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Interview with Eng. Marwan Abdelhamid, WFEO President

Eng. Marwan Abdelhamid is the President of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO). He is also the President of the General Union of Palestinian Engineers in Palestine. He has served in the World Federation of Engineering Organizations for a long time ago.



Eng. Marwan Abdelhamid
WFEO President

E-Newsletter: *What is your plan for WFEO as the President.*

Eng. Marwan: As President of World Federation of Engineering Organizations, the action plan that I presented to the general assembly contains one very important thing which is; in developing countries I will promote and create engineering associations in countries that do not have engineering associations. The field of my action will be first in Africa, because we still have some countries that do not have engineering organizations. This I think should strengthen the relationship between the developing countries and the undeveloped countries. Also, my action plan is to make a world engineering forum where we can gather and create partnership between companies and the projects. The responsible countries for the projects will meet under the auspices of the WFEO. The WFEO will be the incubator for this kind of work that will enhance the role of the engineering organizations and also enhance the partnership between the pri-

vate and public sectors.

The second thing is that I will like to increase the number of the associate members. This means that the big companies should work with us because we are representing the whole community of engineers all over the world. What we need is for the engineering organizations to play their role in bringing their associate members to the world federations so the goals of the United Nations on sustainable development will be implemented by the world federation in this field.

E-Newsletter: *For the new generation that wants to embrace engineering, what are your plans for them?*

Eng. Marwan: We adopted a plan in the general assembly last January, that will encourage the new generation to become members and be active and WFEO will give them full attention. That was why we created a standing committee that will handle the young engineers, to encourage them and make them participate in all the activities of the world federation.

E-Newsletter: *Thank you sir.*



Some Nigerian engineers during the World Engineers Summit in Singapore



World Engineers Summit (WES) 2013
Innovative and Sustainable Solutions to Climate Change
 9-15 September | Marina Bay Sands, Singapore | www.wes2013.org



The 2013 World Engineers Summit with the theme *“Innovative and Sustainable Solutions to Climate Change”* was held at the Marina Bay Sands Expo & Convention Center in Singapore. The summit began with committees meeting on Monday 9th September 2013 and was formally declared open on Wednesday 11 September 2013. The Nigerian delegation of over 70 engineers led by the President of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Engr. Mustafa Balarabe Shehu, FNSE, also included the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch delegation led by the Branch Chairman Engr. Denis Dania. The Federation of African Engineering Organizations (FAEO) was represented by over 8 African countries. The event ended on Sunday 15 September, 2013.

An election was conducted and Engr. Jorge Spitalnik from Brasil became the President-Elect of WFEO.

Engr. (Chief) Olumuyiwa A. Ajibola FNSE, was appointed the new advisor for Africa on the WFEO advisory panel.

During the summit, the WFEO assembly decided that the next World Engineering Summits will be held as follows:

2014 Nigeria

2015 Japan

2017 Peru

2019 Australia

The Nigeria High Commissioner to Singapore Mrs Nonye B. Rajis-Okpara, MFR, addressed the World Engineering Summit on behalf of the Minister of Works who was to represent the Federal Government of Nigeria.



Eng. Marwan Abdelhamid
WFEO President

During the World Engineering Summit 2013, the following personalities were interviewed by the E-Newsletter team:

1. Mrs Yolanda Kakabadse President WWF
2. Engr. Madiha El Mehelmy Kotb President ASME
3. Engr (Dr) Martin Van Veleen President FAEO
4. Engr. (Prof.) Faborode Executive Secretary Association Nigerian Vice Chancellors
5. Eng. Adel Al-Kharafi Immediate Past President WFEO
6. Engr (Dr) Ayao Tsuge President JapOan Federation of Engineering Societies
7. Engr. Kalid Shuhail Council Board Member Society of Engineers UAE
8. Engr. Francis Happi President Society of Engineers Cameroun
9. Ing. Ben Richard Aniagyei President Ghana Institution of Engineers
10. Er. Tan Seng Chuan Vice President WFEO
11. Engr. (Mrs) Bashayer I. Al-Awwad Chairwoman WIE standing Committee WFEO
12. Eng. Jorge Spitalnik President-elect WFEO
13. Eng. Marwan Abdelhamid President WFEO
14. Engr. Martin Manuhwa Chairman Engineering Council of Zimbabwe/ Chair Anticorruption Committee WFEO
15. Engr. Tai Sik Lee President Korean Federation of Engineering Organizations
16. Engr. Julius M. Riungu Chairman Institution of Engineers of Kenya
17. Engr. Christopher Campbell Chair Capacity Building Committee WFEO
18. Engr. Sam Grossman Chair Energy Committee WFEO
- 19 Engr (Dr) Marlene Kanga National President Engineers Australia
20. Engr. (Prof) J.P. Mohsen Vice Chair Education Committee WFEO
21. Engr. Mustafa B. Shehu FNSE President of NSE
22. Engr. Isaac Olorunfemi FNSE Deputy President of NSE



NSE President Engr. M. B. Shehu FNSE (2nd right) at the summit



Engr. Denis Dania (right) at the summit



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