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Interview with Engr. Mustafa B. Shehu FNSE, President of NSE

Engr. Mustafa Balarabe Shehu, FNSE, is the President of the Nigerian Society of Engineers.

E-Newsletter: Sir, what can you say about the WES 2013 that was held in Singapore?

Engr. Shehu: Well, about the just concluded conference of the World Engineering Summit in Singapore, I will say it is a very huge success for the Nigerian engineers in the sense that we went in large numbers and we Engr. M. B. Shehu FNSE were able to advertise our program coming up in 2014. From the re-



NSE President

sponses we had from people from all over the world, we are very hopeful and optimistic that we are going to record huge attendance at our conference. Also, the participation is expected to be over whelming in the sense that people from all over the world have expressed their willingness to make paper presentations at our conference. So it was a very good and successful outreach as far as the Nigerian Society of Engineers is concerned.

E-Newsletter: A re there lessons or ideas you have gotten from the way the conference was conducted in Singapore?

Engr. Shehu: Certainly, we have seen a lot of things. We have learnt a lot of lessons. We made sure that the chairman of the organizing committee and all the sub-committee chairmen for the upcoming event participated in this conference. So each subcommittee chairmen have made its own observations as far as the expectations of his/her committee is concerned. A lot of lessons have been learnt and they have also seen the expectations of people from the host country. For any country hosting a conference there are lots of expectations from such country. Singaporeans

have done their best and I believe Nigerians will do much better.

E-Newsletter: *How will the participation in Nigerian be in* terms of attendance?

Engr. Shehu: Certainly, the participation will be massive. We have networked with engineers all over the world especially those of us from Africa. The African engineering institutions that were represented at the conference in Singapore, have agreed on a very strong collaboration. Though it is going to be hosted in Nigeria, it is certainly an African conference. The willingness of those African engineering institutions is very high, so the participation we are expecting will be very high, not only from our engineers from Africa but from engineers all over the world.

E-Newsletter: *Will Nigeria and Africa at large benefit from* organizing this conference in its continent?

Engr. Shehu: Surely, Africa and Nigeria in particular will benefit. Before this conference, there has been some skepticism as to the ability for an African country to host a program like this. Now with our level of preparedness, if we successfully host this program, the confidence from people all over the world would have on Africa and Nigeria will be greater. By hosting the event, it will really impact positively on our economy and also in the trade volume coming into Nigeria and the willingness for people to come into our country to invest in the development of infrastructure in Africa and Nigeria in particular.

E-Newsletter: Thank you sir.



The new Executive Council of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations on Sunday 15th September 2013 in Singapore.

Shell Petroleum Development Company Donates Towards NSE Port Harcourt Branch Nigerian Content Workshop

On Thursday 19th September 2013, the Shell Petroleum Development Company (SPDC) made a donation towards the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch **Nigerian Content Workshop** that will be held on Tues-



SPDC Central Engineering Manager Engr. Okee Elechi (right) making the donation on behalf of SPDC and the NSE Port Harcourt Branch Chairman Engr. Denis Dania (left) receiving the donation on behalf of the Branch.



Left—Right: Engr. Denis Dania (NSE PH Branch Chairman), Engr. Innocent Chigbu (SPDC), Engr. Godiam Ehirim (SPDC), Engr. Okee Elechi (Central Engineering Manager SPDC) and Engr. Goodluck Ikenyiri (NSE PH Branch Engineering Week Committee Chairman) in a brief sesSEPTEMBER 21, 2013

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NSE PH Branch EXCO meeting held on Thursday 5th September 2013 at the Branch secretariat. The meeting was chaired by the Vice Chairman of the Branch Engr. Kombo Johnson MNSE (left).

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