

The Impact of the Nigerian Construction Industry Professionals Towards the Attainment of United Nation Sustainable Development Goals 2030

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SUMMARY

Purpose

This paper is written to assess the level of contribution of the Nigerian Construction industry professionals to the attainment of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), create awareness of the SDGs and emphasize the need for professionals to make meaningful contributions toward the attainment of the goals. The paper will provide information on the Nigerian Construction Industry contribution to the attainment of the UN SDGs.

Design/methodology/Approach

Literatures, research papers published on the key subject will be reviewed, analyzed and survey questionnaire will be utilized to receive feedback from construction professionals. This study will adopt qualitative methodology. Questionnaire will be disseminated to minimum of two hundred professionals across all bodies in the industry.

Findings/Results

The UN Sustainable Development Goals represents the aspiration of the people of the United Nations for a more sustainable future. The goals address the global problems we face together, including those related to poverty, inequality, climate, environmental degradation, prosperity, peace, and justice. The Goals are deeply interconnected and has targets/indicators which are being used to measure the progress. The United nations has made progress despite setbacks occasioned by natural and man-made disaster. The world must move significantly towards achieving each goal by 2030 and the construction industry professionals unknowing plays significant roles towards the

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attainment of goals. The various professionals' bodies within the Nigerian Construction industry has organized series of workshop and seminars in the early stage of the introduction of the agenda but has not been able to sustain the awareness creation and measure the level of impacts or contribution toward the attainment of the 2030 agenda. This paper assesses the potential role of Nigerian construction industry professionals in the 2030 agenda and identifies key goals that depends directly or indirectly on construction activities. Also, it contributes to the literature on the implementation of the 2030 agenda and elaborate on the possibilities, partnerships required, towards the attainment of the United Nations agenda.

Implications/Value

The lack of sustainable collaboration amongst the Nigerian Construction Industry professional network in relation to the level of awareness of collective contributions or roles towards the attainment of the sustainable development goals is a serious concern that require attention. There is less research on the assessment of the contribution of the Nigerian Construction industry professionals' network towards the attainment of the goals in Nigeria, however, the value of the research will be tremendous and recommendation for improvement will be available to all.

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