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Dear Reader

October was dubbed “Indaba Month” at CBE, characterised by frantic planning, and the hustle and bustle of a family wedding, so in similar fashion this issue is dubbed “Indaba Bonanza.” The 9th and 10th dawned bright and sunny and the 3rd Transformation Indaba proceedings flowed smoothly at the Diep in die Berg Conference Centre. Gauteng MEC for Infrastructure and Property Management, Ms Tasneem Motara, did the honours of opening the Indaba, while Advocate Ngoako Ramatlodi delivered the keynote address (published in this issue). Presentations delivered at the Indaba and the photo gallery is accessible on the CBE website for your browsing pleasure.

Significant for the built environment, World Architecture Day was observed on 7 October 2019, and SACAP has been very actively driving awareness on this valued profession. Under the theme “Architecture... housing for all”, the International Union of Architect’s (UIA) poster competition winner was Huda Gharandouqa from Jordan (see below). Depicting a black and white apartment building with human figures silhouetted in the lighted windows, the modular shapes convey urban life and “a sense of community.” While still on the built environment professions, the quantity surveying professional council (SACQSP) is calling on its members and stakeholders for input on revising their Code of Conduct.

**Enjoy your read,
Evelyn Bramdeow**



Top image © Huda Gharandouqa, courtesy of UIA

TRANSFORMATION INDABA



With his impressive line-up of credentials as lecturer in Public International Law, Chairperson of the Justice and Constitutional Development Portfolio Committee, and Minister of Public Service and Administration, Advocate Ngoako Ramathlodi was best placed to address the barriers to transformation in the built environment. Here is an excerpt of his keynote address.

South Africa's democracy is 25 years old, our Constitution 23 years, as a country we are in a phase of early adolescence. We are transitioning into a different season, the foundations we have built through our Constitution needs to be reviewed from time to time. When we entered into the phase of democracy we borrowed laws and regulations from different countries to make our own unique. We negotiated for a peaceful transition from the old to the new. We were careful not to throw the baby with the bath. We allowed the participation of everybody including those who had oppressed us the opportunity to develop laws and regulations for the new South Africa. It is only recently when started to be brave to relook into our Constitution to try and address the issue of land. This is a lesson to us that laws need to be revisited and reviewed from time to time. I started by indicating that we borrowed from other countries because we did not have experience in governing the country, in the 25 years we have seen what works and what does not work. We have made positive strides and we have made blunders in the process of taking the country forward. Perhaps we need to pause and take a look and who we really are, we are not America, we are not Europe or any

other nation for that matter, we are Africans. In Africa what makes us different is the spirit of Ubuntu. Batho Pele should therefore be at the centre of our laws and regulations. Our policies should be about making our people better economically and socially.

Each time we open our mouths about our policies we usually say they are the best in the world but there is no implementation. Have we taken time to see why there is no implementation? Is it because the implementers are too lazy to do so? Is it because they are rebellious? Perhaps this Transformation Indaba will unpack such issues.

I want to congratulate the Council for the Built Environment in its third National Transformation Indaba themed "Breaking the Barriers". I am hoping this is not going to be another talk show. I am hoping that your deliberations will bring about potential solutions for the professionals who are frustrated by our laws and regulations that are not helping them to become the best businesses and innovators required to deliver on our infrastructural projects. Moreover, I am hoping that these discussions will greatly contribute to revitalising your own policies and legislation. It is not a secret that the Built Environment Act and accompa-

Transformation Indaba (continued)

nying legislature is being reviewed. And so, I suppose some of the burning questions to be answered during these two days will be centred on what is working for you and what is not. Even more pertinent, what can be done to break legislative constraints and barriers in the sector and fast track radical economic transformation.

In your engagements I gather that you will be interrogating a number of policies, I suggest that you start by looking into our Constitution because section 217(1) requires government entities to comply with five key principles of the procurement which are: the procurement process must be equitable, transparent, fair, competitive and result in cost-effectiveness for that public institution. In section 217(2) of the Constitution there is recognition that compliance with the five principles of procurement does not prevent government entities in their procurement process from giving priority to certain socio-economic goals. This subsection stipulates that government entities, in the implementation of their procurement policies, can give preference to certain categories of persons. They can, during the procurement process, advance and/or protect categories of persons who have been disadvantaged by unfair discrimination in the past. This constitutional basis of preferential procurement may not meet an objective test for treating all tenders equitably, but is condoned given the socio-economic goals advanced by the Constitution.

The question to ask is whether these principles are adhered to? Who monitors the implementation of these principles?

Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000)

This Act is to ensure that:

Tenders can be targeted to empower specific groups, such as black women.

- Bids up to R50 million will be evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference point system to help smaller, black-owned firms to compete.
- Public entities will be allowed to negotiate prices and value for money with preferred service providers.
- Procurement of locally manufactured goods will be supported.
- Preference points will be allocated in line

with broad-based black economic empowerment status.

- Compulsory subcontracting of at least 30 per cent for tenders above R30 million will be implemented, where feasible, to advance designated groups.

Is this implemented by government procurement practitioners? Who monitors this space?

Occupation Specific Dispensation (OSD)

The OSD is one of the public sector tools to attract and retain requisite skills within the various fields of the public sector. The OSD was introduced through the adoption of a collective agreement (i.e. Resolution 1 of 2007) within the framework of the Public Service Coordinating Bargaining Council (PSCBC). The Occupation Specific Dispensation (post and salary structures) for Engineers and related occupations is applicable to employees who are appointed in terms of the Public Service Act, 1994.

Is this yielding the desired results of attracting and retaining skills in the public sector? Who is monitoring this area?

Hosts and Guests



Seated (left to right): Advocate Ngoako Ramathlodi, Ms Maphefo Mogodi (CBE), Ms Tasneem Motara (Gauteng MEC for Infrastructure and Property Management), Mr Paul Kgole (BBCBE).

Standing (left to right): Ms Priscilla Mdlalose (CBE), Ms Phiwengesihe Mashaba (National Treasury), Ms Karuni Naidoo (SACLAP), Mr Moleto Mohwasa (DPW).

Transformation Indaba (continued)

You Tube

<https://youtube/67OyBXM054E>

<https://www.moneyweb.co.za/news/south-africa/council-for-built-environment-facing-competition-compliance-challenges/>

<https://www.moneyweb.co.za/news/south-africa/micro-enterprises-to-get-a-boost-from-changes-to-procurement-rules/>

<http://m.engineeringnews.co.za/article/cbe-indaba-identifies-persistent-built-environment-transformation-barriers-2019-10-09>



Transformation Indaba (continued)



SACQSP E-Letter



THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL For the **QUANTITY SURVEYING PROFESSION**

Established in terms of the Quantity Surveying Profession Act 49 of 2000

E-LETTER

Date: 15 October 2019
Issue No.7

NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

The South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession is in the process of amending the Code of Professional Conduct in an attempt to cement the utmost protection of the Quantity Surveying Profession and the general public.

The Council requires the assistance of the profession, stakeholders and members with the amendments to the Professional [Code of Conduct](#).

The link above is the current Code of Conduct we encourage members and stakeholders to peruse the Code of Professional Conduct and forward all suggestions and comments to Disciplinary@sacqsp.co.za

Sincere Regards,

Issue 7 – 2019
Sakhile Nkosi
Disciplinary Officer

Show me the Projects

BEPEC - SHOW ME THE PROJECTS WORKSHOP 7th November

At Lynwood
Conference Centre

Theme:
**Opportunities for
South African
Professional and
Construction
Services companies
presented by
Nedbank CIB, Africa
House and World
Bank for much
needed
infrastructure
required across all
sectors of the Built
Environment.**

This event has been validated for
1 CPD credit in Category 1 (Validation No:
BEPEC 20/05/2021)



SPEAKERS:

08:00 – 08:50am :

Arrival & Registrations

08:50 – 09:10am:

Welcome and Introductions - Mr Con Korsten, CEO BEPEC.

09:10 – 10:00am:

Nedbank Portfolio of projects in Africa– Craig Weitz: **(Principal Export Credit Finance) Nedbank CIB.**

10:00 – 10:50am :

Emerging trends – Urbanisation and City growth, Oil & Gas in East Africa and Mining in West Africa – Duncan Bonnet: **(Director) Africa House.**

10:50am – 11:10am:



TEA BREAK

11:10am – 12:00pm:

TBC – George Daniel: **(Senior Procurement Specialist) World Bank.**

12:00am – 12:30pm:

Q & A and Closing by Con Korsten BEPEC and Speakers.

Speaker programme subject to change!

Show me the Projects

BOOKING FORM 2019

WORKSHOPS

Member : R 500 (VAT Excl) - Also applies to affiliation with the below marked councils.

Non-Member: R1300

Please indicate which event you would like to attend by a tick (✓) against the date.

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Venue:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
Thursday 07 th November	Lynwood Conference	Show me the Projects Workshop
Tuesday 11 th February	DBSA	Show me the Money Workshop

DELEGATE'S DETAILS

Designation:	
First Name (As per ID):	
Surname:	
Company HR Contact:	
Delegate's E-mail Address	
Delegate's Cell Phone Number	

COMPANY DETAILS

Member of: (Circle One)	ILASA, ACPM, SAIA, CESA, ASAQS, CIDB, MBSA, BBCBE, SAFCEC
Company Name	
Address	
Vat Number	
Accounts Contact	
Accounts E-mail	

Please return booking to Shadeen@sm2group.co.za **OR** sarah@bepec.co.za.

If you have any questions Sarah can be contacted on **012 362 0522**.

Seats reserved after completion of booking form.

If cancellation is not tendered 48hrs before the Event costs incurred by BEPEC are payable!!

FOR OFFICE USE

Date :	Confirmation received: <i>Yes / No</i>	VA:
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DPWI Audit Committee



public works

Department:
Public Works
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Invitation for applications to serve in the Audit Committee of the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure in terms of Sec 76 (4) of the Public Finance Management Act 1 of 1999 read with Treasury Regulations.

The Department of Public Works and Infrastructure is seeking to appoint members of the Audit Committee. In this regard the Department placed an advertisement in the national media on 06 October 2019 with the closing date of 18 October 2019. Having gone through the preliminary screening processes the Department deemed it necessary to expand the pool of applications and hereby invite interested, qualified and experienced professionals in the built environment disciplines to submit their applications for consideration.

Please visit the website of the Department for a full advertisement at www.dpw.gov.za.

Enquiries: Ms Rendani Mashigoane, Tel (012) 406 1758.

Applications must be delivered to: Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, Nipilar House Building, Corner Hamilton and Madiba Streets, Arcadia, Pretoria or emailed to **Rendani.mashigoane@dpw.gov.za**

Closing date: 30 October 2019, 12h00

Out-and-about



Mr Washington Mushwana, Coega Maths Facilitator (1st from left) and Mr Sandile Boyi, CBE Skills Development Manager (2nd from left) addressed the final assembly for the Grade 12 learners of the 2019 CBE Maths and Science support programme. The assembly, convened on 18 October, recognised the top five learners from the recent trial examinations which serve as a dry run to the final examinations. It also served to motivate the 132 complement of learners who took the programme. The CBE wishes all matriculants strength and success with their examinations.