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COURTESY VISIT TO JULIUS BERGER GENERAL MANAGER @ BODO



TO BODO-BONNY ROAD BY NIHTE



**COURTESY VISIT TO NDDC BY NIHTE** 



### **EDITORIAL**

We have reached the mid-year with various activities including inaugurations as shown below and inside the pages.

#### NIHTE INAUGURATES NEW ANAMBRA STATE EXCO WITH NWOTI AS CHAIRMAN

Making use of indigenous contractors and following specifications and designs have been described as the means to quality road construction. This was the highpoint of speeches made during the Investiture of Engineer Judemary Nwoti as the third Chairman, Anambra state chapter of the Nigerian Institution of Highway and Transportation Engineers, NIHTE.

The institution established in 2013 by the Council of Nigerian Society of Engineers aims to make inputs on quality and standard road infrastructure in the country in addition to developing other means of transportation. In his address during the investiture ceremony, the National Chairman of the Institution, Engineer Saidu Hassan represented by the National Secretary General of the Association, Engineer Bola Mudasiru noted that research and collaboration are important in improving road infrastructure in the country which he said the institution is currently focused on.

In a Lecture, the Head Department of Engineering, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Professor Akaolisa Ezeagu who lectured on the theme: Design, Construction and Maintenance of Road Infrastructure; Doing it Right", opined that the exclusion of Indigenous Contractors, hurried road designs without field visits and not following specifications just to cut comers are all factors

hindering good and quality roads in the country. In his inaugural address, Engineer Judemary Nwoti assured that the institution under his leadership will continue positive strides, especially in training and mentoring young Engineers, emphasizing the need to use qualified Engineers in public infrastructure amongst others. Some Engineers who spoke during the event including the immediate past Chairman of the Institution, Engineer Augustine Ifeanyichukwu, the Pioneer Chairman of the Institution, Engineer Chidi Obiudu and the Chairman, Nigerian Institution of Civil Engineers.

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#### NIHTE PARTICIPATION / FEEDBACK FROM SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROCUREMENT CALL FOR MEMORANDA ON THE AMENDMENT OF PROCUREMENT ACT 2007. PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY 30TH MAY, 2023, AT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, ABUJA.



L - R: NIHTE Pioneer Chairman, Engr. Dr. Isa Emaabina, FNSE, FNIHTE, the Mukarram and the Immediate Past Chairman, Engr. George Osita Nsonwu, FNSE, FNIHTE during the Public Hearing

Meeting with Senate Committee on Public Procurement Amendment Act, 2007 with stakeholders on the Amendment of the Public Procurement Act, 2007. The Chairman of the Senate Committee on Public Procurement was absent while his deputy who is an Architect by Profession Chaired the meeting. The meeting commenced with Opening Prayer followed by the Remarks of the Chairman of the Committee. A time limit of five (5) minutes was given to each presenter beginning with the DG of Bureau of Public Procurement, who is a Quantity Surveyor. One of the observations he made was that the Built environment encapsulates a whole lot of other areas.

The former DG, Bureau of Public Procurement, Engr. Emeka Eze, FNSE, OFR, in his speech doused anxiety in the air by stating first and foremost that removing the Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE) from the Council of the BPP was not right, he said there is nothing wrong with adding any other professional body, but removing the NSE to replace it with the NIA is not right. He also stated that Public Procurement involves the procurement of goods, works and services therefore the term Built Environment is a fragment of procurement and that it cannot be used to represent the whole. He also stated that the payment of the Consultants should not be dependent upon the performance of the Contractors, explaining that consultancy has its own parameters for measuring work done, if satisfied, the Consultant should be paid what is due to him notwithstanding the performance of the Contractor.

The President of the Nigerian Institute of Architect spoke in support of the Amendment of the Public Procurement Act, 2007, The President of Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE), Engr. Tasiu Sa'ad Gidari-Wudil, FNSE, FNIEEE, in his speech, supported the position of the former DG BPP, Engr. Emeka Eze, FNSE, OFR. He informed the Committee that NSE was not invited formally for this public hearing. Engr. B. T. David FNSE, Ag. ES who represented NICE NC at the hearing spoke against the removal of NSE from the Council of BPP to be replaced with NIA (As stated in the amendment of the Act), he said NSE has twenty-four (24) Institutions, while NIA has only one (1) Institution. In conclusion, he asked, if 24 can be replaced with one (1). Other speakers like the Chairman, Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supplies and the representative of NGO (A Professor) spoke in support of NSE saying NSE is more relevant in the Council of BPP than NIA. He also wondered why the 2007 Act had to be amended in the first place because implementation of the Act is still in process.

The National Chairman of the Nigerian Institution of Highways and Transportation Engineers, ably represented by the Pioneer Chairman, Engr. Dr. Isa Emoabino, FNSE, FNIHTE, the Mukarram, also towed his discussion in the same line with that of the former DG BPP and NSE, by raising an eyebrow at the expunging of the NSE and buttressed the need for the consultant's work assessment and payment to be on stand alone. It all took another dimension when the representatives of NIQS and NIESV pointed out that what is good for the goose is also good for the gander, therefore they too ought to be included in the Council of the BPP.

The Chairman, in his Closing Remarks, promised to liaise with the BPP to come up with an Amended Act that will capture all the observations made during the public hearing. Bets regards!





R - L: NSE President, Engr. Tasiv Sa'ad Gidari-Wudil, FNSE, FNIEEE, His Royalty, Sir, Engr. Otis O. T. Anyaeji, FNSE, FAEng, KtSGG.

# COURTESY VISIT TO NIGER DELTA DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (NDDC) ON WEDNESDAY 14<sup>™</sup> JUNE, 2023













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### INDUSTRIAL VISIT TO JULIUS BERGER NIGERIA PLC AT BODO ON TUESDAY 13™ JUNE, 2023









# INDUSTRIAL VISIT TO JULIUS BERGER NIGERIA PLC AT BODO ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2023









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# COURTESY VISIT TO CONTROLLER OF WORKS, FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, RIVERS STATE ON TUESDAY 13<sup>™</sup> JUNE, 2023















The Nigerian Society of Engineers

announces the

2023 NATIONAL ENGINEERING CONFERENCE **EXHIBITION AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** 

"ABUJA 2023"

#### THEME:

"RE - ENGINEERING THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR FOR COMPETITIVENESS AND **ENHANCED GROWTH"** 

#### DATE:

20th - 24th November, 2023

International Conference Centre, Abuja

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#### PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

#### Opening Ceremony

The Assembly shall be declared open by the Special Guest of Honor: His Excellency, Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, President, Federal Republic of Nigeria

#### **Technical Sessions**

Papers will be presented by distinguished scholars and technocrats.

#### **Engineering Family Forum**

Issues around the practice of engineering during the last one year would be discussed at the forum. A new course for efficient engineering practice will be jointly proposed.

#### **Assembly Dinner**

The Grand Finale of the event, shall be an Assembly Dinner which will feature some thought-provoking dinner talks.

Spouses: N4,000 for the dinner

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Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria

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ENGINEERING ASSEMBLY

Theme:



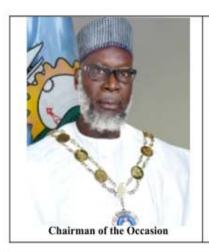
Venue: International Conference Centre (ICC), Abuja Date: Monday 7th - Wednesday 9th August, 2023 Time: 9.00am daily

#### REGISTRATION

| Engineers & Technologists:    | N50,000.00<br>N60,000.00 | Early Sird<br>Late Bird |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Technicians & Craftsmen:      | N30,000.00               |                         |
| Non-Engineering Practitioners | N65,000.00<br>N75,000.00 | Early Bird<br>Late Bird |

Early Bird Registration, on or before 30th June 2023, Late Registration form lst July, 2023

# MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME FOR THE NILE UNIVERSITY'S ENGINEERING STUDENTS





NIHTE National Chairman, Engr. Saidu Hassan, FNSE, FNIHTE, addressing students



R-L: Prof. Abdulhamid Danjuma Mambo, HoD, Civil Engg. Dept., Engr. Nsonwu George, FNSE, FNIHTE, IPC, NIHTE Engr. Saidu Hassan, FNSE, FNIHTE, National Chairman, NIHTE, Engr. Bola Mudashiru, FNSE, FNIHTE, National Sec.



Group photograph with some Nile Lecturers, Students, & NIHTE members.



L-R: Prof. Mambo, HoD, Civil Engg. Dept., making a presentation to Engr. Saidu Hassan, FNSE, FNIHTE, National Chairman, NIHTE,



The NSE representative, Mrs. Bunmi, the head of Professional Development.



Engr. Saidu Hassan, FNSE, FNIHTE, NIHTE National Chairman's Opening Remarks



Engr. Nsonwu George, FNSE, FNIHTE, IPC, NIHTE, addressing the students



Prof. Abdulhamid Danjuma Mambo delivering his Vote of Thanks



NIHTE National Chairman, Engr. Saidu Hassan, FNSE, FNIHTE addressing students



Engr., Prof. Mambo, HoD, Civil Engg. Dept., With Participants



NBRRI rep. addressing students

IS IT CONCEIVABLE THAT ONE ENGINEER OF ANY DISCIPLINE CAN REPRESENT ENGINEERS OF ALL RELEVANT DISCIPLINES IN THE 'BUILT ENVIRONMENT' IN ANY SETTING? REMARKS ON THE BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT ACT, 2007 AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THERETO, 2023 (SB 1073), BEFORE THE BILL AMENDMENT MEETING ON TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2023.

By

His Royalty, Sir, Engr. Otis O. T. Anyaeji, FNSE, FAEng, KtSGG,
Obi Ononwu II n'Okija, Traditional Ruler of Ubahu Okija,
Past President of NSE, Past Vice President of FAEO, Past President of WAFEO.

hose who have since 1957 projected engineering as one discipline, must be very happy receiving Nigerian Institution of Architecture (NIA) as colleague with Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE) in the Council of BPP, in addition to Nigerian Institution of Quantity Surveyors (NIQS), Institution of Purchasing and Supply (IPS), etc. Is it conceivable that one engineer of any discipline can represent engineers of all relevant disciplines in the 'Built Environment' in any setting? In other words at policy, and implementation levels, one engineer can professionally represent Civil, Structural, Geotechnical, Water, Sanitary, Mechanical, Plumbing, VAC&R, Gas, Vertical Transportation, Power Generation, Electrical, Power T&D, Telecommunication, ICT, Lighting, etc. This is to limit

things to what is commonly meant by 'Built Environment'. This excludes industrial & mining facilities where mechanical, industrial, chemical, materials, agricultural, mining, engineers are the indigenes.

Or in mobility, where, automotive, aerospace, marine, locomotive engineers only can select aircrafts, automobiles, marine vessels, locomotive engines, space crafts. The relentless rigidity of some of us at a time when engineers could have got whatever fair deals they demanded from the governance system of Nigeria, has reduced the engineering professions to an utter minority in most economic, infrastructural, environmental, and social fora. And they are not letting go. I am really upset. Things should have been much better than they are.



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- Young Engineers/Students Activities
- Spouses Program
- Technical Sessions
- Annual Chairman's Cocktail
- Annual Dinner
- Industrial Visits
- Cultural Displays
- Election of Executive Officers
- Celebration of Achievers
- Exhibitions
- Fellowship Award and Fellows Night



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