

Operational Activity Type	Activities	Resources Needed	TFs	Time Frame	Priority
<p>Advisory & Mobilization (GOAL: Influence policy, increase awareness of policy makers and encourage professional networking)</p> <p>LEAD TASK FORCES: TELCO & NETWORKS and CONSULTING & MANAGEMENT</p>	Frequent presentations to government agencies (i.e. NCC; NITDA; the Senate)	Top-level contacts in Nigeria, possibly at the policy-making level	TN	Ongoing. 1 st by March 02	A1
	Advertising and marketing of NITPA members and expertise generally available among US-based Nigerian IT experts	Develop NITPA Web site	CM	Ongoing. Start July 02	A1
	Mobilization of grants/Foreign Direct Investments (FDIs) in Hardware/Software development in Nigeria. Encourage Nigerian government to set up financing institutions for SMEs in IT development.	Grant-writing expertise Contacts with investors/international agencies Partner institutions in Nigeria and USA	NT CM	Ongoing. 12/02 to secure a grant/FDI agreement	B1
	Consultancy services to government agencies: to carry out, to coordinate and evaluate IT implementation projects vis-à-vis IT policy and development goals of Nigeria	NITPA members/consultants Nigerian-owned IT firms	CM AP	Ongoing	
	Create and publish database/directory of (1) Nigerian-owned IT businesses in the Americas (2) Nigerian IT professionals in the Americas	Database developers Funds	DE AP	July 2002	
	Influence policy on power-generation in Nigeria	Top-level contacts in Nigeria, possibly at the policy-making level	TN	Mar 2002	A1
<p>Knowledge Building and Dissemination (GOAL: Provide the base for technical know-how and stimulate dissemination of new knowledge)</p> <p>LEAD TASK FORCE: EDUCATION & RESEARCH</p>	Collaborative research with IS/IT academics in Nigeria in areas such as: (i) Assessing IT/IS skills/knowledge requirements/needs in Nigeria (ii) Global digital divide: building bridges across the divide (iii) Brain Drain Brain Gain issues	Interested faculty/researchers in Nigeria and in America Research grants Top-level contacts in Nigeria for easy access to data collection	ER	Summer 2002	A1
	Actively engage in teaching/training ICT skills in Nigeria. Summer exchange; teach a block of classes at specific periods. Develop multi-media CBTs CDs; publish books and case studies of IT use in Nigeria.	Funding/grants Partner institutions in Nigeria Interested faculty/trainers	ER DE AP	Summer 2003	A1
	Organize conferences/seminars/workshops	Funding/grants Collaborating associations	ER	Ongoing 1 st summer 02	
	Build databases, information repository of: (i) research studies and IT-related projects (ii) relevant publications and bibliographies (iii) Award-granting institutions	Interested faculty/trainers Funding/grants	ER DE	Fall 2002	A2
	Active involvement with NOU and other technology-based distance learning projects	Interested faculty/trainers	ER		A1
	Enhance IT/IS curriculum, certification and external diploma programs. Nigerian IT 'Driver's licence'	Collaborating institutions in Nigeria and the U.S. Internet-based teaching/assessment tools	ER	Ongoing	A1

	Provide training to government employees at the local, state and federal level		ER DE AP	Summer 03	B1
Knowledge Building and Dissemination (Contd.)	Set up a 'RUC' (Raised Up with Computers) project with emphasis on primary and secondary education	Computing equipment NITPA members to teach the trainers	ER	Summer 03	A3
	CSCL – Set up IT/IS tele-apprenticeships to link Nigerian students with IT/IS experts in the U.S. through CSCL tools	Network/Telco experts	ER TN DE	Summer 03	
Competence & Capability Development <i>(GOAL: To contribute to the development of IT infrastructure and ICT skills)</i> LEAD TASK FORCE: DEVELOPMENT	Hardware development (building/assembling PC's and peripherals, etc in Nigeria). Software Development in Nigeria using indigenous human resources	College (high school) and university students, general public Grants from local and international agencies	DE AP	Summer 03	
	Set up centers of excellence for hard/software development and IT training in Nigeria	NITPA members to undertake training Grants/awards Collaborating institutions in Nigeria	DE ER	Summer 03	
	Set up Internet cafes in Nigeria to encourage diffusion and use	Grants/awards PCs, peripherals other equipment	DE TN	Summer 03	
	Develop e-Commerce infrastructure and Portals (gateways)	Web developers; e-commerce experts	DE	Summer 03	
Provision of Resources & Solutions <i>(GOAL: Engage in activities designed to produce specific innovative outcomes)</i> LEAD TASK FORCE: APPLICATIONS	Provide resources (books & IT equipment) for institutions in Nigeria	Logistical support (means of collection and distribution)	ER CM	Ongoing. 1 st by Dec. 02	
	Application of IT to provide solutions in a wide range of fields or business sectors (i.e. agriculture, legal, health, housing etc)	Experts in various professional fields IT applications experts	AP CM	Ongoing. 1 st by Spring 03	
	Systems (requirements) analysis for public/private institutions; Develop software solutions	Systems Analysts; Database Developers; Software Engineers	AP DE	Ongoing. 1 st by Spring 03	
	Provide support/source for start-up finance for SMEs in software development		DE CM		
	Provide consultancy to private and public institutions;	NITPA consultants Nigerian-owned IT businesses in the U.S.	CM	Ongoing. 1 st by Dec. 02	
	Use NITPA Website to provide access to online journals and research databases	NITPA Website/ Web manager IS faculty/trainers	ER DE	Ongoing. 1 st by Dec. 02	