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Interview with Engr. Ovens F. Ehimatie on Membership Services

Engr. Ovens Ehimatie, MNSE, is a chartered Civil Engineers. He majored in structures, high way and project management. He is the Head of Membership Services of the Nigerian Society of Engineers.



Engr. Ovens F. Ehimatie

E-Newsletter: *What can you tell us about the membership services of the Nigerian Society of Engineers?*

Engr. Ovens: The membership strength is about thirty thousand members. The active members, that is the ones who attend conference and regularise their payments are about five thousand (plus or minus). We are still trying to see how we can get across to the other larger number. We are having this problem because when some of the members registered years ago, they did not provide their phone numbers nor email addresses. So getting across to these people is a great task. For some members they did not have phone number(s) nor email address and some of them have moved from one location to another. We have strategized, we are trying to see how we can reach out to them at their place of work. We will go out with messages so that we can get them to come and update their records and I think we

have made progress in that direction but that is still not enough. We will keep trying.

E-Newsletter: *Looking at the number of engineering students that graduate from the universities every year, they are expected to register after four years of graduation. How do you get them to come and register with the Nigerian Society of Engineers?*

Engr. Ovens: We have the Inter-University Essay Competition, we have the Young Engineers Forum. The category of people you mentioned, graduates after four years who are yet to be registered need information and some of them do not have the information at the grass root about NSE. With the awareness we have created through the Inter-University Essay Competition and Young Engineers Forum, the issue of four years after graduation and not yet registered will begin to reduce because right from the universities we inform them that this society exist. As they get involved in the competition again and again and as they get involved in the Young Engineers Forum they will know what is expected of them after four years. Our intervention now is to begin to reduce the number of people who we need to bring in after four years of graduation.

E-Newsletter: *Thank you very much sir.*

The Nigerian Institution of Electrical & Electronics Engineers (NIEEE)

1. The 11th Chapter of NIEEE comes up LIVE!

NIEEE Bayelsa Chapter comes up live on Wednesday 30th January 2013 at the Banquet Hall, Bayelsa State Government House, Yenagoa by 4:00pm.

2. The Nigerian Institution of Electrical & Electronics Engineers holds her **12th Distinguished Electrical & Electronics Engineer Annual Lecture (DEEEAL)** in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State.

Theme: Surmounting the Obstacles to the Development of a Sustainable Power System in Nigeria - The Techno-Economic Approach.

Lecturer: Engr. Olice Kemenanabo, FNSE
Special Adviser to Bayelsa Governor on Power

Date: Thursday 31st January, 2013

Venue: Banquet Hall, Bayelsa State Government House, Yenagoa, Bayelsa State

Time: 12 noon prompt.

3. NIEEE National Retreat!

The NIEEE holds her 5th National Retreat from Friday 1st February to Sunday 3rd February 2013 at Yenagoa, Bayelsa State. It is a forum for the National Executive Committee members and all Chapter Chairmen to come together, appraise the actions and activities of the Institution in the previous year, and map out strategies for the new year.



Engr. S. A. Makinde
Chairman, NIEEE

NSE PH Branch General Meeting: January 31, 2013**The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch 'General Meeting'****Date:** Thursday, January 31, 2013**Time:** 5.00pm**Venue:** Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo secretariat, Water Works Yard, #3 Bernard Carr Street, Port Harcourt**Agenda:** Ratification of 2013 Budget, Committee Composition, 2013 Programme of Activities, etc

The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch Executive Committee members in an emergency meeting held on Thursday, 17th January, 2013 at Engr. Y. O Beredugo Hall of Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo secretariat. The meeting was chaired by the Branch Chairman Engr. Denis A. A. Dania, MNSE

**World Engineering Conference (WEC 2014)**
Abuja, Nigeria**Theme:**
Development of Sustainable Infrastructure in Africa**Date:**
2nd-7th November 2014, Abuja, Nigeria**WWW.WEC2014.ORG****ERRATUM**

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