

## OLATOYE OMOTOLANI JOY

Hello, I am Olatoye Omotolani Joy, a serving Corp member with Government Secondary School. I was part of the three days' workshop organised by Harobed & Associates and sponsored by Sinoni Restaurant, The Daily Times etc. between 23rd and 25th of February 2017. I take away with me from this workshop, a great knowledge of the employers' mind-set. Now I know I am not unemployed or underemployed, I am in career transition.

The spokesperson Deborah Abebe is a young, vibrant lady who show genuine interest in the professional life's of young graduates like me. I genuinely recommend this programme for both young and old who are passing through the jobless phase as we formerly know it or transitioning as we were made to understand. Thanks

## OKORE OLUCHI

I think the three days' workshop, has been of great immense value to me. By exposing some basic rudiments which I was not conversant with, when embarking or enrolling for an interview. However, Harobed and Associates has proven itself more significant from other workshops which I enrolled in, because they teach in a conducive and tranquil environment, they are transparent and totally unbiased in teaching. I greatly, appreciate the time and valuable information, it is the most informative and interesting workshop so far. Also, am also indebted to Miss Deborah Abebe, for her efforts during the course of the lecture, she was committed, audible, and fair in judgement thereby carrying everyone along. I also want to recommend her for her punctuality. She's not aggressive, she's not hostile, rather a renowned "teacher" who leaves no stone unturned, rather creating a positive impact on her students.

Finally, I also want to appreciate Sinoni, for their kind gesture and hospitality for providing us with a suitable hall, and a wonderful conducive environment for appropriate learning. I also thank them for the meal and other provisions. With all these impacting, and exciting moment with Harobed and Associates, will have to disseminate the news to all my friends, especially my fellow corp members here in FCT. Thanks for your efforts

## ADAEZE PRECIOUS NNAETO

The course covered a lot of information, delivered in concise chunks that were easy to absorb. The structure was clear, logical and effective. Harobed & Associates obviously put a lot of thought and expertise into designing it. But it wasn't just about the new knowledge. The main benefits came from the interaction session between the participants and the speaker DEBORAH ABEBE the C.E.O of Harobed & Associates.

This workshop gave me the confidence to implement myself as a graduate in career transition and not as an unemployed youth, and also in writing a good and clear Resume, in contrast to my past failed attempt in writing a resume. She has a calm and logical method of teaching that truly connected me in writing a clear and articulate resume.

## ABIGAIL ANULIKA OKONKWO

Peace registered me for this program and I really appreciate her for that. Harobed & Associates has really made a positive impact in my career life.

Before now, I did not know what a résumé was, what I knew was a CV and I thought the purpose of a CV was to get me a job. I now know the 50-20-5-1 Sales Formula to success which has taught me to be persistent. I can now send opportunity letter to a company even when they don't have vacancy. Thank you very much Harobed & Associates. I am happy for all the contacts I made here and I can now network everywhere I go.

## ADEDOLAPO ADEKEYE

All thanks to "HAROBED & ASSOCIATES", Miss Deborah Abebe and all the sponsors. This seminar exceeded my expectations. I not only learned the basic principles but how to apply them when "JOB HUNTING" and to make an immediate impact I would enthusiastically recommend this workshop to anyone who wants to get a "Yes". It left me inspired feeling much more influential with many actionable takeaway I can apply immediately. Great workshop! Very well done and very useful information delivered in an excellent manner by Miss Deborah Abebe CEO & President of HAROBED & ASSOCIATES. Anyone and everyone can benefit from the professional Employability Transition. The information and acquired skills learned in the workshop will greatly help in my achieving my goals both in my professional and personal life.

## EJEH CHIDERA

This 3-day Professional Employability Transition training by Harobed & Associates has imparted positively upon my life and my knowledge base in so many ways, but I would like to list a few of them which have been most important and most relevant to me.

Firstly, it has opened my mind to the job industry by teaching me how to be prepared for any job interview at any point in time. This could have been gotten anywhere else, even online, but Harobed & Associates created simplicity which made it very comprehensive and accessible in the sense that any questions I might have had or have were extensively answered by a Professional. This, cannot or may not be gotten easily anywhere else, and for free.

Secondly, it has taught me interpersonal relations, how to relate with employers, colleagues, with people below me, and potential employers, how to network with people and creating personal presence, dos and don'ts of how to compose myself and how to be persistent in getting what I want.

Lastly, it has taught me to build self-confidence, to build self-respect, to believe in myself, to look at life positively no matter the situation and never to describe myself as unemployed but as someone in career transition. This has exuded so much professionalism and positivity from me these past few days and I am grateful to Harobed & Associates for deciding to invite us to their training.

## ODU TINA

The Professional Employability Transition Workshop is tailored to help in understanding the job market so as to curb unemployment. I was privileged enough to attend the 3 day training free for youth corpsers. Before I attended the class I knew a few tips on taking an interview, writing a resume and applying for jobs. Now I have clarity on the dos and don'ts in seeking a job. Finding a job is a job especially in Nigeria. At the workshop I learnt that certain goals and personal inventories need to set in finding the right job. Ardent desire should be the driving force and not just availability of a position when looking for a job. Perseverance is key because there may be a more suitable candidate for the job which can lead to rejection, but in every 5 maybes, there will be one yes. The influence of social media in our world cannot be overemphasised. Professional sites like LinkedIn serves as a recruitment platform. Networking is also a great tool in meeting potential employers.

My gratitude goes to the team at Harobed and Associates as I am now career transition certified.



## FALONI TOLULOPE JUSTINA

My name is Faloni Tolulope Justina, a Public Health Graduate serving in Abuja. I participated in Harobed and Associates Professional Employability Transition Workshop. The program was awesome and inspiring. I learnt a lot. How to stand out among my Colleagues in a job interview through proper ways of written résumés, Develop my skills and accomplishment, how to dress, networking, Answer & Ask questions etc. I also learnt that I am not unemployed but a career transition.

Thanks so much Harobed & Associates, God bless you and your sponsors.



## ISIKHUEMEN .E. LAWRENTA

My name is ISIKHUEMEN .E. LAWRENTA, I am a proud H&A Fabulous! The training I have received these two days have opened my mind to a wider knowledge toward preparing for my next job. As a Nigeria graduate I have not been privilege to get such a detailed training which exposes me to pursuing my chosen career, even when such seminars are held they were never useful as these I have received this few days. With this training I can boldly say I can now prepare a good résumé, cover letter as well as Application letter or any type of letter suiting my required career pursuit. I believe this is a welcome development and I advise for it to continue, because it will give other young graduates like me the opportunity to benefit toward getting their desired Jobs as well as putting the basic thing in place towards achieving their goal. I would like to say a very big thank you to Harobed and Associates for the opportunity.

## TASIE PEACE

H&A PET Project was a good career transition course worth attending. The course was rich in knowledgeable, fun and it has been an enjoyable learning experience for me. H&A project gave me the tools on evaluating and improving my job search techniques, interviewing and negotiating and above all on career transition. H&A project was absolutely an interesting course and I hope to use this my career transition. Above all, the course was brilliantly led by a fantastic tutor and it ran along seamlessly. This course has actually broaden my knowledge on job search tips and preparation of résumés and also on my career transition and it made it much better.

I must say, that this project is commendable. Thanks.

## OYEDOKUN OLUWATOSIN BLESSING

It is a great privilege to be a part of this programme and I must say that Harobed and Associates have done the right thing by organising this career transition event so as to enlighten the youth out there seeking for job opportunities, and to prepare their minds towards the challenges they may likely encounter in the course of this. I have learnt a lot, and one of those things is to be able to analyse my goals when searching for a job. I.e. listing out the things I want or expecting the job I am applying for. Also, an attitude to work matters a lot, and it goes a long way. The kind of skills we are expected to have, or the ones we possess matters. We were made to know that discovering your skill can help one to sell himself/herself better during an interview.

Furthermore, in the course of the training, we were taught how to write a good resume i.e. the type of resume we have, and knowing the one that suits your level. In writing a good resume, you need to include your name, address, key competencies, educational background and of course your achievements/working experience so far. Moreover, I learnt that when going for a job search, for every 50 Nos you get, you will see 20 that will be interested, and from those 20, you will get 5 maybes and one offer. This is trying to tell us that we shouldn't give up in our job search. As a graduate in career transition, we need to have patience, perseverance and resilience.

In conclusion, networking is a good tool in job search. It fosters communication, and can help to link one to his/her employer. I also want to implore Harobed and Associates to try to organise/conduct this training nationwide since it is of great benefit to the youths out there as well as the unemployed. Thanks.

## MUSTAPHA TOLANI AKINBIYI

Wawoo!!

Ms Abebe was great, I really not only benefitted greatly from her wealth of knowledge and experience. But also enjoyed her dynamic methods of presentation.....Am so glad I took the time to attend this wonderful session, it was worth it. Not to mention, the food was great and the participants were wonderful.

I highly recommend this programme to everyone currently in "career transition".

Thank you.

## UDIMBA TOM

I write to testify the good work Harobed & Associates are doing to make Nigerian graduates employable. Thanks for making me a Professional in Career Transition. I must say any government parastatal or individual organisation that support Harobed & Associates to achieve their goals of teaching, coaching Nigerian graduates to utilise the effective job search methods will have no regret.

Yours faithfully

Udimba Tom

## JOYCELYN ATTAH

My sincere appreciation goes to the management of Harobed and Associates for giving me and my fellow Corp Members this amazing opportunity of career transition. It was a great experience because it cut across all the aspect of job search for both experienced and unexperienced job seekers.

# SHADRACH JOHN

H&A is a workshop that help me be employed in my next job, making me to know that I am a professional in career transition and salesperson. H&A made me to know things I must say, do, prepare and things I must be to achieve success. I have learn on how to define my career goals and taking my personal Inventory and as well taking my action plan.

H&A gives me more light to think outside the box and be creative, help me utilise Job Search method that works must especially the "LinkedIn" etc.

H&A has helped me to develop or thought me on how to develop a winning and keyword résumé and more focus on my accomplishment. I have learn on how to stay focus on my career success not the economy and to develop a can do, will do attitude, say "hello" to everyone and be friendly which is part of networking, knowing different type of résumé and which to use at this level, knowing effective interviewing strategies and how to go about it. Indeed H&A has really impacted my life tremendously and I think am fully ready to go face the world for a "fabulous" new job.

I AM H&A FABULOUS!!!



## RAKIYA JAFARU

CAREER TRANSITION PROFESSIONAL (H&A CERTIFIED)

H&A FABULOUS!

Every graduate, Corp member and anyone in career transition should take advantage of the H&A Employability Transition Workshop. It spreads across individual growth (through networks & Networking) to personal and occupational fulfilments/accomplishments which most people only crave to attain. I am more equipped to face the Labour market and achieve my goals.

Kudos!! Deborah and thanks...

## OKO JAMES

The Harobed and Associates workshop is all about helping young graduates become employed. While in the training, we are taught not to think of ourselves as unemployed, but professional salesperson taking your product "YOU" to market. In all, be alert all the time.

## NASSAR RUFai MUSA

I am honoured and satisfied to be a participant and also believe am not unemployed but a career transitioner and especially the fact I am a problem and same time a solution, by seeing the hidden world and method's behind job seeking and important's of networking. 2 days back I saw the world like a movie but today I see myself playing a role and marking my story, cause learnt to think outside the box of job seeking. By setting my career goals understanding the power of building relationships also seeing a part of a new word of social networking. LinkedIn I just knew, which gives more opportunities. I am glad to be a satisfied career transitioner and a participant of this workshop.

## OFONIME SUNDAY AKPAN

The HAROBED & ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYABILITY TRANSITION (H&A-PET) is all about helping people to become employed in the next right job and also to become a certified career transition. The training help me to know how to go for the job search campaign i.e. how to get job may be through website and also to search job method. It makes me to know what is keywords and when to use it, how to create Accomplishment statement. The training makes me to know how to write a reference request letter, which I did not have any idea about it, Personal Introduction i.e. how we can introduce our self, job search tips which I did not also have idea about it, how can people help you i.e. the training makes me know how people can help me which is through hiring people etc. the training makes me known how I can write different types of letter and their function and when to use them. Lastly, how we can go about interview, part of the Application form etc.

I am very glad that I attended the workshop training with Harobed & Associates Professional employability transition (H&A-PET)

## OSIEFA RUKAYAT .T

Firstly, I appreciate God Almighty for this great opportunity. Words is not enough to express my gratitude appreciation to the President, CEO of HAROBED & ASSOCIATES, in person of Madam Deborah Abebe for the knowledge she has impacted into my life for the past 3 days training. I came, I saw and proud for say 'I AM A CAREER TRANSITION' and not an underemployment or unemployment.

She has fully makes me to understand how to prepare myself for the labour market and be successful in life through the following ways:

- To set goal and Prepare Personal Inventories
- Write a perfect Resumé
- How to build a network
- How to prepare for a successful Interview
- How to build Confident in yourself and lot more.

Am so glad and happy am able to attend the training successfully. Once again, a very big thanks to all the Sponsorship that support the training in one way or the other for a success one.

One Love

## OJI ERNEST

Am Oji Ernest by name, a young graduate from the University of Jos majoring in Geography, who is currently undergoing the National Youth Service Programme. In the course of the Programme, I kept asking myself "what will the outside world be like in terms of getting a job? Knowing that, there are lots of graduate out there, who are seeking for employment". The training organised by Harobed & Associates has made me to understand that I am not unemployed but rather in a career transition, giving me a more insite on how to comport and sell myself in the course of job search.

The trainer has changed my perception on how I should package myself. In the time past, I use to think that "Resume" gives me a job, but now I know that it is a tool that gives me a chance of been interviewed at the long run get me a job. The training so far, educated me on how to prepare a good Resume, comport myself for an interview and also on the need to network and how to network.

I am really glad to be part of this section and I encourage the organisers to keep up with the good work to help reduce the number of graduate who seek to transcend in the carrier. Thank you.

## ODIAH NONSO AUSTIN

I am grateful and filled with uttermost Euphoria for this rare privilege about how I feel or the utility and have derived after my 3 day session with Harobed and Associates Pet project. Harobed and Associate PET workshop importance and relevance to both the micro and macro sectors of the Nigerian Economy cannot be overemphasised. Based on my knowledge of it, it is a project that aims to bridge the "gap" and "disconnect" between undergraduates-graduates (NYSC corp members) and formal employment. This gap is enormous especially Nigeria with the current Economic Recession, fall of the Naira and high rate of Unemployment and also with the double digit statistical inflation which with is a whopping 17.6% (from National Bureau of Statistics).

I really enjoyed the class session as it was very interactive and more like a discussion class where everyone literally had a chance to contribute thereby raising their self-esteem especially the shy ones. It also Tailors and prepares you for both local and global prerequisites. I was actually informed by a friend and I am glad I could make it although he didn't. I was exposed to things I actually thought I knew and discovered some priceless informats. Words cannot express my profound gratitude to Mrs. Deborah Abebe and her team. More grease to your elbows. Thanks.