

## Staying in TOUCH WITH MEMBERS

### March - April 2024

### ACTIVITIES

## 1

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1.1 Directors Forum on Thursday 20th June
- 1.2 ACEB Golf Tournament on Thursday 8th August ( [Click For More Information](#) )
- 1.3 ACEB Annual Engineering Excellence Awards on Saturday 16th November 2024 - Save the date ( [Click For More Information](#) )
- 1.4 ACEB Annual Engineering Excellence Awards on Saturday 16th November 2024- Call to Entry ( [Click For More Information](#) )

## 2

### ACEB Training - Course Schedule 2024

MONTH	DATE	COURSE	MODE OF STUDY
APRIL	8th -9th	<b>Module 2-</b> FIDIC Claims & Disputes Course based on FIDIC Red and Yellow books	Done
MAY	7th – 8th	<b>Module 3 -</b> FIDIC Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) and Dispute Avoidance and Adjudication Board (DAAB) based on FIDIC Red, Yellow and FIDIC Contracts Guide books	Postponed
JUNE	10th – 11th 18th & 20th 25th	Managing Projects with Microsoft Project Pressure Pipeline and Pump Station Design & Specification – a Practical Overview Integrity Management Workshop	Online Online Online
JULY	3rd – 4th 9th – 10th 30th- 31st	Contract Comparison <b>Module 3 -</b> FIDIC Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) and Dispute Avoidance and Adjudication Board (DAAB) based on FIDIC Red, Yellow and FIDIC Contracts Guide books Mastering Engineering and Construction Contracts Contract Comparison	Online Online Online
AUGUST	1st – 2nd	JBCC	Online
SEPTEMBER	11th – 12th 24th – 25th	Construction Claims Practical Approach NEC	Online Online
OCTOBER	7th – 8th 9th – 10th 11th 14th – 15th 28th – 29th	<b>FIDIC Module 1 -</b> Practical Use of the FIDIC Conditions of Contracts ) <b>Module 4 -</b> FIDIC Contract Management and Administration Course based on FIDIC Red, Yellow and Silver books <b>Module 0 -</b> FIDIC Suite of Service Agreements Course White Book Managing Projects Risk Contract Law	In - Person In - Person In - Person Online Online
NOVEMBER	19th – 20th	<b>FIDIC Module 1 -</b> FIDIC Contracts Introductory course based on FIDIC Red and Yellow Books	

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### MEETINGS/ EVENTS ATTENDED

- 3.1 ACEB Vice President, Deputy Hon Secretary, and ACEB Secretariat attended an online webinar on Wednesday 21st February 2024 entitled "Grooming for Corruption: A Deep Dive into Techniques Employed in Softening Individuals for Corruption." Which was organised by BCPI in collaboration with Malkara Consulting, an Australia-based Anti-Corruption specialist firm.
- 3.2 A tripartite meeting was held between ACEB, ERB, and BIE on Friday 23rd February 2024. The purpose of the meeting was to follow up progress on publishing of the 2019 Fees by PPRA and revision of the Framework of Fees which is long overdue. Members resolved that an urgent meeting be arranged with Deputy PS Projects at Ministry of Transport and Public Works (Ms Tshupo Kebakile) who will be expected to provide answers for the two related issues. The meeting is still pending.
- 3.3 A meeting was arranged between ACEB, BIE, and SAFEQ President on Wednesday 13th March 2024. The purpose of the meeting was a quest by ACEB to clarify their expectation for collaboration by the three parties. The deliberations resulted in the following resolutions:
  - Remove SAFEQ from proposed structure
  - All engineering organisations to collaborate on equal footing
  - BIE to remain representative in SAFEQ
  - SAFEQ President was advised to write formally to ACEB and other engineering organisations/groupings in the country, to request for sponsorship to clear payment arrears to SAFEQ
- 3.4 ACEB President and Immediate Past President attended the Construction SLHCC pre-meeting on 20th March 2023

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- 3.5 ACEB President and CEO had a virtual meeting on 28th March 2024 with FIDIC CEO Nelson Ogunshakin, who was accompanied by the team of FIDIC Membership Services being:
  - Helena Davidson Deputy Chair DNSAC
  - Anil Iyer General Manager Membership
  - Oro Cohen Senior Membership and Stakeholder Executive
 CEO of FIDIC wanted to welcome ACEB President to his new role at ACEB. He invited Mr Madibela to share any challenges that ACEB has and if there is any way that FIDIC can help. Points noted during the meeting include:
  - FIDIC is working on new membership fee structure
  - FIDIC is in the process of creating a new Member Association Guide on how to run an association
  - The 1st Edition of FIDIC Membership Newsletter is due to come out within the next few weeks
  - Membership subscriptions account for 20% of FIDIC income, 80% comes from conferences, training, and publications
  - Consideration can be made to adapt the FIDIC membership Brochure to ACEB, this way members and others will be able to see what the benefit is of being ACEB and FIDIC member
- 3.6 ACEB President accompanied by Past President Dr S. Kobole and ACEB CEO, had a meeting with PPRA Acting CEO Ms Tumelo Motsomi and her team on 22nd April 2024. The purpose of the meeting was firstly to seek clarity and guidance from PPRA on their rules and regulations in cases where the main contractor in a design-and-build project is not honouring their consultant's payment claims. PPRA advice was to engage the client's accounting officer and then if it doesn't work to write to PPRA and invoke Regulation 4.2.93 of the PPRA Code of Conduct. Secondly, ACEB wanted to appreciate from PPRA why there is no movement with publishing of the approved 2020 Framework of Fees. PPRA has explained that ERB and Ministry of Transport and Public Works have not fully responded to their questions and they are still waiting.
- 3.7 ACEB had an online introductory meeting with PMI Botswana on 26th April 2024. The two parties will explore options for ACEB-PMI collaboration.

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### ACEB FUTURE LEADERS

- **University Outreach**  
University outreach seminar was held at Botho University on the 21st of March 2024 under the theme "Transitioning from school to work". The presenter was Ms. Nametso Molokoane, Mentorship Committee Lead. The program is designed to prepare scholars for the real world in the engineering industry by sharing our experience and challenges we face in the industry.
- **Career Guidance**  
Career guidance was held on the 26th of March 2024 at Mogoditshane Senior Secondary School in conjunction with Mosepele Foundation under the theme "Take a guide towards the right career for you". ACEB FL was represented by Ms. Princess Makolo. Through this program the students were educated about engineering in general and the disciplines available.
- **Engineering Dialogue Session I**  
Session I of the Engineering Dialogue for the year was held on the 24th of April of 2024 under the topic "Unpacking the Role of Local Engineering Bodies (ERB, BIE & ACEB) - Their Mandate and Why They matter to Young Professionals". ERB was represented by ERB Standards Officer Eng. Laone Jacobs, BIE was represented by their current President Eng. Donald Kandima and ACEB was represented by our immediate past President Eng. Tebogo Tebogo. There were a total of about 40 participants during the session. There was a positive engagement between the presenters and the young professionals in attendance.
- **ACEBFL 5 Aside Mini Tournament**  
5 Aside Mini Tournament was hosted on the 27th of April 2024. The event was a success with a total of 10 teams registered from ten ACEB companies. The teams had support from families, company directors, friends, and colleagues. Bothakga Burrow were the champions of the tournament, AR Edwards securing the 2nd position and CPP claiming the 3rd position.

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