

# Identification of Engineering Work Steering Committee (IDoEW-SC)

## Background:

In terms of section 26.(2) of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000 (Act 46/2000) the ECSA Council *"must submit recommendations to the Council for the Built Environment (CBE) regarding the work identified in terms of section 18.(1) of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000 for its consideration and identification in terms of section 20 of the Council for the Built Environment Act, 2000 (Act 43/2000)."*

To this end the ECSA Council established an Identification of Engineering Work Steering Committee (IDoEW-SC) which held its first planning meeting on 11 November 2004 and its inaugural meeting on 16 February 2005. A consultative Reference Group of the IDoEW-SC was also subsequently established. The objective of establishing the Reference Group was to enable interested parties to follow progress and to contribute on a non-attendance basis to the development of the project.

The Committee consists of representatives from the different disciplines and registration categories as well as individuals representing interest groups. The members of the committee are enthusiastic and engage actively and constructively in the debate regarding this very critical issue. The committee initially spent time drafting its own "Terms-of-Reference" and formulated a "Game Plan" for its future activities.

## Process:

The Committee focused on relevant contributions and submissions received from various Associations and Organisations. The main conclusion reached was that a competency-based approach should be followed, using the work of ECSA's Engineering Standards Generating Body (ESGB) as a point of departure, i.e. all-encompassing definition of 'engineering work' which distinguishes it from non-engineering work, as well as "range statements" (level descriptors) which relate to the competency profiles for the known categories of registration.

Further work was also done to expand the Project Plan – especially for the committee to agree with the desired outcomes (both short and long term), which include, inter alia, the following critical milestones:

- Ratification of Draft 6 of the Baseline Report to Council;
- Action Plan/Programme to complete the Framework document to Council by November 2005.
- Preparation of a draft Consultation Strategy for the IDoEW;
- Finalisation of Framework documents; and
- Meeting schedule until the end of November 2005.



## Deliverables:

Deliverable 6:	<p><b>Framework for the Identification of Work for persons Registered in terms of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000 - Final</b> (Word File)          (Approved by ECSA Council on 24 November 2005) <a href="#">(Click here for pdf version)</a></p>	24 November 2005
Deliverable 5:	<p><b>Framework for the Identification of Work for persons Registered in terms of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000</b> (Word File)  <a href="#">(Click here for pdf version)</a></p> <p>Please forward comments/suggestions by not later than <u>28 October 2005</u> to <a href="mailto:siyazi@tekomsa.net">siyazi@tekomsa.net</a>.</p>	14 September 2005
Deliverable 4:	<p><b>Final Baseline Report</b> (Word File) <a href="#">(Click here for pdf version)</a></p>	14 August 2005
Deliverable 3:	<p><b>Framework for the Identification of Work for persons Registered in terms of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000</b> (Word File)          (Work in progress) <a href="#">(Click here for pdf version)</a></p>	Draft, 11 August 2005
Deliverable 2:	<p><b>No. 2 - Final Baseline Report</b> (Word File) <a href="#">(Click here for pdf version)</a></p>	14 August 2005
Deliverable 1:	<p><b>First Interim Report on Identification of Engineering Work</b> (Word File) <a href="#">(Click here for pdf version)</a></p>	Draft 4, 19 May 2005