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African Network for Internationalization of Education

Season's greetings

Dear ANIE Community,

As the year 2017 comes to a close and as the new year 2018 approaches, I write on behalf of the team at the ANIE Secretariat to send you the season's greetings and best wishes.

I sincerely thank all of you our members and partners for your support during this 2017 and to assure you that your contributions individually and collectively led to significant achievements of our objectives. In 2017, ANIE won successfully completed research funded by the British Council & German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) on PhD Capacity in Sub-Saharan Africa. The study took a period of one year from inception to completion (27th February 2016 to 27th February 2017).

ANIE contributed significantly to the discipline of Internationalization of Education through the publication of a book entitled: *Regionalization of African Higher Education: Progress and Prospects*. The book is edited by Prof. Jane Knight (University of Toronto, Canada) and Emnet Tadesse Woldegiorgis (University of Bayreuth, Germany) and the contributors include Prof. Chika Schoole (ANIE former Chairman) and Mr. James Jowi (ANIE former Executive Director).

The year 2017 also saw a smooth transition at the ANIE Secretariat with my taking over as the Ag. Executive Director as Mr. Jowi took up a new appointment at the East African Community Secretariat as the Principal Education Officer. The 8th ANIE annual Conference held in Kigali on 4 - 6th October, 2017 on the theme *Higher Education in Africa: New Regional and Global Dynamics* was also highly successful. Special thanks to the University of Tourism and Business Studies, Kigali (UTB) for an excellent partnership.

We look forward to productive New year, 2018 during which we shall also be celebrating our 10th Anniversary alongside 9th ANIE Conference to be celebrated in Kenya. We wish you good health and prosperity and hope to interact with you more during 2018 and beyond.

Attached, please find our Card conveying the greetings and also a comprehensive report on the 8th ANIE Conference.

Best wishes,

Dr. Charles O. Ong'ondo
Ag. Executive Director.