



THE ACEK NEWSLETTER

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ACEK Gala Dinner 2023 | Team Building and Road Safety Webinar

Chairman's Note



Dear Members,

Welcome to ACEK's Monthly Newsletter for the month of October 2023, giving you a roundup of ACEK's activities and events that the Association and its Committees have recently engaged in during the month and any other upcoming events.

*Eng. Patrick S. Wambulwa,
ACEK Chairman*

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The 2023 ACEK Annual Gala Dinner



ACEK ANNUAL
**GALA
DINNER**
2023

Theme: Financial Management

CHIEF GUEST

Patrick Kariuki

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THE 2023 ACEK ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Stakeholders gathered in Eldoret for the 2nd Annual Association of Consulting Engineers Conference that was held from 16th to 18th October 2023 to deliberate on the theme "Engineering Food Security". Key among the players at the three-day conference held coincidentally on World Food Day (16th October 2023) included government officials, regional bodies, private sector company presidents and CEOs, directors, managers and their teams, development partners, donor agencies and financiers, contractors, consulting firms, engineering associations, technology companies, academia, media, among others.



The opening ceremony included remarks from the ACEK Council, ACEK's Chairman - Eng. Patrick Wambulwa, the Honorary Secretary - Eng. Jane Mutulili and the Future Leaders Chairman - John Robert Ogalo, the IEK President - Eng Eric Ohaga, the EBK chairman ably represented by Dr. Eng. Johnston Matu. The opening ceremony included keynote addresses by Dr. Paul Kiprono Rono - Principal Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, State Department for Crop Development represented by Eng. Richard Kanui, the Engineering Secretary and Eng. Joseph Mungai Mbugua - Principal Secretary, Ministry of Roads and Transport, State Department of Roads represented by Eng. James M. Kung'u, Chief Engineer (Roads) in the State Department of Infrastructure.



The 2023 ACEK Conference was officially opened by His Excellency, Hon Jonathan Chelilim Bii, the Governor, County Government of Uasin Gishu who underlined the need for Kenya to move towards high tech agriculture, for individuals to apply outstanding solutions in food security and pointed out opportunities for engineers in initiatives such as affordable housing, Eldoret's proposed railway city, increased connectivity for farmers through improved infrastructure. These he highlighted as the low hanging fruits for engineers to take up as Eldoret town gears up for city status.



The 2023 ACEK Conference also included plenary sessions. Eng. Philemon Kandie, the Director General Kenya Rural Roads Authority made a presentation on the efforts KeRRA is making towards accessibility and the challenges faced with a recommendation to have roads constructed with food security in mind. During the plenary session, Eng. Charles Muasya addressed the delegates on a case study of Galana-Kulalu Project highlighting some of the challenges it has faced. Dr. Marion Amuriot representing the Managing Commissioner Kenya Meat Commission highlighted how the institution aligns with food security. Victor Ogalo representing the CEO of KEPSA addressed the critical role of the private sector in addressing food security whereas FIDIC's Vice Chairperson, Eng. James N. Mwangi, brought out the focus of mainstreaming climate change in project designs.



The second plenary session on the first day included keynote addresses by Hon Gulleid Simba, the North-Eastern Development Initiative (NEDI) National Coordinator, giving an insight on the role played by the multibillion-dollar initiative that focuses on transformative and integrated infrastructure for sustainable livelihoods in the North and North-Eastern marginalized communities. Eng. Dick Ndiewo gave an overview of the Africa Continental Free Trade Area Agreement (AfCFTA) its objectives, governance structure and opportunities for engineers in food security. Robert Materei touched on Kenya National Investment Authority and the available bankable projects available, Erastus Makena addressed delegates on the Role of Innovation and Technology and Alice Chepng'eno from Kenya Cooperative Creameries discussed the operations of KCC.



The day also included technical paper presentations tackling the subthemes of infrastructure, roads, transport, and rural housing; Irrigation and Water Resources; Manufacturing and Agro Industries.





The evening culminated in a colorful cocktail session providing a networking opportunity among the delegates, sponsors, and the exhibitors.



The Registrar and CEO, Engineers Board of Kenya – Eng. Margaret Ogai touched on the Journey to the Washington Accord, the Graduate Engineers Internship Program and Continuous Professional Development on the 3rd Plenary Session on 17th October 2023. She emphasized the need for personal ownership when engineers design and supervise projects. She underscored how EBK is dealing with professional negligence. Also in the session was Prof. Wilson Ngétich, the Deputy Vice Chancellor - University of Eldoret giving an overview of the University, challenges the institution is facing and some of the solutions to current issues that the university can be tasked with tackling





Technical papers presented on 17th October were under the subtheme; Machinery, Energy, Mechanization, Economics and Finance; Environment, Climate Change and Urban Agriculture; Education, Research, Practice and Emerging Technologies with keynote addresses from Eng. Okova Wangaki representing the General Manager - Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation (REREC), Moses Kachumo representing the General Manager - Geothermal Development Company (GDC) and Michael Cherutich, the General Manager - Tea Machinery and Engineering Company (TEMEC).



The 2023 ACEK Conference was officially closed by H.E. Hon Kenneth Lusaka who was ably represented by the Deputy Governor, County Government of Bungoma, Janepher Chemtai Mbatiany on 17th October 2023



2023 ANNUAL ACEK CONFERENCE COCKTAIL

The ACEK Conference Cocktail took place on the evening of October 16th, providing attendees with a well-deserved break from their busy day of conference activities. The cocktail event was a splendid affair, where professionals from various fields came together to unwind and connect with like-minded individuals. The evening commenced with a warm welcome from the ACEK organizing committee and council members, who expressed their gratitude to all attendees, sponsors, and speakers for making the conference a resounding success.



One of the primary goals of the ACEK Conference Cocktail was to foster meaningful connections among participants. Attendees had the opportunity to network with peers, industry leaders, and keynote speakers, making it an invaluable part of the conference experience. The relaxed and convivial atmosphere allowed for organic conversations and the exchange of ideas, which often led to new collaborations and partnerships.



The conference cocktail also included a partner's promotion segment where sponsors from SBS Tanks, KSB Pumps and Valves, Wilo EA, TEMEC, Davis and Shirtliff, Isuzu EA addressed the attendees



2023 ANNUAL ACEK CONFERENCE DINNER



The climax of the 2023 ACEK conference was the Gala Dinner held on 17th October 2023 at Sirikwa hotel. The dinner was not just a social event but gave a platform for celebrating ACEK's community's accomplishments. The

attendees were treated to a spectacular evening that set a reminder of the power of collaboration, shared goals, and the determination to make a difference.



The culinary experience at Sirikwa Hotel did not disappoint. Attendees were treated to a delectable assortment of Kenyan dishes and international cuisine, showcasing the country's rich culinary traditions. From mouthwatering Nyama Choma to fragrant pilau, the food

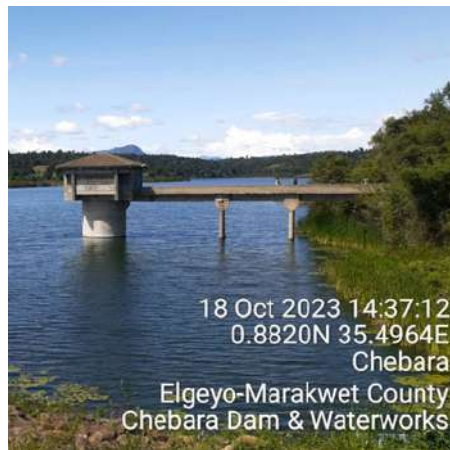
options satisfied a wide range of palates. The diverse array of dishes was not only a feast for the taste buds but also an excellent opportunity to savour the local flavours of Kenya. Sirikwa hotel's staff outdid themselves.



On the backdrop of entertainment provided by Hyperlink limited, attendees were treated to a celebration of music

across the ages and culture, further enriching the event and making it indelible.

EXPLORING INNOVATIONS: TECHNICAL TOURS DURING THE 2023 ANNUAL ACEK CONFERENCE



The Association of Consulting Engineers Kenya (ACEK) organized technical tours on the 3rd day of the Conference offering attendees a unique opportunity to explore the conference theme from a hands-on perspective. Conference delegates were given the opportunity to step out of the conference venue and get a glimpse of cutting-edge technology and research, offering them an immersive experience that left a lasting impression.

Technical tours organized included visits to Chebut Tea Factory in Kapsabet, the new KCC in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County Agricultural Machinery Centre, Unga Millers in Eldoret, Buffalo Millers/Kili Farms, Votalia Kenya Solar Power Plant and North Rift Water Works Development Authority sites including: Chebara Dam, and Water Treatment Works; Boundary Wastewater Works and Kipkaren Dam and Water Treatment Works.

HEARTWARMING CSR TO UASIN GISHU COUNTY CHILDREN RESCUE CENTRE



The Association of Consulting Engineers Kenya (ACEK) conference would be remembered for thought provoking discussions and insights. However, the conference included a remarkable and heartwarming Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity. In a beautiful display of community engagement, the ACEK Council and members volunteered to visit the Uasin Gishu County Children's rescue center creating an unforgettable experience for both the attendees and children many of whom sparked a new passion for engineering.





FUTURE LEADERS CHAPTER

ASSOCIATION OF CONSULTING ENGINEERS (ACEK) FUTURE LEADERS AT THE 2023 ACEK CONFERENCE IN ELDORET

ACEK Future Leaders had a notable presence at the 2023 ACEK Conference held at Sirikwa Hotel in Eldoret from 16th to 18th October 2023. The young professionals who represent the future of the industry came together to learn, engage, and shape their path in the consulting engineering industry. Ably led by the current ACEK Future Leaders chair, other notable attendees included Eng. Barbara Adhoch (ACEK-FL Vice Chair), John Jairo (ACEK-FL Hon Secretary), Eng. LaToya K. Ouna (Former ACEK-FL Chair), Eng. Kennedy Kiunga (Former ACEK-FL Chair), Eng. Francis M. Kibaara (Immediate ACEK-FL Past Chair), Eng. Yvette Olende (FL Member and ACEK Committee Member), Eng. Nathan Yego (ACEK-FL Past Treasurer), Eng. Kenneth Amollo (FL Member and ACEK Committee Member), Ms Sarah Akoth, Eng. Mike Ogola (FL Member and ACEK FL Sub Committee Member), Ms Fay Noella, Ms Ivy Getanda (ACEK FL Member and ACEK Committee Member) who took on various roles to ensure the conference was a success.



In addition, the young professionals were involved in the conference through paper presentations. Submissions at the conference include presentations by Isaac O. Were, Eng. Rosanna M. Clinton, Eng Yvette Olende, John Jairo and Eng. LaToya K. Ouna.

A pivotal moment at the 2023 ACEK Conference for the Future Leaders was a plenary session for the ACEK FL Committee. The plenary session moderated by Eng. Barbara Adhoch and Eng. Yvette Olende included Eng. Kennedy Kiunga, Eng. LaToya K. Ouna, Eng. Kenneth Amollo and John Robert Ogalo as panelists. The session was a vibrant discussion around the role of ACEK Future Leaders in food security, the history and future of the ACEK Future Leaders Chapter, opportunities for young engineers, efforts by young engineers to educational programs, capacity building efforts to equip the workforce and the role of emerging technologies.





Association of Consulting
Engineers of Kenya
Future Leaders

WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE -KENYA-

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Tension of Road Safety and Mobility:
Speed Management



ANGELA FULLER- DAPAAH
TRL-UK



ENG. NANCY ABIRA
TRL-UK



LINDA MASIBO
TRL-UK

MONDAY, 20th Nov. 2023
Time: 1600 hours EAT (1300 hours BST)

Join Zoom Meeting

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4. Eng. Vane Momanyi, PE - Treasurer

BENEFITS OF ACEK MEMBERSHIP

ACEK offers the following numerous benefits and keeps its members abreast important issues and trends in the sector.

1. Advocacy

ACEK works in close liaison with the government, institutions and other industry bodies to lobby contractual and legislative issues affecting the consulting engineering fraternity.

2. Networking & Collaborative Learning

ACEK is a member of FIDIC Africa and FIDIC and participates in their activities. It also organizes events through the year, that attract both national and international delegates, offering a platform for members to network and collaborate.

3. Business Support to Members

ACEK identifies and shares business opportunities

with its members. It also has access to the database of regional and international consulting firms. It is also a member of Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA).

4. Capacity Building

ACEK has well-coordinated local and international industry specific training that members enjoy at discounted rates.

5. Membership to FIDIC & FIDIC Africa

By ACEK being a member of FIDIC and FIDIC Africa, all its members automatically become members of these international organizations.

6. Public and Private Sector Support

ACEK acts as a public watchdog on engineering issues and acts as an interface between the public and consulting engineers.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP

- ACEK Members profess to possess the relevant qualifications, expertise and facilities to offer the highest quality of service in their engineering disciplines of expertise while adhering to the highest ethical and professional standards.
- To join ACEK,
 - Must be registered with the Engineers Board of Kenya (EBK) in the category of Consulting Engineer.
 - Must be a Corporate Member of the Institution of Engineers of Kenya (IEK)
 - Must be currently practicing engineering, as a Partner, Director or Sole Proprietor in a legal entity under the jurisdiction of Kenya.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ACEK FUTURE LEADERS MEMBERSHIP

Duly complete and submit the registration process provided in the link below

- Must be a graduate or professional engineer below the age of 40.
- Fill in the registration form provided in the link below:
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- Upon confirmation of registration, pay a membership fee of Ksh 1,500.
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NOTICES

ELECTION OF ENG. NATHANIEL MATALANGA, CE, FIEK, OGW TO THE WORLD FEDERATION OF ENGINEERING ORGANIZATIONS

The Association of Consulting Engineers of Kenya (ACEK) congratulates the Institution of Engineers of Kenya (IEK)'s immediate past president, Eng. Nathaniel Matalanga, on his election to the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO) as a National Member of the Executive Council. The significant role continues to showcase his commitment to placing engineering in Kenya at the international level. We are confident that in his new role, passion and expertise, Eng. Matalanga will serve with distinction and serve as a source of inspiration to all of us in Kenya and on the international stage.



*Thank
You*



To All Participants,

The ACEK Council highly appreciate the
invaluable time you spent with
us during the

2ND ACEK CONFERENCE

at

Sirikwa Hotel

Edoret, Uasin Gishu County

16th - 18th October 2023



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