

SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSION

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Dear registered professionals and candidates,

With the year racing ahead and the World Cup Soccer only days away, we bring you the latest update.

CONTINUTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

For those of you who have submitted your CPD points – well done!

For those who have not.... Please take note

Council has to remind you that you are to submit your CPD points by the end of May 2010. Please allocate all your points that you have accumulated to date. The form to be used can be found on the SACLAP website (www:saclap.org.za). A list of accredited activities can be found on the ILASA website (www:ilasa.co.za). Should you believe you have undertaken any other activity that could earn you CPD points please include it in your submission.

Please note that **failure** to submit your points **will result** in the registered professional being suspended from the list of registered professionals. Penalties will also be payable to revert back from your "suspended" status. Should you not meet the request of the submission of the CPD points you will ultimately be **de-registered** and have to go through the registration process again! Please comply with the CPD requirement as it is a **legal requirement** to retain your professional registration.

NEWS IN BRIEF

REGISTRATION ISSUES

In March 2010 the professional exams were written or registration by upgrading. Council would like to congratulate the following individuals on becoming registered professionals:

Professional Landscape architects:

Ankia Bormans, Cara Holm, Jacques Hugo, Tiaan Laker, Jason Turner and Byron Douglas

Professional Landscape Technologists:

Nanja van Rooy and Abbigail El Mohamadi

SACLAP REGISTRAR

After due consideration and deliberation, SACLAP has decided to appoint Bernadette Vollmer as Registrar from 1 June 2010. Council would like to thank Johan Barnard for his hard work and dedication over the past few years in fulfilling this important role as well as many years of service to the profession. With Bernadette at the helm of administration Council trusts that an improved functioning and service to the registered professionals will be achieved.

COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO THANK BERNADETTE FOR HER SERVICES AS A COUNCIL MEMBER AND WISH HER THE BEST IN HER VERY IMPORTANT NEW POSITION.

COUNCIL MATTERS

With the appointment of Bernadette Vollmer as Registrar, a vacancy has resulted on Council. The nominations previously received from ILASA (as voluntary association) were scrutinized and a replacement recommendation made, from the list to the Minister of Public Works. As soon as the Minister announces the new appointment Council will inform the profession.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Please note that the finance committee recommended, and Council accepted the recommendation that there <u>not</u> be an increase in the hourly professional rates charged by landscape architectural professionals this year.

CBE NOMINATIONS

SACLAP provided nominations to the Council for the Built Environment (CBE) for the appointment of their new Council. To date no official announcement has been made regarding the composition of the new CBE Council. Council will inform you of the new CBE Council as soon as it has been appointed.

IDENTIFICATION OF WORK DOCUMENT

SACLAP has received comments from the CBE on the final draft document that was submitted towards the end of last year. The amendments are in the process of being made. The amended draft will be circulated for comment shortly. In parallel to the amendment process, the regulations are also being drafted and will be published for comment in the government gazette.

Please feel free contact Council should you feel we can be of assistance to you.

Regards

Hendrik van der Hoven President of Council