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NEWS IN BRIEF

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

SACLAP has gazetted five documents:

- i. Procedure for Nomination of New Council Members
- ii. Application Form to Register as a Candidate
- iii. Professional Code of Conduct
- iv. Investigation of Charge of Improper Conduct
- v. Annual Professional Fees for 2012

A PDF copy of the Gazette is attached for ease of reference.

Please note that SACLAP has identified an error in the Nomination Document where reference is made to the Engineering Profession in the following paragraphs:

2(a)

5.4.2 ii

Annexure C second bullet point

Please note that this should read Landscape Architectural Profession. SACLAP apologises for the error and will correct it in publishing the final document.

Please note that the comment period has been extended due to all the public holidays. Please forward all to the Registrar no later than the 4th of May 2012.

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION ISSUES

The annual examinations were held on the 3rd of March 2012. SACLAP would like to thank the examiners and the invigilators for offering up their time. The results will be made available after the June Council meeting at which the marks will be ratified.

The **annual invoicing** of the professional registration fees will take place on 1 April 2012. Please note all the timeframes and conditions attached to the invoice regarding payment which is to be made within 60 days from the date of the invoice. Should you not be able to make full payment within 60 days, please inform the Registrar in writing within 30 days of receiving the invoice, stating the payment terms that you can commit to?

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE MATTERS - CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

SACLAP has amended the policy as far as possible. Volunteers are requested to assist in the allocation of points to the various new activities for which CPD points can be accumulated. Please contact Bernadette Vollmer by email (registrar@saclap.org.za) if you are willing to assist.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Please note that the recommended professional hourly rates were Gazetted last year and have been replaced by this years notice. A copy thereof is on the website. New fees were not be Gazetted for 2012 as a fee determination process is to be undertaken by SACLAP as previously communicated.

Registered persons are requested to **please participate** in this process of fee determination by volunteering to serve on a working group that is to work through the CBE framework in order to ensure that the landscape architectural fees are determined in an appropriate manner. Please contact Bernadette Vollmer by email (registrar@saclap.org.za) if you are willing to assist.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The accreditation of the landscape architecture programmes at the University of Pretoria will take place on 29 and 30 March 2012 and the University of Cape Town on 18 and 19 April 2012. The Committee would like to thank the panel members for their time and commitment to this task and the implementation of the revised accreditation process. The panel's assessment results will made available towards the middle of the year.

COUNCIL MATTERS

Fatima Rawjee, one of the State Representatives has resigned. SACLAP, through the Registrar, is working with the Department of Public Works to replace her.

SACLAP would like to bring to the attention of all registered professionals and candidates that the term of office of the current Council ends in September 2013. Six registered persons of which at least **four** must be actively practicing in the landscape architectural profession are required for appointment to the new Council. In December 2012, SACLAP will call for nominations for the new Council in order to ensure that the process for appointing a new Council is completed timeously.

PLEASE CONTACT THE REGISTRAR SHOULD YOU FEEL COUNCIL CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE TO YOU.

REGARDS

HENDRIK VAN DER HOVEN
PRESIDENT OF SACLAP