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SANUSI BAGS GLOBAL BUSINESS MAGAZINE AWARD IN U.S.A ..Dedicates Award to the Nigerian Government and CBN staff

The Governor, Central Bank of Nigeria, Mallam Sanusi Lamido Sanusi, **CON**, has been named as the Central Bank Governor of the Year in the Sub-Saharan Africa, by the Global Business Magazine, *Emerging Markets*. According to the organizers, "the prestigious award is in recognition of the commitment and radical intervention in Nigeria's financial sector to prevent a bigger collapse at the height of last year's crisis".

Speaking at the award ceremony which took place at Cocroan Gallery of Arts, Washington D.C., United States of America, the editor, Emerging Markets Magazine, Mr Taimur Ahmad described Malam Sanusi as "one of the most energetic and tenacious figures in Nigerian business". He further lauded the courageous efforts in "first of all rescuing the Nigerian financial system and then reshaping it through an uncompromising focus on governance" all of which had been receiving acclamation and accolades.

Mallam Sanusi, while receiving the award amidst resounding ovation from the large audience, said he was humbled by the award which he dedicated to the Government of Nigeria, the law enforcement agencies for their unwavering support and the collective efforts of the CBN staff.

Meanwhile, His Excellency, President Goodluck Jonathan, GCFR, has sent a congratulatory and goodwill message to the CBN Governor through which he reaffirmed that "the award is an endorsement of the single minded dedication with which you faced up to your duties as the Governor of the CBN, and clear evidence of the success of our administration's committed efforts at stabilizing the financial sector and stimulating strong economic recovery".

President Jonathan therefore, assured Sanusi and the entire management of the CBN of the unflinching support of the Federal Government and urged him to be even more committed to service for the greater glory of the nation.

The high profile ceremony was attended by governors of central banks, finance ministers and chief executive officers of banks from across the globe.

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