



# The Nigerian Society of Engineers

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### Interview with Engr. Abolaji Ogunsanya on ACEN

*Engr. Abolaji Ogunsanya, is the Managing Director of Association for Consulting Engineering in Nigeria (ACEN).*

**E-Newsletter:** *As the Managing Director of ACEN, what is in view in developing the Association for Consulting Engineering in Nigeria and making consulting engineering practice better?*

**Engr. Ogunsanya:** Well at the moment, ACEN has 300 Consulting Engineering Firms as members. As at 2013, ACEN had 200 Engineering Consulting Firms as members but this year the membership has risen by close to 100. We know that there are about 1000 or more engineering firms out there that are not registered with ACEN and they are consulting. Some are registered with COREN while some have not registered with either ACEN or COREN. For now our membership drive is to ensure that we



Engr. Abolaji Ogunsanya

bring everybody under the ACEN umbrella so we can have a common front to fight our main course which is to make sure that the industry works under strict compliance with the law so that our members will be enhanced. We are also going into the oil and gas industry. We have seen that very few of our members are involved in that industry and our latest drive is that we have started by meeting the oil majors and those in authority. We have had seminars and workshops on this and our members have shown interest. We are trying to gather our members together and form partnership or consortium so that we can together enter into the oil and gas industry and do engineering design and even EPC (Engineering Procurement and Construction) projects. Also we want to increase the visibility of the Association so that our members will not need to introduce themselves wherever they go. We are also setting up a foundation which will be launched sometime next year to ensure that students who show interest in Engineering are shown and even attend workshops on consultancy so that they will have a focus from the very beginning.

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

### The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch

#### 2014 Engineering Week

8th - 14th December 2014

#### Opening Ceremony

Monday, 8th December, 2014  
Time: 10.00am

#### Keynote Address

“Sustainable Development in the Niger Delta”  
by

Engr. Prof. Joseph Ajenka, FNSE,  
Vice Chancellor,  
University of Port Harcourt.

#### Venue

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

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The President of the Nigerian Society of Engineers and Chairman in Council, Engr. Ademola Isaac Olorunfemi FNSE (left), presiding over the Nigeria Society of Engineers Council meeting while the Executive Secretary of the Nigerian Society of Engineers, Engr. Ahmed K. Amshi FNSE (right), looks on. The Council meeting was held on Thursday 4th December 2014 at the National Engineering Center (NEC), Central Business District, Abuja.



The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch Chairman Engr. Kombo Theophilus-Johnson, FNSE (right) during the Nigeria Society of Engineers Council meeting that was held on Thursday 4th December 2014 at the National Engineering Center (NEC), Central Business District Abuja.



The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch Executive Committee meeting held on Thursday 4 December, 2014 at NSE Port Harcourt Branch secretariat. The meeting was presided over by the Vice Chairman Engr. Emmanuel Idoniboye MNSE.



**L-R:** Front Row: Engr. B. T. D. George FNSE, Engr. Prof. H. I. Hart FNSE, Engr. Prof. K. D. H. Bob-Manuel FNSE, Engr. F. C. Ogolo FNSE and Engr. Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE, and other members of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch during the Branch General Meeting/Technical Evening that was held on Thursday 27th November 2014 at the Branch secretariat.



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