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Interview with Engr. Ilori Babatunde Olugbenga on Engineering Practice

Engr. Ilori Babatunde Olugbenga is a graduate of Mechanical Engineering and the Chairman of The Nigerian Society of Engineers Ibadan Branch. He is a member of the Nigerian Institution of Mechanical Engineers and also a member of the Institute of Cost and Appraisal Engineers, a division of the Nigeria Society of Engineers.



Engr. Ilori Babatunde O.

E-Newsletter: *What can you tell us about engineering practice?*

Engr. Ilori: To me, we have not started the practice of engineering and it is so sad that the government has not woken up to the fact that they should patronize and believe in Nigerian engineers. No nation will grow if they do not patronize their indigenous professionals. Any developing country must patronize her indigenous professionals before they can achieve success.

E-Newsletter: *Do you have any reason why the Nigerians engineers are not patronized?*

Engr. Ilori: It is not that they are not aware. It is the dark envelop (sic) that has covered the whole policy which is corruption that is making the engineers not be patronized.

E-Newsletter: *So how do you think Nigerian engineers can come out of this?*

Engr. Ilori: Well, we should continue to tell them the right thing and the truth anytime we have the opportunity and believing that one day there will be a government that will come and change things.

E-Newsletter: *So what do you have to say about a situation where you have non engineers heading engineering positions?*

Engr. Ilori: That is wrong. It is absolutely wrong and that is why we are not getting it right in this country. As long as we are not putting the engineers in their rightful position, we will always get it wrong.

E-Newsletter: *So what advice do you have for the authorities that take such decisions?*

Engr. Ilori: We will continue to tell the government that they should use the Nigerian engineers in their rightful positions so that they can get the best of us and to give the actual dividend of democracy to the citizens of this country. My advice to Nigerian engineers is that in any opportunity they have, they should know that they are important. Let them voice out, they should talk. We have been talking and we will continue to talk until we are heard. I was talking a group sometime ago and they were asking me questions about what the Nigerian Society of Engineers are doing for them? I told them what the people that started Nigerian Society of Engineers did in the 50s, some fifty years ago the little they did is what we are enjoying now and if we in this generation are not doing anything, the upcoming generation will not forgive us.

E-Newsletter: *Thank you sir.*

Congratulations



Engr. Chris O. Ahiakwo FNSE, has been elevated to the rank of a Professor. He is a lecturer at the Niger Delta University, Wilberforce Island in Bayelsa State. Prof. Ahiakwo, is a Professor of Power System & Renewable Energy. He was a lecturer at the Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt. He is the Vice Chairman of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Omoku Branch.

Engr. Ali Elected As COREN President

Engr. Kashim Abdul Ali FNSE, was elected on Thursday 18th April 2013, as the President of the Council for the Regulations of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN). Engr. Ali is a Past President of the Nigerian Society of Engineers.



NSE PH Branch General Meeting

The Nigerian Society of Engineers
Port Harcourt Branch general meeting:

Date: Thursday 25th April, 2013

Time: 5.00pm

Venue: Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo secre-
tariat, Water Works Yard, No. 3 Ber-
nard Carr Street, Port Harcourt

Inauguration of NSE PH Branch Road Traffic Committee



The Branch Chairman of NSE Port Harcourt Engr. Denis Dania MNSE, inau-
gurated the Road Traffic Committee of the Branch on Tuesday 16th April,
2013. The Chairman of the committee is Engr. M. D. Derefaka FNSE.

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PRESENTS
5 DAYS WORKSHOP
TOPIC:
“SIMPLIFIED APPROACH TO CIVIL ENGINEERING DESIGN”

SCOPE

- | Foundation Design | Design layout and Analysis |
- | Highway sign and Traffic Engineering
- | Estimation Civil Engineering Works | Design of Civil Structure |
- | Introduction to AutoCAD 2D & 3D + Simulations |

Who To Attend: Engineers, Architects, Planners, Consultants, Technicians, Student, etc.

Date: 13th—17th May, 2013

Time: 9.00AM –5.00PM Daily

Venue: Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo Secretariat, Water Works Yard, #3 Bernard Carr Street, Port Harcourt.

Fee: N65,000. Early registration for Students/Graduate NSE members attracts 30% discount.

Note: Fee covers certificate , lecture materials including bag, tea break and lunch.

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