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<u>Editorial</u>

The dominating issue in running any organisation in 2020 is COVID-19. I am sure you are bored of hearing about it, thus in this address I am discussing other issues.

Arabic Language Division

In 2005 Dr Shaher Al-Sukour launched St Clements University in Iraq and we became the biggest distance learning education institution in Iraq. Over the past decade disputes developed between the Iraq Agents and the Central Administration and St Clements University was forced to defacto close up in Iraq. In 2018 Ms Fadia Hussein, who had been working as the Manager of the Duhok branch, was made Manager of St Clements University in the Kurdistan region of Iraq. She has worked hard restructuring St Clements University in the Kurdistan region and when Dr Subhey Al Khazali resigned as Manager at St Clements University in Central and Southern Iraq she was made General Manager for all Iraq. She has done an outstanding job of re-developing St Clements University in Iraq.

Turks and Caicos Islands Update

I had the privilege of representing St Clements University at a recruitment meeting of stake holders at the inaugural meeting to establish an Accreditation Board on the Turks and Caicos Islands. I am not sure what the need for an Accreditation Board was when it already had an Advisory Council for Tertiary Education Schools. Accreditation bodies started in the USA where one level of government were responsible for licensing schools (State) while another was responsible for financing schools (Federal). This accreditation is primarily about whom should get government funding.

Degree Apprenticeship Programs

In 2015 the UK Government brought in Degree Apprenticeships. This was based on people working in the general field they were getting qualifications in, getting paid for and getting some credits for what they were learning whilst working. St Clements would be very interested in talking to any employers about setting up a Degree Apprenticeship program with them. The pilot program could encompass just one or two candidates.

Send us Information about Fellow Graduates or Students

Please send in information you hear about fellow graduates or students. We are an organisation of people. It is important that 'Anchor' writes about what is happening with our people. The Editor Mr Adrian Williams is very reliant on articles sent in about our Alumni and Students to produce these articles. He can be contacted at admin@stclements.edu.



Dr David Le Cornu President - St Clements Education Group

<u>St Clements University - Somalia Dean and St Clements</u> <u>University Alumnus Appointed Executive President of the</u> <u>University of Southern Somalia</u>



Professor Dr. Mohamed A. Eno has recently been appointed the Executive President of the University of Southern Somalia (USS). Professor Eno completed his Doctor of Philosophy with St Clements University and wrote his dissertation researching the plight of the Bantu people of Somalia. His dissertation "The Homogeneity of the Somali People: A Study of the Somali Bantu Ethnic Community" has been recognised as a major contribution to the knowledge of this subject area. Prior to his recent appointment, he taught at various higher education institutions. researched vastly on topics across multiple disciplines and spoke at a number of international events.

Prof. Eno is a polyglot and a revered poet writing in both Somali and English Languages. He was the co-founder of St Clements University – Somalia in 2006 where he organised the Transitional Government of Somalia to recognise it and have that recognition endorsed by the Federal Government of Somalia.

The University of Southern Somalia was established in 2007 and offers campus based education to the people in the South West State of Somalia, which is one of five autonomous states in Somalia with a population of over 5¹/₂ million people. The USS is the leading tertiary education institution in the South West State and a dynamic learning center at the pinnacle of Somali higher education. It is situated in Baidoa, formerly the provisional Capital of the Transitional Government of Somalia when it was first formed.



Before he was appointed, Professor Dr. Mohamed A. Eno negotiated a remarkable agreement of academic collaboration between St Clements Education Group (St Clements University and SCPU) and the University of Southern Somalia for St Clements to have an administration centre in the University of Southern Somalia's main campus in Baidoa.

It is great that vibrant institutions like the USS recognise the superior talent and high quality leadership traits of St Clements University Alumni and Faculty members. The entire fraternity of the St Clements Education Group is proud of Prof. Eno and congratulates him for the appointment.

Recognition of Foreign Degrees in the U.S.

In most countries of the world the Ministry of Education or an agency the Ministry has established organises the recognition of foreign degrees. In the U.S. where accreditation of institution programs are carried out by private accreditation agencies the foreign degrees are evaluated by private credential evaluation services. The body which represents most professional credential evaluators is the American Evaluation Association. The key to getting your degree recognised in the U.S. is to have it evaluated by a reputable credential evaluation service. To strengthen the evaluation report of your degree it should be notarized and apostilled as this will give credibility to the report.

American Evaluation Association

The American Evaluation Association is the main professional body for evaluators. It sponsors two journals; "American Journal of Evaluation" and "New Directions of Evaluation" both quarterly publications. It has a number of topic focused subgroups which develop content for the Association's annual conferences. It develops policies to help members evaluate clients' qualifications. www.eval.org

<u>Getting Your Degree Evaluated in</u> <u>the U.S.</u>

There are many credential evaluation organisations in the U.S. The question is "Are the evaluators doing the evaluations a member of the American Evaluation Association?". The first step most evaluators do is check the UNESCO endorsed World Higher Education Database. No St Clements Education School is listed on this database. The problem in them trying to get the evaluator to look behind this lack of listing and at the work the student has completed to earn their degree. Thus you need to select an evaluator who will look at the work you have completed to earn your degree with rather than only the institution which granted the degree being listed on the World Higher Education Database.

St Clements Education Group works with two credential evaluation services California University Foreign Credential Evaluation Service and Christopher Campbell Credential Evaluation Service. With these two organisations the University can send your documentation electronically to them and give them access to the work you completed for your degree. This will maximise the evaluation report they can offer.

Christopher Campbell Credential Evaluation Service P. O. Box 752 Springboro, Ohio 45066

- **Basic Evaluation** \$US90 this is a soft copy of the evaluation report.
- **Ordinary Evaluation** \$US155 **plus** postage this is a hard copy of the evaluation report notarised and apostilled which is couriered or mailed to the graduate.
- **Premier package** \$US285 this is the same as the Ordinary Evaluation **plus** degree comparison documents outlining the evaluation process.
- Ordinary Endorsement Ordinary package \$US585 plus the particular Embassy processing fee and courier or mail charges for Iraq students this will be \$US835.
- **Embassy Endorsement Premier** \$US635 this is similar to the Ordinary Evaluation with back up documents explaining the evaluation.

Overall these fees are a little over half of the cost from other credential evaluation charges.

If you wish to take up this service please email admin@stclements.edu and St Clements University Administration will organise it for you.



St Clements University Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit

This event has been transferred to **Thursday 30th September** and **Friday the 1st October 2021**.

Please note this new date! It is proposed to hold the event in London.

The summit will be held over 2 days following the subject areas:

- The Direction of World Politics for the next 25 years (Two different speakers will present papers on this)
- Networking in the 21st Century
- Growth in Africa in the next 25 years
- How to Lobby the skills managers need
- Talk about the future of London as a City
- Future International Financial Challenges



This summit is co-sponsored by the Academy of Executives and Administrators. They will be launching their Life Senior, Fellow and Doctoral Fellow Awards at the event.

The price is USD\$3750. This is a limited Leadership Summit.

Please email the administration at admin@stclements.edu if you are interested in attending.

St Clements Alumnus Becomes a Fellow of the RSA

Sir Dr Christopher Oyat has recently become a Fellow of the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce. It was founded in 1754 by William Shipley and was granted a Royal Charter in 1847 and the right to use the term "Royal" in its name by King Edward VII in 1908. It is generally referred to as The Royal Society of Arts.

Notable past Fellows include Charles Dickens, Benjamin Franklin, Stephen Hawking, Karl Marx, Adam Smith, Nelson Mandela, David Attenborough and William Hogarth. The RSA awards three medals – the Albert Medal, the Benjamin Franklin Medal, and the Bicentenary Medal.

The current Patron is Elizabeth II and the President is The Princess Royal, the Chairman is Vikki Heywood and its Chief Executive is Matthew Taylor.

The Society was a pioneer in examinations, offering the first national public examinations in 1882 that led to the formation of the RSA Examinations Board now included in the Oxford, Cambridge and RSA Examinations Board.

Sir Dr Christopher Oyat is a St Clements University Doctor of Letters Graduate.

RSA House

Since 1774 the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce has been housed in John Adam Street, near the Strand in central London. At RSA House Fellow members can (in non-COVID-19 times) enjoy quality food. There are a number of rooms which can be hired for Weddings, Corporate Functions and Private Parties.





<u>William Wilberforce International</u> <u>Human Rights Law Centre Launches</u> <u>Graduate and Professional Programmes</u>

William Wilberforce International Human Rights Law Centre has launched a Master of Arts in Theology and Human Rights, Diplomate in International Human Rights Law and Wilberforce Fellow Professional Designation.

Master of Arts in Theology and Human Rights

This Master of Arts programme is designed to bridge the gap between the Pastoral Christian Ministry and the Practice of Human Rights and Civil Rights Advocacy, by introducing pastors, church leaders, church administrators, lawyers, human rights advocates, and other professionals to substantive law, practice, procedures, and critical issues that impact the field of human rights.

Diplomate in International Human Rights Law

This Professional Certification Programme includes all of the court human rights courses that are a part of the Master of Arts programme and may be completed in preparation for completing the MA in Theology and Human Rights.

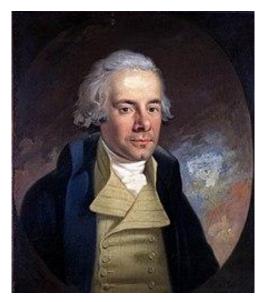
This programme is designed for professionals who already have at least one graduate-level degree in theology, divinity, law, social science, political science, or business management and who wish to incorporate civil rights and human rights advocacy into their areas of professional practice and focus.

Wilberforce Fellow Professional Designation

Candidates who qualify for either the MA in Theology and Human Rights or the Diplomate in Human Rights will automatically qualify for election as "Fellow" grade status in the William Wilberforce International Human Rights Law Centre. The William Wilberforce International Human Rights Law Centre is owned by St Clements University and St. Luke's Inn of Court and the Master of Arts in Theology and Human Rights Law will be issued by Ecole de Theologie SCPU.



Dr Roderick O. Ford Rector, St. Luke's Inn of Court



William Wilberforce

St Clements News

St Clements Iraq - Update

At the beginning of this year St Clements University's Iraq operations were divided into two Divisions. One Division covered the Iraq Kurdistan Region and neighbouring Governorates under the administration of Ms Fadia Hussein and the other comprising of Central and Southern Iraq under Dr Subhey Al Khazali. Dr Subhey Al Khazali resigned from St Clements University in February and Ms Fadia Hussein was appointed to take over the administration of St Clements University in Central and Southern Iraq. Unfortunately in April and May COVID-19 made carrying out administrative tasks in Iraq, very difficult.

Establishment of St Clements University Iraq Advisory Council

St Clements University has established an Advisory Council to advise the St Clements University Board on how best to work with Iraq Government officials on developing St Clements University in Iraq. The initial members are:

- Dr Hassan Raisan Khalaf a long time supporter of St Clements in Iraq
- Dr Mohammed Abdul Sattar Al Shammari one of our Office Centre Managers in Iraq
- Dr Jassim M. Khuraibet he has worked as Director of the Baghdad office for over 14 years

Ms Fadia Hussein is now the General Manager of St Clements University in Iraq and Executive Administrator of the Advisory Council.

Niue Update

On May 30th, 2020 Niue held its elections – Hon Kupa Magatogia, the Chief Executive of St Clements University Higher Education School is no longer a member of the Legislative Assembly – He was the longest serving member from Lakepa having represented the electorate for 5 terms of 3 years and the Premier Sir Toke Talagi lost his seat at the election. He had been Premier for 12 years. The new Premier is Mr Dalton Tagelagi. We are currently having technical problems with our St Clements University Higher Education School website. The situation is complicated as the government owns the .edu.nu domain name we use.

St Clements Education Group Signs Teaching and Research Collaboration Agreement with the University of Southern Somalia

St Clements Education Group has signed a Teaching and Research Agreement with the University of Southern Somalia. Under the Agreement St Clements will be able to develop an Academic Centre in the University of Southern Somalia's main Campus and the branch Campus it has in other parts of Southern Somalia. The University of Southern Somalia is the main University in Southern Somalia state, a semi autonomous state of the Federal Republic of Somalia.

École Superieure Universitaire St Clements & Commonwealth

Due to COVID-19 the campus has had to close and the building of the new campus has been delayed. Travel restrictions between Benin and Nigeria are also in place making attending the campus very difficult even if it could open.

Ecole de Ingenieurs SCPU Turkish Division

Ecole de Ingenieurs SCPU has opened a division in Turkey to promote Engineering programs in that country. The courses will be assessed in English Language although some of the tutoring will be in Turkish to help the students. Professor Dr Erdal Firat is the Dean of the Turkish division of the Ecole de Ingenieurs SCPU.

SCPU Website

Previously there were three websites for this school and it has since evolved into three schools. There is now one main web address www.scusuisse.ch. The three schools Ecole de Commerce SCPU, Ecole de Ingenieurs SCPU, Ecole de Theologie SCPU having their sub-websites in Business, Engineering and Theology.

Please visit the website and check the current structure.

Other Universities News

International British Universities

While there are a number of "American" universities in various countries, some quite old like the American University in Paris, American University in Cairo, there are now evolving a number of international British universities.

British University of Vietnam: It offers a range of degree programs issued by the University of London. They are mainly in the Business Management and IT field. They also issue degree on their own title.

British University of Yangon: This institution concentrates on students studying the first two years of their degree in Yangon and the final year in the UK. They have partnership arrangements with 16 UK universities. The programs they offer are from MCUK (North Consortium United Kingdom – it appears to be a consortium of Northern England universities rather than OFQUAL approved).

British University in Egypt: This University was established in September 2005. It degrees are validated by its partner UK Universities and the Egyptian Supreme Council of Universities. It has three Faculties (Dentistry, Nursing and Pharmacy) in Health disciplines. The campus covers 40 acres.

British University in Dubai: This University was established in 2003. It was licensed by the UAE Ministry of Education and accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation.

Saint Mary's University - Canada

Recently a St Clements University Iraq graduate with a Bachelor of English Translation wanted a reference to study a Masters degree with Saint Mary's University - Canada. When the website was viewed it indicated that Saint Mary's only offered Bachelor degrees and after it informed the graduate about this, he sent them information on an "International Master of Teaching English as a Second Language". The coursework looks similar to our St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue Master of Arts in TESOL. What surprised the administration was this program is not available for Canadian residents or citizens. Previously the Administration has seen Masters Degrees designed for non-citizens e.g. Master of Law for people with an overseas Law degree wanting to be recognised as a Solicitor in English, Chinese Engineers and Accountants wanting to register as Engineers and Accountants in Australia, but never prohibiting local students from enrolling into the program.

Apollo Global Management US and UK Universities

The University of Phoenix was founded in 1976 by John Sperling and John Murphy with a class of eight students. In 1999 it had over 100,000 students and 2010 it had 470,000 students, making it the largest university in the USA. At its peak it operated 500 campus and learning sites in the USA. It now has 120,000 students, most studying online. It has 231 full time faculty and 7211 part time faculty.

BPP University was originally a degree coaching college which was famous for coaching Law students through specialised Law programs, the Central University of English issued the degree for. It has campus centres in Abingdon, Birmingham, Bristol, Cambridge, Leeds, Liverpool, London and Manchester. While it was started in 1992, it was granted it own degree granting powers as BPP University College of Professional Studies. It became the first commercial degree granting body in the UK. In 2015 it was able to drop College of Professional Studies from its name to become BPP University.

Both the University of Phoenix and BPP University are owned by Apollo Global Management, a USA listed corporation.

Fiji Universities

There are three (3) Universities based in Fiji:

University of South Pacific: Thus multinational university was established in 1968 when Fiji and most Pacific nations were colonies or protectorates. It was owned by Australia, New Zealand and The United Kingdom to service the people living in various Pacific states considered in 1968, to have their own Universities.

University of Fiji: This University was established in 2004 under the academic leadership of the Fiji Institute of Applied Studies and the financial sponsorship of Arya Pratinidhi Sabha of Fiji, a Hindu religious organisation.

Fiji National University: This University was started in 2010 and was created by the 2009 Fiji National University Act. It amalgamated with the Fiji School of Medicine, Fiji School of Nursing, Fiji College of Advanced Education, Fiji College of Agriculture and the Lautoka Teachers College. It has 27,000 students making it Fiji's largest University.

Professional Organisations News

European Institute of Financial Directors

The European Institute of Financial Directors is a body registered in the Republic of Latvia which is a European Union State. It is designed to represent those who direct organisations finances. It has developed a range of membership grades, Technician, Associate, Fellow, Doctoral Fellow recognising members' professional qualifications and education. It also offers a range of courses including a Professional Diploma and Post Graduate Diploma which are accredited by the Ministry of Education in Latvia. Ecole de Commerce SCPU offers a Doctor of Business in Financial Management which incorporates Life Doctor Fellow membership of the European Institute of Financial Directors.

Institution of International Professional Engineers

The international members of the United Kingdom Society of Professional Engineers, who felt disenfranchised when it amalgamated with the Institution of Engineering and Technology, formed the Society of Professional Engineers International. This body has restructured itself into an Institution and become the Institution of International Professional Engineers.

Chartered Institute of Labour & Human Resource Managers

It is a professional association dedicated to bridging the gap between organised labor & core Human Resource Management functions within the organisation. It offers membership to professionals and practitioners within the Human Resources Management system including labor/union officials, labour lawyers and human resource managers. The Chartered Institute of Labor & Human Resource Managers offers industry rated courses and certifications to its members. St Clements University graduates are encouraged to apply for membership.

Association of Certified Accountants of Barbados

The President of the ACAB is Prof. Dr Sir Tyrone Watkins and the Deputy President is Mr St. Clair Sandiford. It has three grades; Fellow, Associate and Licentiate. St Clements University Accounting degree program graduates are invited to join the ACAB.

The Chartered Institute of Professional Financial Managers USA

The Institute is designed to promote professional bodies registered in the USA and to service Professional Financial Managers. A number of members occupy senior positions in national and multi-national corporations. Whilst it is incorporated in the USA their members are spread throughout the World. St Clements University graduates are encouraged to apply for membership.

The Chartered Institute of Sales and Marketing

The Chartered Institute of Sales and Marketing (CISAM) is the worldwide representative body for Sales and Marketing Professionals registered in the USA. It offers a range of Professional Certification designed to test the knowledge skills and abilities required to perform a particular job. They offer a Certified Professional Sales Manager program. The Institute has three levels of membership grades; Associate, Fellow and Doctoral Fellow. Their membership is based on Lifetime membership.

Faculty of Technology, Management and Applied Sciences

This multi-discipline professional body is registered in Manchester in the United Kingdom. It offers membership and certification world-wide to individual members. Patron and institutional membership is also available to organisations and businesses. The Faculty operates on a national and international basis. The most important subdivisions are Membership division further divided into Technological and Managerial Chapters. **Certification** division is divided into three groups Scientific Technological, Engineering and Managerial Administrative. St Clements University graduates are encouraged to join the ranks of the Faculty.

The Society of British Business

This body was registered in July 1980 as the Society of Sales and Marketing by Prof. Dr Herbert Blankson. Professor Blankson ran the Society for twenty eight years before handing control over to a new executive who was going to make the body a multi-professional body. Currently it appears to be registered at a Cardiff postcode housing 8699 other corporate bodies. There are no signs of any website or other activities of the Society. It was the second UK professional body St Clements built a relationship with. It is sad to see it in effect closing.



APOLLOS UNIVERSITY

This DEAC accredited US university offers the following online Certificate programs:

- Certificate in Global Leadership
- Certificate in Supply Chain Management
- Certificate in Marketing
- Certificate in Financial Management
- Certificate in Business Management
- Certificate in IT Security
- Certificate in Web and Mobile Development
- Certificate in E-Commerce Development
- Certificate in Database Design & Administration

Cost of each Certificate program is US\$2525.

They offer graduates 12 credit hours towards an approved Apollos University Bachelor degree.

For more information visit www.apollos.edu or contact info@apollos.edu.

St Clements Alumnus Now King of the Bachama



Dr Daniel Shaga Ismaila

Following the sudden demise of Humon Honest Stephen Irmiya, Kwire Mana, Kpafrato 2, Gbulum Bomo, on Saturday, 27th June, 2020 the process to select a new King for the Bachama people began.

The successful candidate for the position was Dr Daniel Shaga Ismaila born on the 23rd of February, 1954. Both his father, Baba Shaga Ismaila, and his mother are of the Bwatiye ethnic nationality.

A prince of the Nokodomun Clan, his father hailed from Lamurde town (the spiritual home and traditional headquarters of the Bachama people), headquarters of Lamurde Local Government Area of Adamawa State, thus making Daniel Shaga Ismaila a full-blooded prince, with every right to the historic and exalted throne of the Bachama Kingdom.

After primary and secondary education, Dr Ismaila secured admission into the prestigious University of Maiduguri, where he graduated in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Accounting. Ten years later, in 1992, he obtained a Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from the University of Jos. In 1996 he became a Member (CNA), Association of National Accountants of Nigeria, ANNAN.

In the year 2000, he became a Member, Nigerian Institute of Management, MNIM and an Associate Member, Institute of Personnel Management of Nigeria, AIPMN, in 2002. He became a Fellow, Certified National Accountant (FCNA), ANNA, in 2008 and an Associate, Chartered Institute of Taxation of Nigeria, ACTI, in 2010. In 2012, he obtained a Practising Certificate in Accounting and Audit as a Certified National Accountant. A year earlier, 2011, he had obtained a Certificate in Theology and Leadership (RCCG-RCBC), RILA. In 2015, he became a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Taxation, FCTI.

Dr Daniel Shaga Ismaila began work, after his University education, as an Accountant/Senior Accountant at Nigeria Asbestos Industries Limited, NAIL, Bauchi, from August 1983 – June, 1985. He then moved to the Jos Steel Rolling Company, JSRC, Limited (a parastatal of the Federal Ministry of Mines, Power and Steel), from 1985 – 1993, starting out as a Principal Accountant then rising to an Assistant Manager (Internal Audit) and later becoming Assistant Manager (Finance).

Later he joined the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency. He became Chairperson and Chief Executive of the NDLEA and after his statutory retirement in 2014, he went into private practice as a Professional Accounting, Tax and Management Consultant. He also devoted his time, energy and resources to evangelism, community service and humanitarian work.

In 2005 Dr Daniel Shaga Ismaila was awarded a Doctor of Letters degree from St Clements University. The Doctorate was awarded in recognition for his work in Drug Law Administration in Nigeria. Evidence of this contribution was his publications; "NDLEA: Universal Banking and the Challenges of the Money Laundering Act 2004", "NDLEA: Assistant Superintendents of Narcotics Course 11/2005 and Narcotic Agents Course 13/2005", "NDLEA: Organization and Role" "NDLEA: and Administrative Information Management".

In 2006 he received the Merit Award of Valour of the International Narcotics Enforcement Officers Association (INEOA). (This award was bestowed on Dr Ismaila for successfully coordinating the international operation that led to the seizure of 14.2 tonnes of cocaine at the Tin Can Island Port in June of the year 2006. That seizure is on record as the highest ever in Africa.)

Dr Daniel Shaga Ismaila believes in hard word, probity, accountability, excellence and commitment. He has exemplified these important qualities throughout his life, bringing uncommon zeal and infectious enthusiasm to all his assignments. No wonder then that he has garnered innumerable awards, honours and recognitions (academic and non-academic), both locally and internationally.