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Interview with Engr. Kalid Shuhail, Council Board Member, Society of Engineers, UAE

Engr. Kalid Shuhail, is a Council Board Member of the Society of Engineers in United Arab Emirates (UAE).

E-Newsletter: *What can you tell us about engineering in the United Arab Emirate?*

Engr. Kalid: We are a non-profit organization working to support and help engineers in United Arab Emirates in various aspects like training. We are looking forward to being the best and we are doing all that we can to raise our engineers up to the best in practice in the world. We are building as every body knows; if you see Dubai or Abu Dhabi, we are building the highest building in the world, the biggest mall in the world and so on. So, we have a lot of things that we are proud of and from the engineering aspect, it is one of its kind so far. Besides, we are building sustainable green cities; that is a one of our main goals. We have one we call Masdar. Masdar is a full city with a lot of institutions, educational institutions, laboratories, development centers, IT departments etc, to ensure that we have by all means a green high-tech city. It is 100% clean energy. We have now a solar city which is called Dubai Solar City which is to generate a lot of electricity. In Abu Dhabi, we have a nuclear plant which is one of the biggest in the region that produces electrical power. Even though we are a petroleum country, we are looking for a cleaner future for our people and generations to come.



Engr. Kalid Shuhail

E-Newsletter: *As engineers, do you have challenges in Dubai?*

Engr. Kalid: Yes, definitely. If you are looking into a new thing challenges are always there. We consider ourselves a new country. We started at the end of 1971 and we are catching up and trying to compete with countries that are already hundreds of years old and we are doing well. That is one of our challenges. The other challenge is that our national people are not so big in population, so to get people and to convince some to go technical and major in engineering is also a major challenge to us but we have full support from our government to meet all these challenges. Do you believe that we had 7.5 million tourists last summer when the temperature was 48°C. We had 95% occupancy in July and August 2013 with the hot weather. So this is a big challenge which we are really fighting and over coming.

E-Newsletter: *What do you have to say about the new generation of engineers in UAE?*

Engr. Kalid: We have a strong foundation for all, not only for engineers but engineers are one of the biggest infrastructures and we have full support. We have institutions and universities that are supported by the government. We have free education, free health care and if you want to continue in education, we have full scholarship for nationals inside and outside the country and that is helping a lot to people.

E-Newsletter: *Thank you sir.*

The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch Executive Committee meeting for February 2014 was held on Thursday 6th February 2014 at Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo secretariat, Port Harcourt. The meeting was chaired by the Branch Chairman Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson MNSE.



World Engineering Conference on Sustainable Infrastructure,
2nd - 7th November 2014, Abuja-Nigeria.
Theme: *Development of Sustainable Infrastructure in Africa*
<http://www.wecsi2014.org>



*The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch
Programme of Activities for Year 2014*

QTR	MONTH	ACTIVITY	DAY/DATE	TIME	VENUE
FIRST QUARTER	JANUARY	General Meeting – Ratification of 2014 Budget/ Committee Composition,/Programme of Activities etc Discussion: Memorandum & Articles of Association of NSE by Engr. Chf. O.O. Oruye, <i>FNSE</i> Presentation: Remote Sensing: Best Practice in Ground Water Hydrology – Engr. Nwadike Jones, <i>MNSE</i>	Thursday 30 th	5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
	FEBRUARY	Retreat: EXCO Members PH/Bonny/Omoku/Yenagoa	Saturday 15 th	10.00am	Branch Secretariat
		General Meeting/Discussion: Memorandum & Articles of Association of NSE by Engr. Dr. A.H. Igoni Technical Evening: Significance of Writing a Will – Barr. Ishmael Blue-Jack	Thursday 27 th	5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
	MARCH	Technical Visit to Port Harcourt Refining Company, Eleme	Thursday 6 th	8.00am	Branch Secretariat
		Seminar for Professional Interview	Tuesday 25 th	9.00am - 5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
		National Workshop on: 3 Day Mandatory Course	Wed 26 th - Fri 28 th	9.00am - 5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
		General Meeting: Discussion- Bye Laws for Branches of NSE by Engr. Fyne Ogolo, <i>FNSE</i> . Technical Evening: Key Consideration in Building Construction Supervision: Structural – Engr. S. Idem	Thursday 27 th	5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
SECOND QUARTER	APRIL	Dinner/Induction of New Members/General Lecture	Saturday 12 th	4.00pm	Branch Secretariat
		Workshop: Design of Erosion Control & Shoreline Protection Systems- Deltec/NSE PH	Tuesday 15 th – Thursday 17 th	10.00am – 5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
		General Meeting: Discussion-Bye Laws for Branches of NSE by Engr. Denis Dania, <i>FNSE</i>	Thursday 24 th	5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
	MAY	O.T.C. In Houston, Texas	Tues 6 th -Fri 9 th	10.00am	U.S.A
		Industrial Visit to UNIPORT	Tuesday 20 th	10.00am	Branch Secretariat
		General Meeting: Discussion- The COREN ACT by Engr. Chf. M.D. Derefaka, <i>FNSE</i>	Thursday 29 th	5.00pm	Branch Secretariat
	JUNE	Technical Visit to AGIP Obi-Obi Gas Facility	Thursday 12 th	8.00am	Branch Secretariat
General Meeting: Discussion- The Bureau for Public Procurement (BPP) Act – Engr. Prof. H.I. Hart, <i>FNSE</i> , Technical Evening: The 21 st Century Engineer & Technical Sales by Engr. Francis Nimieboka, <i>MNSE</i>		Thursday 26 th	5.00pm	Branch Secretariat	

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