



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **NUC SECURES ACCESS TO EBSCOhost E-CONTENT FOR NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES VALUED AT 4 MILLION USD**

The NUC has secured access to all Ebsco host e-books collections and seven (7) Ebsco host research databases among which are full text e-journals, periodicals and magazines of several academic disciplines and professional specializations. These will be available for free to many Nigerian Universities until December 31st, 2016. These resources contains more than 100,000 high-quality e-book titles, 27,100 full-text journals, 18,430 indexed and abstracted journals, 9,041,400 searchable cited references daily updates and 630 videos with transcripts and related articles – all valued at about \$4 million. These, would, in fact, grow the number of available resources in the nation's University Libraries and as a result, heighten research activities amongst institutions in the Nigerian University System (NUS).

By accessing these resources, Nigerian Universities and Research Institutes will have access to a more and impactful collaboration resources and facilitates accreditation of programmes. In addition, it will improve their ranking.

Universities in Nigeria are hereby encouraged to utilise these resources which are available at no cost until the end of 2016. Plans are underway to ensure that the Universities continue to access these EBSCO, as well as other e-resources beyond the expiration of the current service.

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