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Interview with Engr. Engr. Julius M. Riungu, Chairman, Institution of Engineers Kenya.

Engr. Julius M. Riungu, is the Chairman of the Institution of Engineers of Kenya.

E-Newsletter: *What can you tell us about the Kenya Engineering Institution?*

Engr. Julius: We are a growing institution and we have the responsibility of taking care of the welfare of engineers in Kenya. We also address the government of Kenya on matters pertaining to engineering. Our agenda for the next two years is to promote the Young Engineers and the Women in Engineering in the country. These group of engineers for sometime have been feeling left out in our operations. We will do this by encouraging them to be part of our Institution. We will also go to the universities and institutions of higher learning to promote engineering as a profession. In doing this, students before and after graduation will be aware of their role as engineers in the country. We are a developing economy like most African countries are and we have very ambitious program to develop our country. The new ambition known as "Vision 2030" is a programme that the government has put together that will improve the standard of living of Kenyans by the year 2030. Infrastructure has been identified as a key driver of this particular development and that means a lot of engineers will be needed. It is in this spirit that we, the Institution of Engineers of Kenya, want to play a major role in ensuring that we create more engineers. We need about 30,000 engineers from the



Engr. Julius Riungu

current average of about 10,000 engineers and this will require quite an effort to get these resources. We work very closely with the universities, because we want the quality of engineers that graduate from our universities to be of the right quality. In this regard we are involved with the Commission for University Education to determine the programs that are being given in the universities so that they will be relevant in the development of our economy.

E-Newsletter: *You spoke of young engineers and the women engineers, what is in for them in future and are there challenges ahead of them?*

Engr. Julius: There are challenges and we want to build very high capacity engineering. So long as the young engineers feel that they are not part of the engineering fraternity that creates a big challenge for us. So as an institution we want to make them part and parcel of the engineering fraternity for them to understand the role that they need to play. These are people who are going to take over from those who are there at the moment. For the women engineers; some of them tend to go out of the engineering profession because they probably do not feel that they are part of the system. We will bring them in and make a forum for them so that they will be able to discuss among themselves the role that they can play in engineering in the nation.

E-Newsletter: *Thank you sir.*

NSE Port Harcourt Branch General Meeting/Technical Evening held on Thursday 30th January 2014

On Thursday 30th January 2014, the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch held her first General Meeting/ Technical Evening for the year 2014 at Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo secretariat. Presentations were made by Engr. Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE, on Memorandum & Article of Association of the Nigerian Society of Engineers and Engr. Nwadike Jones MNSE, on Remote Sensing: Best Practice in Ground Water Hydrology.

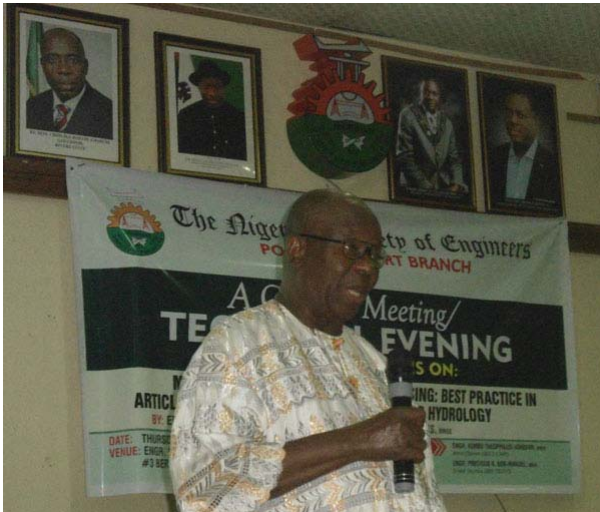
Photo Right: NSE Port Harcourt Branch Chairman Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson (left) chairing the meeting while the General Secretary Engr. Precious Bob-Manuel taking minutes of the meeting.



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



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Engr. Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE, making a presentation on Memorandum & Article of Association of NSE.



Front Row: Engr. Prof. K. D. H. Bob-Manuel (left) and Engr. Chief Awoyesuku Jack (right) during the meeting.



Engr. Nwadike Jones making a presentation on Remote Sensing: Best Practice in Ground Water Hydrology.



L-R: Engr. F. C. Ogolo FNSE, Engr. Faithful Abbiyesuku FNSE and Engr. B. J. Benibo FNSE, reading the minutes of the last meeting.



NSE Port Harcourt Branch Executive Committee members in an emergency meeting that was held on Monday 27th January 2014.



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