

Wrap up

Rapporteurs wrap up the Enugu Security Summit.

Review of Summit/Survey of Participants

Draft Communique

Certificate of Participation - Participants will receive duly signed certificates of participation. To merit the certificate, each candidate will participate 80% or more throughout the summit.

**Moderators:** Dr. Uchenna Ekwo and Dr. Iyke Nnadiukwu

### **Day 3: August 18, 2022**

Rapporteurs meet to review summit

Meeting Coordinator: Dr. Chuddy Anyanuka