**SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS (SOGP)**

The School of Government and Politics (SOGP) has the overarching objective of creating a critical mass of leaders to drive strategies, policies and programmes that will help Nigeria to maximise her potential as well as enhance her global competitiveness.

In response to the country’s seemingly intractable leadership crisis, SOGP exists to strengthen and expand leadership capacity as well as promote citizens engagement that results in an enlightened, empowered electorate.

The vision of the SOGP is to develop transformational leaders in the sphere of government and politics through structured professional development programmes and initiatives. It has become necessary to evolve a development and governance paradigm – undergirded by genuine servant-leadership in the executive, legislative and judicial arms of government – that is imbued with a sense of mission. Engaging the machinery of government to achieve the cardinal objective of forging the institutional and inter-sectoral linkages that facilitate the design and delivery of public policies that engender accelerated, inclusive and integrated economic development on a sustainable basis.

SOGP draws its inspiration from time-tested archetypes that heralded the emergence of modern progressive nations. It aims to prepare catalysts for social change and development that are patterned after key historical figures as exemplars of good leadership. Recognising Government as one of society’s pillars of influence, SOGP’s mandate includes engaging the tools of advocacy, monitoring, education and training for social, economic and national transformation.

SOGP, through its programmes and activities, seeks to prepare reform-spirited citizens, change agents and leaders and inculcate values of honesty, faithfulness, loyalty, patriotism, truthfulness, accountability, prudence and hard work in order to strengthen the moral fabric of society and boost ethical reorientation, good democratic and public governance in the nation.

SOGP will bridge on-going interventions by different institutions and platforms directed at enlightening, preparing, building capacities capabilities and understanding of public leadership as well as the citizenry.

The strategic direction for SOGP is provided by a Governing Council as well as The Thinkers Circle who are engaged in curating the programmes and initiatives of the institution.

**VISION**

Raising kingdom minded people to influence the government and political sphere of society.

**MISSION**

Design and deliver educational and professional development programmes in leadership, politics, public policy, public management, international relations and development for emerging and succeeding generations of African leaders in the public and private sector empowering them to engage in all domains of government of government and governance to deliver economic prosperity and unleash the creative capacities of the citizenry for a secure and sustainable future through global partnerships.