



The Millennium Group Foundation Academic Excellence Awards 2016 for the Catholic University Institute of Buea (CUIB).

The Millennium Group Foundation (TMG-F) comprises of a group of Cameroonian professionals based in the UK who pool their efforts to support charitable activities for Cameroonians both in Cameroon and in the Diaspora. TMG-F gained its charitable status in June 2006 (Registration No. 1114694). The vision of TMG-F is one of thriving communities in Cameroon where every citizen, particularly the underprivileged, should have access to adequate health care and education, the means to generate a livelihood and the right to respect, dignity and equality. The initiatives we carry out fall within the following categories: Poverty alleviation; Community development; Healthcare; and Education.

One such initiative is our capacity building programme for higher educational institutions. We have established strategic partnerships to support a number of institutions in Cameroon to become internationally recognised institutions of higher education. We facilitate capacity building initiatives to improve quality assurance and academic standards to support the Universities in providing an exceptional student experience. In this respect, the TMG-F has established The Millennium Group Foundation Academic Excellence Awards to recognise and reward the efforts of students who excel in their studies. The Millennium Group Foundation Academic Excellence Awards to be granted to the Catholic University Institute of Buea (CUIB) in 2016 are as follows:

1. The best final year graduating student in the School of Agriculture & Natural Resource (100k FCFA)
2. The best final year student dissertation in School of Agriculture & Natural Resource (100 FCFA)
3. The best student entrepreneurial initiative of the year (200 FCFA)

The best final year graduating student prize shall be awarded to the student who achieves the highest overall marks on completion of their studies. The responsibility for identifying the best graduating student on the basis of academic performance shall rest with the CUIB but the name of the winning student should be forwarded to the TMG-F.

The electronic copies of the top three final year dissertations from the School of Agriculture & Natural Resource should be emailed to TMG-F. These will be judged by a TMG dissertation awards panel.

The best student entrepreneurial initiative of the year is open to all CUIB students irrespective of their year of study. A selection of the top three student entrepreneurial initiatives for the year 2016 should be submitted for consideration by TMG-F. A brief description, in no more than 250 words, of each business venture and its potential impact in terms of significance and reach should be submitted via email to TMG-F. These will be judged by a TMG entrepreneurial awards judging panel.

All award entries should be submitted via email to the TMG-F trustee responsible for higher education institutions liaison, Prof. Joe Tah. The TMG-F reserves the right to not support the dissertation or entrepreneurial initiative awards in cases where the quality or potential impact respectively is deemed not to warrant an award.

The responsibility for coordinating the submission of the awards rests with the President of the CUIB, Rev. Fr. George Nkeze Jingwa, who may work with the Deans to delegate responsibility to a single designated academic to liaise with Prof. Tah in administering the awards. The TMG-F reserves the right to use the names of winners, the titles and synopsis of the winning dissertations and entrepreneurial initiatives in its promotional material. The TMG-F shall act responsibly to ensure that the CUIB is promoted in a positive light and respect matters of privacy and non-disclosure due to commercial sensitivity where notified.