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**Contributing to National Development**

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## **BACKGROUND TO CANUK**

- ***CANUK is an umbrella body of all Nigerian Associations in the United Kingdom.***
- ***It currently represents about 90 different associations and 25 other affiliate/associate members.***
- ***CANUK has a combined membership of over 60,000 and aims to embrace all the unions representing the entire estimated 2 million plus Nigerians resident in the United Kingdom.***
- ***The need to restore a 'pride in being a Nigerian' no matter how removed***



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## Membership

### UK based Nigerian:

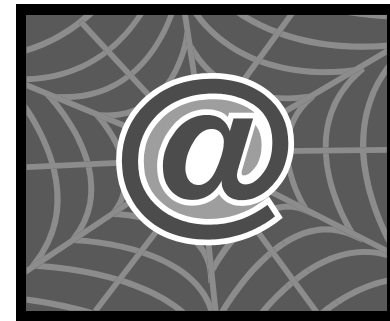
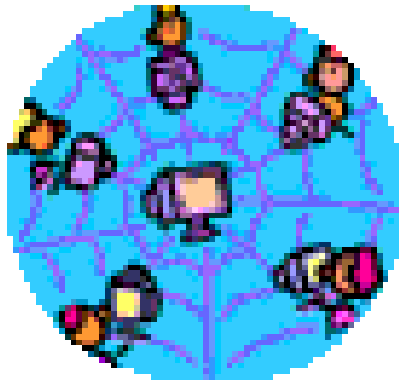
- Professional Organisations
- Cultural Organisations
- Sporting Organisations
- Student Organisations
- State-based welfare Organisations
- Welfare Organisations based in the regions of the United Kingdom.
- Social Organisations sharing the same aims and objectives as CANUK
- Associate members – Org. with Nigeria at their core



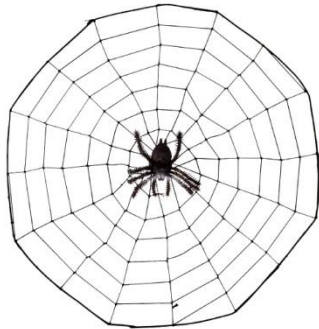
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## **UK/Nigeria Professional Organisations**

- Medical Association of Nigerian Specialists and General Practitioners (MANSAG)
- ICAN (Accountants), UK
- Association of Nigeria Information Technology Professionals
- Engineering Forum of Nigeria
- Britain-Nigeria Law Forum
- Nigeria Nurses Charitable Association
- Nigeria in Diaspora Organisation, Europe (NIDOE)
- Nigerian Institute of Management (UK Chapter)



# NETWORKING



# Skills you have

Your course of study/your qualification

# Those you need

Passion; Calculated Risk taking;  
Flexibility; Networking; Vision; Humility;  
Grace; Pragmatism;

Do you know what you want?

*You can get it if you really want but you  
must try...*



# Contributing to National Development

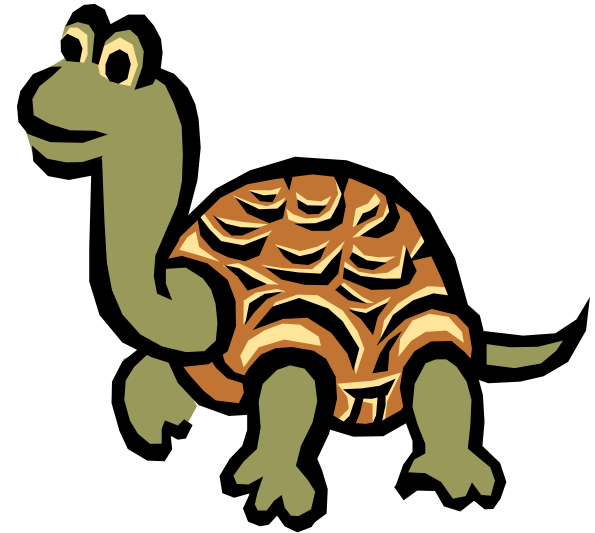
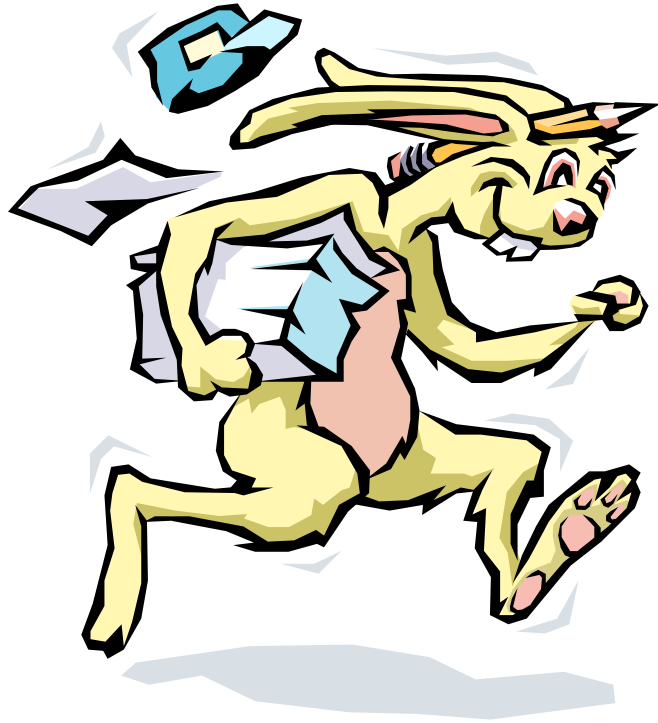


## Employee or Entrepreneur



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# Old Stories New Lessons



# Resources and Help

Put Your CV Out

[www.nv2020.org](http://www.nv2020.org)

[www.africarecruit.com](http://www.africarecruit.com)

[www.businessinafrica.com](http://www.businessinafrica.com)

Do it for free

[www.vso.org.uk](http://www.vso.org.uk)

[www.difd.gov.uk](http://www.difd.gov.uk)

Join Professional Groups

[www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com)

[www.bnlf.org.uk](http://www.bnlf.org.uk)

[www.mansag.org](http://www.mansag.org)

[www.firs.gov/ng](http://www.firs.gov/ng)



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