

## **THE NATIONAL VALIDATION WORKSHOP ON DRAFT NATIONAL INTEGRATED INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLAN, HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 10TH, 2014 AT REIZ HOTEL ABUJA.**

The Department of Infrastructure recently held a National Validation Workshop on the Draft National Integrated Infrastructure Master Plan (NIIMP), on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The meeting was declared open by the Hon. Minister/Deputy Chairman, Amb. Bashir Yuguda who was represented by the Secretary to the Commission, Ntufam Fidelis Ugbo Esq.

2. The meeting was well attended by State Commissioners of Planning, Permanent Secretaries, State Directors of Planning and other relevant stakeholders. The process for the development of the NIIMP commenced in September 2012 following the directive by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Dr Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, *GCFR*, that the National Planning Commission (NPC) coordinates the development of the NIIMP as an accelerated blueprint for Infrastructure Development for Nigeria.

3. The purpose of the meeting was to seek further inputs from the State Governments to enrich the draft NIIMP as directed by the National Economic Council (NEC). The core infrastructure covered is energy (power and oil & gas), transport (roads, rail, ports and airports), water and ICT. Other infrastructure areas include agriculture, housing, mining, social infrastructure (Health, Education etc.), vital registration and security. His Excellency, the Deputy Governor of Anambra State, Dr. Nkem Okeke chaired the technical session at the Validation Workshop.

Picture taken at the workshop is in the web site gallery