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### Interview with Engr. Mrs. Nnoli Akpedeye FNSE on Women in Engineering

*Engr. Mrs. Nnoli Akpedeye FNSE, is the President of the Association of Professional Women Engineers of Nigeria (APWEN).*

**E-Newsletter:** *What do you have to say about women in Engineering in Nigeria?*

**Engr. Mrs. Nnoli:** I think women in engineering in Nigeria has come a long way. We are now 32 years old and in the 32 years, we have grown from 6 to 7 dedicated women in engineering to about 3,000 in number. The women in engineering in Nigeria is making massive strides. We are now participating in the various discipline of engineering and we are doing very good in our various fields of endeavour. APWEN is focused on encouraging the girl child to study engineering. From the inception of APWEN in the 1980s, when the average intake of women in engineering was about 6% to 7%, I can say that in recent times it has risen to 11% to 12% and that is still not good enough. We



Engr. Nnoli Akpedeye FNSE

will do everything we can to encourage women to study engineering as well as the women engineers develop themselves, remain in engineering and try to attain the highest height of the profession.

**E-Newsletter:** *What about the young women that are in engineering?*

**Engr. Mrs. Nnoli:** For the young ones that are in engineering, what we do is; we have set up a mentoring scheme so that it will not just be that we look for jobs for them but we also ensure that we help them to develop their engineering skills. Lots of women are leaving the profession because it is a little bit difficult for them to cope due to family and societal pressures and other issues. So what we are trying to do is to help them by developing them technically and coach them to find the right work balance so that they will remain in the profession and build their career to the highest level.

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



# COREN

### Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria

The 23rd COREN Engineering Assembly holds as follows:

**Date:**

18th - 20th, August 2014

**Venue:**

International Conference Centre, Abuja

**Theme:**

"COMMERCIALISING ENGINEERING:  
An Imperative for National Development"



The President of COREN Engr. Kashim A. Ali FNSE (in white clothe) signing an MoU with ICPC.



**World Engineering Conference on Sustainable Infrastructure,**  
2nd - 7th November 2014, Abuja-Nigeria.

**Theme:** *Development of Sustainable Infrastructure in Africa*  
<http://www.wecsi2014.org>





The Marine Division Port Harcourt Chapter of the Nigerian Society of Engineers meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2014 at the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch secretariat.  
 Photo: Engr. Commodore J. C. Orji (rt), Engr. Prof. K. D. H. Bob-Manuel FNSE (middle).



Institute of Appraisers & Cost Engineers (IACE) Port Harcourt Chapter meeting held on Wednesday 14 May 2014 at the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch secretariat. The meeting was chaired by Engr. Richard Ogona MNSE.



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