

consultant, a contractor or a home builder, the useful information contained in this publication will be of great help to undertake the practical task at hand in the best and most cost effective manner.

From the experience gained through the Quantity Surveying profession at the offices of the Association, it has sadly become patently clear that the emerging contractors and uninformed builders are often still lacking in the basic understanding of the cost of construction and how to price tenders, etc. These very CHARTERED QUANTITY SURVEYORS same contractors are often excellent builders, but they simply lack the skill and training on how to price Dubai, United Arab Emirates the required items of work to be undertaken. It is in this light that the Association fully supports the

publication of a guide document such as this BuildAid Building & Pricing Guide. There is a dire need for F:+9714 501 5451 such a document in the industry and the Association fully supports the publication and distribution of this publication as widely as possible within the construction industry.

We wish to congratulate the publishers on a fine publication and wish them every success with the venture.

Whilst the ASAQS offices are already in possession of a complimentary copy of this publication, we are sadly still awaiting the arrival of the mass consignment. Apparently the container is awaiting release by the Customs and Excise Department. So please be advised to check with the ASAQS office (telephone) whether they have arrived before heading off to collect your copy. The cost of these documents (excluding postage, where applicable) are as follows:

Members – R375,00 (including VAT)

• Non-Members - R395,00 (including VAT).

ANNUAL GOLF DAY - INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

The Gauteng Chapter of the ASAQS has pleasure in inviting you to participate in our popular annual Golf Day. This day has been well attended and supported in the past by many companies, professional consultants, contractors and associates in the construction industry.

All profits from the day are in aid of the Gauteng Chapter of the ASAQS Bursary Fund, which benefits needy students at Universities and Technikons in the Gauteng area.

Venue: Centurion Country Club Date: Tuesday, 21 September 2010 Tee-off: From 11:14 Format: Betterball Stableford Cost: R2,000.00 per 4-ball (including green fees, half-way house voucher, prizegiving & dinner) Carts (R230/cart) can be directly booked at the Pro Shop on 012 665 9602, however this is for your own account Caddies (R170/caddie including halfway house of R30 and caddie foundation fee of R10, but excludes tips) are available, however this is for own account RSVP: To enter a 4-ball, please complete the appended registration form and fax to (012) 644 1127

We trust that this invitation will receive your favourable consideration, as the success of the day is dependent on your loyal and valuable support. We are only able to accept the first 30 paid up entries. Kindly submit your entries as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.



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Lets Cruise has notified us that they have just launched a special 8-day "Romantic castles & golden vines" cruise on the four star Swiss Crystal on the Rhine and Moselle rivers in Germany.

The cruise departs Düsseldorf on the 20th September 2010 and bookings are going fast, so don't wait <u>III Click here</u> for a brochure.

CESA RELAY

CESA would like to take this opportunity to invite you and your family to take part in our 25th Anniversary Relay which will be held on Saturday, 28 August 2010 at the Eagle Waters Wildlife Resort, Hartebeesport Dam. The relay commences at 08h00.

Kindly visit the website for more information and registration.

PROCSA J.V. SIGNED

The PROCSA Client/Consultant Professional Services Agreement comprises a suite of documents prepared to regulate the terms of engagement between the client and the consultants. It was compiled in the interests of standardisation and good practice in the construction industry on a mandate from the constituent bodies.

The PROCSA JV Agreement was recently signed by representatives of the constituent members.

Click here to read more.

POLICY ON THE COST OF BANKING CHARGES

CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECEIPT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY PAYMENTS





Click here to forward your CV for consideration or to make an enquiry. The following policy of the ASAQS has been adopted in terms of the cost of banking charges where members make payments to the ASAQS with foreign currency other than South African Rands (ZAR). This policy has been ratified and adopted by the ASAQS Finance Committee at the meeting held on Thursday 03 June 2010. Please <u>click here</u> to read the policy which states : "Members are advised that all payments to the ASAQS are to be made in South African Rand (ZAR) currency. Where this is absolutely unavoidable, the cost of any bank charges related to foreign currency payments will be for the account of the person making the deposit. ...Should it however be unavoidable for members to make payment in a foreign currency, then the ASAQS is happy to oblige, provided that an additional charge of R175,00 be added to each and every transaction that is processed."

A section will soon be opened in the Library to house all policy documents.

COUNCIL EXAMINATIONS - 16th & 17th SEPTEMBER 2010

Application forms and other supporting information are available on the <u>SACQSP website</u> (www.sacqsp.org.za).

The closing date for receipt of applications for admission to the September 2010 examinations is Friday, 20 August 2010

Examinations will be held on 16 and 17 September 2010

Times and venues of the examinations will be published on the SACQSP website.

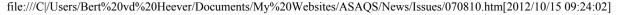
MEETINGS OF "FORUMS OF QS PRACTICES"

Members are advised that there are two regional meetings planned for the "Forums of QS Practices" as follows:

Gauteng:

This serves as the Notice and Reminder of the meeting scheduled as follows:

Date:Tuesday 17 August 2010





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Venue:ASAQS Offices, Suite G6, Building 27, Thornhill Office Park, Bekker Road, Midrand. In preparation for the meeting, attached please find the following documents for your information and records:

Agenda for Meeting No 12 – to follow <u>Minutes of Meeting No 10 – 23.02.2010</u> (as amended and approved) <u>Minutes of Meeting No 11 – 18.05.2010</u> (draft for approval) <u>Appendix "A" – Concerns with NEC suite of contracts</u>

Western Cape:

This serves as the Notice and Reminder of the meeting scheduled as follows:

Date:Tuesday 17 August 2010 Time:14h00 Venue:Narker & Associates offices, 11 Commercial Street, Cape Town. Please RSVP attendance to karen.lejeune@uct.ac.za by no later than 12h00 on Monday 16 August 2010.

In preparation for the meeting, attached please find the following documents for your information and records:

Minutes of Meeting No 2 - 26.01.2010 (draft for approval)

An open invitation is extended to all ASAQS practitioners to attend these meetings and in an informal format to share their ideas and concerns, with a view to seeking solutions with the assistance of the ASAQS. All are welcome to attend the meeting, with representatives from both large and smaller practices.

EXPLANATORY NOTE ON THE JBCC2000 EDITIONS 4.1 (2005) & 5.0 (2007)

<u>This brief note</u>, issued by the Executive Director of the ASAQS to explain the fundamental and material differences between the two editions in order to promote the use of the current edition 5.0 rather than staying in the comfort zone of the past.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORTHCOMING CONGRESSES / CONFERENCES

In order to assist members to plan their diaries this year in terms of forthcoming congresses and conferences they may wish to attend, we publish the preliminary dates of some of these congresses for your attention :

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Members are encouraged to plan ahead and to support these conferences/congresses !!

CLASSIFIEDS

QS in Nelspruit

A prominent engineering consultancy has an opening for a Professional Quantity Surveyor. Suitable candidates must have a BSc(QS), be professionally registered and have at least 8 years experience within a PQS firm. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

QS in Durban

A leading civil contractor in Durban requires a Quantity Surveyor. Minimum qualification is a National Diploma (QS) and 3-5 years experience in Civils. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Experienced QS

Our client is looking for an experienced QS with Minimum 5 years construction experience and someone who will be able to run projects independently. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Construction QS

Our client requires the services of Construction QS to join some of their existing projects in Johannesburg/PTA. The successful candidate will have a firm base of structural experience and over 10 years relevant experience combined with a relevant tertiary qualification. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Senior Female QS

A Leading Civil Engineering Construction Company in Johannesburg is experiencing unprecedented

growth and seeks to appoint competent Females in the Gauteng area. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Senior Quantity Surveyor

A well established Building contractor requires QS with minimum 8 yrs experience on high profile building projects. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Professional Registered PQS

Distinguished Project Consultants seek a Professionally Registered PQS for new and exciting projects they have taken on. Candidates should have a min. of a BSc. QS, be professionally registered and also have no less that 5-10 years experience in the Heavy Mining and Industry sectors. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

PQS Nelspruit

A prominent PQS Firm in Nelspruit has an opening for a Professional Quantity Surveyor. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Female Quantity Surveyor

leading PQS Firm in Johannesburg requires a Female Quantity Surveyor. Minimum qualification is a BTech/BSc (QS) and 3-5 years experience in Commercial and Residential Developments. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Consulting Quantity Surveyor

International multi disciplinary consultancy seeks experienced QS. Our client focuses on providing bespoke consulting services to built environment developers, within South Africa and throughout the African continent. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Quantity Surveyors - Davis Langdon

The George office of Davis Langdon is seeking suitably qualified quantity surveyors with 1 to 4 years post graduate experience. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Quantity Surveyor

Well established plumbing company is looking for a Quantity Surveyor with a recognised University qualification. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Quantity Surveyor

Are you an experienced Quantity Surveyor looking to settle down? Our client - a level one BEE contributor - is a young, forward thinking Quantity Surveying Firm. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

And many more! Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for more job opportunies.

Need quantity surveying personnel? The best way to advertise your vacancies are in the <u>Classifieds</u> <u>section on the ASAQS website</u> - it's absolutely FREE! Adverts submitted to the Classifieds are also included in this newsletter. We also have a number of employment consultancies as sponsors, please see their adverts at the top of this newsletter.

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Contact: Phone Number:	Patricia Smith <u>elpavo@absamail.co.za</u> 011 478 1540	
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Event: Time: Information: Contact: Phone Number:	AACEI Planning & Scheduling Prof 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Six day course to help candidates to write the ICED accredited AACEI Planning and Scheduling Professional International Certification. Patricia Smith <u>elpavo@absamail.co.za</u> 011 478 1540	
18 / 19 / 20 August 20	10	
Event: Time: Information: Contact:	Engineering & Construction Project Management 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM The Engineering and Construction Project Management (ECPM) training course is a 3-day intermediate level course covering the principles, processes, tools and techniques of project management in an engineering and construction context. Terry Deacon training@projectpro.co.za	
Phone Number: Remember : Visit the <u>/</u>	012 346 6674 ASAQS website for new updates!	

Please note : Only paid-up members of the Association of South African Quantity Surveyors are

allowed entrance to the CUG. We still receive a number of applications every month from nonmembers. If you have any questions regarding membership contact ASAQS on 011-3154140.

Also note that your registration to the CUG will remain in force as long as you remain a member of ASAQS and there is no need to register every year. If you have not received an e-mail confirming your registration contact <u>ASAQS</u>.

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CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Rezoning tactics leave flat dwellers feeling the pinch

Quigney tenants are up in arms over increased municipal rates, leaving some with no option but to vacate their flats in search of cheaper accommodation. (©www.eprop.co.za)

Pan-African Parliament complex construction to go ahead despite objections

The Department of Public Works (DPW) says that an analysis of possible sites for the construction of the multimillion-rand Pan-African Parliament (PAP) building has been completed and that the development will proceed on the original Midrand site, in Gauteng, despite the fact that an environmental group still has concerns about the impact of the development. (©www.engineeringnews.co.za)

Castellano-Beltrame factory fetches R12.2m

A winning bid of R12.2m brought the hammer down on the old Castellano-Beltrame factory in Woodbrook, East London at an auction this week. (©www.eprop.co.za)

PPC opts for upgrade rather than new plant in Cape

PPC says it will withdraw an environmental application for its Western Cape capacity expansion programme in light of low cement demand and poor economic conditions. (©www.eprop.co.za)

Erbacon expected 65 percent lower earnings

Erbacon said that it expects headline earnings per share and basic earnings per share to be at least 65% lower than that of the prior corresponding period. (©www.busrep.co.za)

Aveng up, profit to fall less than expected

Shares Aveng jump 4.2 percent to 38.50 rand after the South African construction firm says it expects full-year profit to drop between 5 and 15 percent, less than analysts had expected. (©www.busrep.co.za)

Sea Kay drops after forecasts FY loss

Shares of South Africa's Sea Kay Holdings drop 12.5 percent to 14 cents after the construction company says it expects a headline loss per share of 17 to 18 cents for the year to end-June. (©www.busrep.co.za)

Prime CBD lease signed and sealed

The lease of a prime located commercial space on the ground floor of Cape Town's historic Mandela Rhodes Place in the heart of the city centre is concluded. (©www.eprop.co.za)

Hyprop turns down Redefine's mandatory offer

Hyprop Investments has announced that its board is recommending that combined unitholders reject the mandatory offer by Redefine Properties to Hyprop unitholders. (©www.eprop.co.za)

Capital plans focus on A-grade commercial property

ISTED property unit trust Capital Property Fund, which yesterday posted a solid set of results for the six months to June, plans to become a specialised commercial and industrial fund, owning only A-grade properties in the four major metropolitan areas of Cape Town, Durban, Johannesburg and Pretoria. (©www.eprop.co.za)

Hyprop board opposes Redefine offer

Redefine Properties' planned acquisition of Hyprop Investments has been set back after Hyprop's board recommended that shareholders reject the offer. (©www.eprop.co.za)

EMPLOYMENT CORNER

Construction supervisor

A Construction supervisor is required by distinguished consultancy in JHB. Prospective candidates should have at least five years exp. within the industry, particularly with regard to contract administration with special emphasis on safety progress and quality. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Foremans

Foremans required for construction Botswana. Must have at least 5 years experience in the construction and engineering environment. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Site Agents

Site agents required for construction in Mozambique and Botswana, preferably Portugues speaking. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Various Positions in Saudi Arabia

Our Client and International Construction Company is seeking candidates for the following positions in Saudi Arabia:

- Project Managers: with experience in the Middle East.

- Planning Engineers: with experience in Primavera 6 and Expedition.
- Quantity Surveyors and Cost Control Engineers: with experience in Win Qs or other cost control softwares.

- Contract Administrators: with experience in FIDIC / JCT / AIA forms of contract and experience in the Middle East.

Browse to Classifieds for full details.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Business development manager required for engineering company in Bahrain. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

COMMERCIAL PLANNER - Civils

Based in Limpopo on a major civil construction site your key role will be to assist the Senior Planner in creating & maintaining commercial claims programmes. Will also assist the Commercial Managers in maximizing profits and the preparation of the extension of time sections of claims and variables. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

COMMERCIAL MANAGER

Highly experienced, strong COMMERCIAL MANAGER required on a major civil project in Limpopo. Responsible for full commercial functions and management of the commercial input and services for the entire project. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Site agent for Pretoria

Civil Site Agent with 7-10 years on-site experience to work for a civil engineering contractor. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Site agent and land surveyor

Site agent and land surveyor available. 10 years experience in civil and construction industry. Has own land surveying equipment. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Need construction personnel? The best way to advertise your vacancies are in the <u>Classifieds section</u> on the <u>ASAQS website</u> - it's absolutely FREE! Adverts submitted to the Classifieds are also included in this newsletter. We also have a number of employment consultancies as sponsors, please see their adverts at the top of this newsletter.

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RETAIL, HOTEL AND LEISURE ROUNDUP	BUSINESS INCENTIVES
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A new star-grading system comes into effect on October 1 for most of SA's accommodation	incentives
establishments. The move will overhaul the system that was put in place eight years ago.	Competitive enhancement
(©www.eprop.co.za)	incentives
Improving signs for CBD retail?	Export incentives
In light of improving economic conditions, there is increased demand for space in the retail sector, and	Industrial financing
Long Street is no exception.	Industrial participation
(©www.eprop.co.za)	Social responsibility
Province in R400m sectourism deal	FREE CONTRACTS
Province in R400m ecotourism deal	Domestic Employment
The MTPA announced a R400m eco tourism agreement with the Manyeleti Conservation Trust to	Offer to purchase
further develop the 23000ha Manyeleti Game Reserve.	
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	Loan agreement
New Masmart HQ in Tiber building	Agreement of sale
Nedbank Corporate Property Finance funded the recently completed head office building for Massmart	Will

and Makro in the Tiber Group's Sunninghill Office Park in Johannesburg. (©www.eprop.co.za)

New food chain offers empowerment opportunities

The site in Nelspruit's Plaza Centre, opposite the police station and next to the taxi rank, was wellsuited for a passing trade of foot traffic, but was bigger than he needed. (©www.eprop.co.za)

SA hotel industry scores during FIFA World Cup

During the hosting period of the first FIFA World Cup on African soil, hotel room revenues jumped with 121,7% or by about R1 099 a room, while occupancy increased with around 6% compared with the same period last year, business advisory firm Deloitte found. (©www.engineeringnews.co.za)

WC gives hotel room revenue a good boost

Get the exact year-on-year figures of how the Soccer World Cup influenced the profitability of the hotel industry. (©www.property24.com)

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An Agreement giving General Power of Attorney Contract for Housing and Minor Works



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Great Buildings:

Church of St Francis, by Oscar Niemeyer, at Pampulha, Brazil, 1943. (©www.greatbuildings.com)

EMPLOYMENT CORNER

Need architectural personnel? The best way to advertise your vacancies are in the <u>Classifieds section</u> on the <u>ASAQS website</u> - it's absolutely FREE! Adverts submitted to the Classifieds are also included in this newsletter. We also have a number of employment consultancies as sponsors, please see their adverts at the top of this newsletter.

Thanks to the PIA for some of the information published in this section - drop them a note at admin.pia@saia.org.za A REMINDER OF THE PIA'S OWN WEBSITE FOR INTER-MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS, FORUMS, DISCUSSIONS, ETC. www.pia.org.za



PROJECT MANAGEMENT NEWS

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Let's Build a "Program"

Program Management is a growing delivery system being utilized in the delivery of large, complex CAPEX delivery programs worldwide. This paper is intended as a "primer" showing how the owner's investment decision process, top level strategic business objectives and program execution are linked. (©www.pmworldtoday.net)

EMPLOYMENT CORNER

PROJECT / CONTRACTS MANAGER - Seychelles

Our client is a well-established building contractor who works in the islands and along the East Coast of Africa on various building projects, which include leisure, commercial and retail. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR Ref PL05

Our Client needs a top quality BEE lady to be the right hand person to the Development Director. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

PLANNER (Moçambique based) Ref PL04

Extremely busy PQS which handles not only QS but also project management requires the services of a planner to support their ongoing workload.

PROJECT MANAGER (BEE APPT) Ref PL03

Our Client needs a top quality BEE PROJECT MANAGERS. This progressive and successful finance house's property division has continued to develop properties not only in South Africa but in Africa as well.

SNR PLANNER (BEE APPOINTMENT) Ref PL01

This progressive and successful finance house's property division has continued to develop properties not only in South Africa but in Africa as well.

TANK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGER

Tank construction project manager required for engineering company in Bahrain.Must have at least 7--8 years steel tank const experience in peterochem tankage--large diameter. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

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The Project Management Calendar

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PROJECT/CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

Project/Construction Manager required for Water Tank Construction project in Bahrain. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Project Manager

Encha Group Limited is an investment holding company based in Midrand needs the services of a Project Manager. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Project Managers (2 No.)

Both a Junior and Senior Client-side Project Manager to join a progressive property developer. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Senior Project Manager

Senior project manager required for Jhb based engineering/construction company. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Need project managers? The best way to advertise your vacancies are in the <u>Classifieds section on the</u> <u>ASAQS website</u> - it's absolutely FREE! Adverts for Project Managers submitted to the Classifieds are also included in this newsletter. We also have a number of employment consultancies as sponsors, please see their adverts at the top of this newsletter.

VISIT SACPCMP

SACPCMP was established to provide for statutory professional certification, registration and regulation of Project and Construction Management Professions in order to protect public interest and advance construction and project management education.

To visit the <u>The South African Council for the Project and Construction Management</u> <u>Professions.... click here</u>

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ENGINEERING NEWS

PPC decides against 1,4Mt/y Western Cape cement plant

JSE-listed aggregate and cement producer Pretoria Portland Cement (PPC) no longer plans to build a new 1,4-million-ton a year plant, as part of its Se Kika expansion project, in the Western Cape. (©www.engineeringnews.co.za)

Skybridge links key venues in Sandton

The Sandton Convention Centre (SCC) reports that the newly built skybridge, which links it to the Michelangelo Towers, will allow delegates to save time as they move between meetings and venues and to the various five-star hotels surrounding the convention centre. (©www.engineeringnews.co.za)

Competition for African projects hots up

Consulting engineers are increasingly looking cross-border for projects in Africa, says Consulting Engineers South Africa (Cesa) president Zulch Lötter.

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EMPLOYMENT CORNER

REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER

Multi disciplinary practice is starting up a civil division. They need someone to head up the division and bring in staff to complete his team. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Structural Engineer/ Technologist

Structural Engineer / Technologist required for consulting firm based in Johannesburg. Operating at a national level, our client who has been in existence for over 50 years prides itself in consulting in civil, structural and development engineering. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Cost Engineer - Johannesburg

The services of a Cost Engineer is required in Johannesburg. Browse to Classifieds for full details.

CONTRACTS ADMINISTRATOR / COST ENGINEERS

If you are seeking a permanent position, worked on engineering, civil or mining projects and wish to secure your future, here is a chance! Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Civil Engineering Manager

My client requires the services of a Degreed Civil Engineer with extensive experience(min 20 years) in Roads (large projects)to manage their SA operation. Browse to <u>Classifieds</u> for full details.

Need engineers? The best way to advertise your vacancies are in the <u>Classifieds section on the</u> <u>ASAQS website</u> - it's absolutely FREE! Adverts for Engineers submitted to the Classifieds are also included in this newsletter. We also have a number of employment consultancies as sponsors, please see their adverts at the top of this newsletter.

From the Safcec newsletter:

KwaZulu Natal News

Meeting of Institutions held on 22 July 2010:

This meeting is attended by City officials (Head of Engineering and City Engineer), Heads of UKZN, DUT, CESA Chairman, SABTACO Chairman and SAFCEC

Safety:

Keith and Margie attended the FEMA ROAD SHOW this week in KZN. It was a good turnout and some of our members did attend.

North Branch News

North Branch Annual General Meeting and Annual Cocktail Party, 25 August 2010: It is just about time again for the North Branch AGM and Cocktail Party, this year it will be held at The Wanderers Club in Illovo on Wednesday, 25 August 2010. This is an occasion where members of SAFCEC, client bodies and suppliers can network in a relaxed environment.

SAFCEC Human Resources

Wage Negotiations 2010:

The fourth round of the 2010 wage negotiations was held on 26 and 27 July 2010. There was a possibility of a settlement on 27 July 2010, unfortunately the process was derailed by BCAWU in respect of a 2009 outstanding task team issue - Consolidation of Retirement Funds (despite the fact that this issue was agreed to at the CCMA).

SAFCEC Enterprise Development

Diamond Academy Program - August 2010:

SAFCEC will be conducting the 4th series of Diamond Academy in August 2010. The SAFCEC Diamond Academy Program is specifically aimed at Developing Contractors. The main objective of the Diamond Academy is to give Developing Contractors an opportunity to learn from industry experts and to network with them whilst learn about business tactics. The DA program will be held at SAFCEC HO in Bedfordview, Gauteng on 07; 14; 21 & 28 August 2010. Candidates needs to attend all 4 Saturday's, you miss any Saturday you will be disqualified.

For further information and application forms, you are welcome to contact Martha on (011) 409-0907 or email <u>Martha@safcec.org.za</u>

Diary of Events

For the Safcec Diary of Events for August and September 2010, please click here, page 5.

VISIT SAFCEC

Sixty three years constitute two generations. <u>The South African Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors</u> has celebrated over sixty years of being the "midwife" of the development of South Africa. Its members were intimately involved in the creation of the infrastructure that became the envy of our continent. In the same spirit, SAFCEC has prepared itself for the challenges awaiting us in the new millennium.

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NEWS FROM AFRICA

India signs \$42m loan with Congo following debt relief

India has signed a deal with Democratic Republic of Congo to extend a \$42-million credit line for building a hydroelectric plant, Congolese and Indian officials said on Thursday. (©www.engineeringnews.co.za)

Mozambique's Cahora Bassa dam to undergo revamp

Africa's largest energy-producing dam Cahora Bassa in northern Mozambique will receive its first revamp since it was built over 30 years ago. (©www.busrep.co.za)

Shanta plans to start building Tanzania gold mine before year-end

London-listed Shanta Gold plans to start construction on its \$23-million Chunya gold mine, in Tanzania, site

VIRUS OR HOAX?

In case you ever receive an e-mail containing a virus warning please check carefully whether it refers to a real virus or a hoax. Usually e-mail warnings encouraging you to forward the information to all and sundry are hoaxes. You can make sure by visiting the <u>Virus or Hoax?</u> web site or by visiting the hoax list on <u>Symantec</u>

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If you suspect that you have opened an email containing a virus visit the virus information section on <u>Virus or Hoax?</u> The site also links to free virus-removal programs. before the end of this year, but is still awaiting the granting of mining rights for the project. (©www.miningweekly.com)

Diamond junior Obtala to scale up operations in Tanzania

Aim-listed Obtala Resources was expecting the main and the mobile dense-media separation (DMS) plants at its Sierra Leone operations to rapidly build-up production from September onwards. (©www.miningweekly.com)

Blending Traditions and contemporary for Church design

The DOS Architects' winning design for the Catholic Church of Transfiguration in Nigeria may appear very contemporary: it is intrinsically based on traditional principles of traditional Catholic Church design. (©www.constructionreviewonline.com)

Rehabilitating the Benguela Railways

About US\$200 million are being invested by Angolan government in the rehabilitation of the Benguela Railways (CFB), aiming at restoring train circulation in the region within a year's time. (©www.constructionreviewonline.com)

CoAL to defend bid to halt mining at Vele

South African miner Coal of Africa says it will vigorously defend the appeals brought against its Vele mine on environmental concerns and that they had no basis or legal merit. (©www.miningmx.com)



MINING NEWS

Xstrata in \$5 billion new mine spend after bumper Q2

Mining group Xstrata said it would pump over \$5 billion into new mines and keep targeting organic growth rather than acquisitions, after more than doubling first-half earnings per share on higher metals prices.

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Gold Fields BEE package deal

Gold Fields CEO Nick Holland says the three latest BEE transactions approved by government form a "package deal" with the previous Mvelaphanda Resources transaction. (©www.miningmx.com)

First Uranium gains momentum, reports Q1 profit

Uranium- and gold-miner First Uranium on Friday reported first-guarter profit of \$6,8-million, compared with a loss of \$3,9-million for the comparable period last year. (©www.miningweekly.com)

\$1 500/oz in 2011 'not unrealistic' – Randgold Resources

A gold price of \$ 1500/oz in 2011 is not unrealistic, Randgold Resources CEO Dr Mark Bristow tells Mining Weekly Online. The London- and Nasdag-listed Randgold Resources on Thursday reported a 52% guarterly profit rise to \$36,4-million on the previous guarter and a 92% rise on corresponding 2009 quarter. Half-year profit was up 88%. (©www.miningweekly.com)

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Chinese seen as likely suitors for Platinum Group

The fact that Canadian junior Platinum Group Metals (PTM) CEO Michael Jones has already got a job at a new firm indicates that the TSX-listed company could probably be bought, and analysts are tipping Jinchuan and China Africa Development as the most likely buyers. (©www.miningweekly.com)

Palabora doubles interim earnings to R304m

Rio Tinto subsidiary Palabora Mining on Thursday reported a 116% increase in 2010 half-year earnings to R304-million, compared with the R141-million in headline earnings achieved in the six months ended June 2009.

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Namdeb to invest \$1bn to extend life of mines

Namdeb will invest \$1-billion in the next ten years to extend the life of its diamond mining operations near Oranjemund in Namibia, the 50:50 joint venture between De Beers and the Namibian government said on Thursday.

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NEWS FOR ESTATE AGENTS AND HOME OWNERS THE AGENTS' TOOLKIT Property Research Investments & Personal Riverclub mansion a residential masterpiece Finance Research AN OFFICE building in Witbank is among the properties to be offered at Auction Alliance's commercial **Quarterly Economic** sale on August 18, while a mansion in Riverclub, Johannesburg, features in the group's platinum Perspective residential auction. **Bond Repayment Calculator** (©www.eprop.co.za) Selected Repayment ۲ Limpopo to complete RDP houses Affordability - "What loan Limpopo residents whose RDP houses were never completed, have been urged to register their cases amount do I qualify for? before the end of September. Bond Term - "How soon can (©www.property24.com) I pay off my Loan? Monthly Repayment - How Agri-estates before golf estates much is my monthly New residential golf estates may become a thing of the past in Gauteng if policy on which the repayment? province's agriculture department is working is adopted. Bond Costs - How much will (©www.eprop.co.za) my bond cost be? Century City residential sales up 150% Additional Payment - What Get all the figures and information on the properties sold at this plush Cape Town development. happens if I pay extra each (©www.property24.com) month? Multiple Payments - What WC residential market leading whole SA happens if I pay more than Get a comprehensive overview of the residential property market and pricing in the Western Cape. once per month? (©www.property24.com) Estimated Building Affordable housing for Eerste River **Replacement Cost** A R170m housing project that aims to bring the GASH (Good Address Small Home) concept to the affordable housing market in Eerste River is soon to be launched. Buying a home - step by step

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Joburg CBD flat rentals surge

The Johannesburg inner city appears to be the only market in South Africa still offering buy-to-let investors a growing income stream. (©www.property24.com)

Tips on Finding Cape Town Property Rentals

Looking for Cape Town property rentals can be a daunting task. Before you embark on this process, it might be a good idea to sit down and make a list of your requirements. Are you looking for a flat or a house? How many rooms/bathrooms/garages do you need? (©www.privateproperty.co.za)

Mosaic ideas for your home

Looking for unique home improvement ideas? Try mosaic art - it's a fun way to add your personal touch.

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The Customer is Always Wrong

The most stressful part of selling a property is finding a buyer who either has the cash or is in a strong position to raise a bond. Right? Wrong! It appears the most harrowing part of selling a property, at least if you live in Johannesburg, happens after the sale agreement has been signed and after the finance has been arranged.

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Sect. title: When votes are not allowed

All owners of units in a sectional title complex are allowed to vote at general meetings. But there are a few caveats.

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Don't lie on bond application

Telling white lies on your bond application might seem innocuous, but it's not. Hear what the experts have to say about mortgage fraud. (©www.property24.com)

Buy low to beat negative equity

If you want to avoid the negative equity "monster" that can swallow your home whole, you'll need to do some forward planning. (©www.property24.com)

What are costs of not paying levies?

Not paying your levies could cost you dearly. Find out what the ramifications are. (©www.property24.com)

Temporary relocation: Sell or let home?

So you're moving temporarily for work. But what do you do with your house? Get some useful insights. (©www.property24.com)

Stats can 'lie'

Now perhaps more than ever, consumers from all walks of life – whether aspiring or existing home owners - are avidly interested in the residential property market, and they are faced with a considerable

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amount of information imparted in the media, on the internet or via advertising. (©www.eprop.co.za)

Real prices will still drop

Real prices will, despite the current robust recovery in nominal house prices, still be heading south in the medium term. (©www.property24.com)

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GREEN BUILDING NEWS

Ridgeside 'green' office development takes shape

A R107-million contract for the construction of a new office development in Umhlanga Ridge is well underway, contractor Grinaker-LTA reports. The total construction area of 30 183 m2 consists of a fourstorey office block and a three-level parkade, explains Rankin Burger, contracts director at Grinaker-LTA Building East. The project is scheduled for completion by 5 November 2010. (©www.eprop.co.za)

Steel giant aims to reduce carbon footprint

Steelmaker ArcelorMittal South Africa (AMSA) tells Engineering News that it has spent in excess of R560-million on significant environmental improvement projects and expects to spend in excess of R1billion over the next three to four years on environment-friendly projects to reduce its carbon footprint and ensure that it contributes to global efforts to tackle climate change and other environmental concerns.

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<u>Climate-Sensitive Design</u>

A house or a building can be thought of as being an envelope, which shelters an indoor space from the weather outside. The objective of the envelope is to maintain a comfortable inside environment. One approach is to build the building and then force the inside temperature to be comfortable by using fans, heaters, air conditioners, window louvers or computerised control schemes. (©www.ecobuilding.mu)

Counter-Tops

Countertops are often showpieces in kitchens and bathrooms. They speak to the style and environmental sensibilities of the homeowner. And because we assemble our meals on them and use them every day in the bathroom, their environmental and health effects are intimately linked with our daily lives. (©www.ecobuilding.mu)

Construction Procedures

It is amazing how much of an environmental impact the process of constructing a building can have on the local. By the time you take in the ecological footprint of all the materials and labor, it can be a bit overwhelming. Here are some ideas for reducing the impact of the construction process itself. (©www.ecobuilding.mu)

Innovative design to help with Climatic Conditions

The UK's leading architectural charity is using skills of architects and engineers to help protect the

75,000 ha Gola Rainforest in Sierra Leone. (©www.constructionreviewonline.com)

A New Era of Sustainability

CEO reflections on progress to date, challenges ahead and the impact of the journey toward a sustainable economy. ForewordWe come together at the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit 2010 to mark a decade of progress in advancing the corporate sustainability movement globally. (©www.greenbuilding.co.za)

2030 Conversations

"Ladies and gentlemen, fellow South Africans, I do know one thing for sure: when 2030 doesfinally come along, there will still be rainbows arching over the horizons of our beautiful andbeloved land as a sign of hope. May God richly bless South Africa's future. Nkosi Sikelel' iAfrika. (©www.greenbuilding.co.za)

Can Humans Survive?

Humans have survived ice ages and deadly pandemics to become the dominant species on Earth, even if our reign over the planet barely represents a blip in a geological record that has seen countless living organisms come and go. (©www.greenbuilding.co.za)

Storing Solar Energy With Batteries

Coming on the heels of yesterday's announcement of the successful coupling of a 1-MW battery with an 11-MW wind farm in Minnesota, two announcements today highlight the use of batteries with solar energy systems.

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Who's Running The Ship? What's The End Game?

On August 5th, Senate Democrats dropped \$1.5 billion of stimulus funding for renewable energy and electric transmission loan guarantees to help offset a \$26 billion state aid bill that is set for a floor vote today. According to energy news outlet E&E: The \$1.5 billion would be drawn from \$6 billion that Congress provided to help companies developing renewable energy and transmission projects afford fees linked with Energy Department loan guarantees. (©www.renewableenergyworld.com)

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The indicators as on 6 Aug 2010 at 16:23					
	This week	31/07/2010			
Rand/\$	7.23	7.34			
Rand/£	11.53	11.46			
Rand/€	9.61	9.58			
Gold/oz	\$1208.70	\$1168.78			
Gold Mining	2453.12	2307.70			
JSE All Share	28433.32	28251.67			

Oil steady near \$82 before US payrolls report

Crude oil prices were steady on Friday near \$82 before a report expected to show US employment declined for a second straight month in July, as investors watch for clues to the pace of economic and energy demand recovery.

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Recession, rand exact heavy toll on Foskor

South African phosphate rock miner and fertiliser producer Foskor reported a sharp fall in revenue and earnings for the year ended March 31, 2010, on the back of a recession-linked pullback in prices and demand, as well as lower production and a strong appreciation of the rand against the US dollar during the period.

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Gold up, heads for biggest weekly gain since June

Gold ticked up on Friday and was on track for its biggest weekly gain since June, ahead of the release of US payrolls data while ETF holdings rose for the first time since mid-July. (©www.miningweekly.com)

Ominous signs for banking fortunes

In an inauspicious start to the reporting season, three out of South Africa's big four banks have failed to the meet market expectations. (©www.fin24.com)

How to avoid e-filing mistakes

The SARs online tax submission system has made tax submissions simpler, but business owners need to take care when submitting returns online. (©www.fin24.com)

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Wat noem jy 'n hasie in 'n pyp?
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vocabulary:
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A South African was sitting with

an Aussie and an Englishman in a house of ill repute when the police bust in and arrested them. They were initially given the death sentence but contested this and were finally imprisoned for life. But as it was a holiday Weekend, the King decided they should be released after each receiving 20 lashes of the whip. As they were preparing for their punishment, the King suddenly said "It's my third wife's birthday today and she asked me to allow each of you one wish before your whipping, but you can not wish to not be whipped!" The Englishman thought for a second then said: "Please tie a pillow to my back before whipping." This was done but the pillow only lasted 10 lashes before the whip went through. The Englishman cried in pain. The Aussie saw this and said: "Please tie 2 pillows to my back before whipping." This was

KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Economic Data and Forecasts

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A summary of data available from various institutions is available on the <u>SA Financial Sector Forum</u> <u>Website</u> at http://www.finforum.co.za/econdata.htm



done and lasted for the whole 20 lashes. The Aussie stood up smiling. The South African saw this but before he could make his wish, the King said: "As you are from South Africa with all that crime, a cricket team who is always losing in a final and a rugby team who can't win anything, you are permitted to have two wishes!" The South African thought for a second, then said: "Thank you your Royal Highness. My first wish is to receive a hundred lashes with the stronaest, toughest whip available." "If you so desire," the King replies with a questioning look on his face, "and your second wish?" "Tie the Aussie to my back" replied the South African!



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