

WELCOME ADDRESS

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On behalf of the members and staff of the National Academy of Science and Technology, I welcome you to the 17th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Academy.

For this year's meeting, we have adopted a very relevant theme: ETHICS AND POLITICS OF PUBLIC SERVICE. This area, albeit very subjective, deserves our attention because it affects all aspects of policy-making in government, including those formulated for our concern, that is, science and technology.

Our plenary speakers who come from different fields will discuss this. Draft resolutions will be presented towards the end of the meeting for approval.

The Academy, as in the past, refers vital recommendations to concerned government agencies for their study and action. We therefore expect to get your wholehearted participation in all sessions.

Finally, may I reiterate that year-round, NAST is continuously addressing issues on science and technology. We hope to see your presence not only during our annual scientific meeting but also in other activities of NAST such as our roundtable conferences.

Thank you and have an interesting and productive day.

