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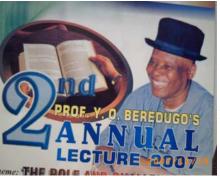
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NICE - P.H HELD ENGR. PROF. Y.O. BEREDUGO'S ANNAUL LECTURE.



During the week, the Nigerian Institution of Civil Engineers (NICE) Port Harcourt branch held their annual lecture in honour and celebration of an icon of Civil Engineering profession, Engr. Prof. Y. O. Beredugo (FNSE). This year's annual lecture, which has as its theme, "The Role and Challenges of Engineers in the Niger Delta", was held on the 15th November, 2007, at the Main Banquet Hall of the Hotel Presidential, Port Harcourt. The occasion had in attendance prominent personalities which included among others Engr. Prof & Mrs. Youpeple .O. Beredugo (FNSE), Engr. Beniah Ojum (FNSE) the Executive Director of Projects of Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) and the Guest Lecturer, Engr. Dr. S. O. Amachree.

WHO IS ENGR. PROF. YOUPELE ORKALAMA BEREDUGO

Engr. Professor Youpele Orkalama Beredugo (FNSE), was born on the 5th day of July, at Okpoama, Kaiko/ Ibeawo Develoment Area of Brass Local Government area. He is married and blessed with five children.

He is a member of the following professional bodies:

Fellow - Nigerian Society of Engineers Member- Nigerian Geotechnical Association Member- Institution of Civil Engineers Member- Academy of Engineering

He attended and obtained the following educational qualification;



1953-1955	University College Ibadan	B.sc (Inter) London
1955-1958	Queen's University, Belfast Northern Ireland	B.sc (Civil Engr)
1958-1959	International Course in hydraulic Engineering	Diploma in Hydraulic
	Technological University, Delft, Netherlands	Engineering, Dip. H.E
1959-1962	Queen's University, Belfast, Northern Ireland	M. sc (Civil Engr)
1969-1971	University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario	Ph. D. (Civil Engr)

NSE' 2008 ANNUAL ENGINEERING WEEK IN PERSPECTIVE

Nigerian Society of Engineers, Port Harcourt Branch organized an engineering week loaded with several technical activities. Some of the key events included but not limited to the following:

OPENING CEREMONY: ENGR. DR. AMACHREE ADVOCATES SUSTAIN-ABLE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In a keynote address at the opening ceremony of the 2008 Engineering Week of Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch, Engr. Dr. Amachree, the Managing Director/ CEO of Sigma Tech Nig. Ltd, advocated the need for synergy between

Government, Educational Institutions and Business world for a sustainable national development. In a well researched paper, he made a case for increase in professional developmentof indigenous engineers to enhance capacity building for a sustainable national development. He also advised for a close collaboration of multidisciplinary professional bodies with patriotic objective of developing Rivers State and the nation at large.

TECHINCAL EVENING: This event took place on 15/11/2007 where three technically innovative papers were presented. The occasion was chaired by Engr. B. J. Benibo (FNSE) the NSE Port Harcourt Branch Chairman and ably supported by Engr. Beniah Ojum (FNSE), Executive Director of Projects NDDC, Engr. George Okoye (MNSE), the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Point Engineering Ltd Port Harcourt was unavoidably absent, however his erudite paper titled Challenges of Human Capacity Building in Engineering

was beautifully presented by Engr. Kenneth Okanigbe (MNSE) the General Manager Engineering Services — Point Engineering Ltd. He advocated the need for more investment in human and professional development in the areas of current innovational technological development. He questioned why Nigeria should be backward when it has all it takes for technological breakthrough. Engr. Celestne Ahme (MNSE), the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Kojaco Industrial Engineering Services Ltd, Port Harcourt, in a paper titled "Human Capacity"

Building the role of the organized private sector", emphasized the importance of reinvigorating the SIWES (Supervised Industrial Works Experience Scheme) programme of the universities. He decried the high rate at which companies and organized private sectors decline to admit students on Industrial Attachments, and noted that this does not augur well for a sustainable human capac-

able human capacity building. He sued for urgent restoration of the good old glory days



of the SIWES Programme. This he said would bridge the gap between the University and the Industry.

ANNUAL DINNER/INDUCTION & FNSE INVESTITURE CELEBRATION

As part of the events to round up the week long programme, a dinner was organized on 17/11/2007 at the Royal Banquet Hall of Presidential Hotel, Port Harcourt. To kick-start the activities lined up for this event, Engr. B. J. Benibo (FNSE) delivered a lecture in which he gave a vivid definition and description of the Engineering Resource in relation to human Capacity development. In view of its importance, NSE Port Harcourt branch has embarked on construction of an Engineering Resource Centre (ERC), which is acomplex structure, described as a centre of excellence in engineering and human development initiative. This complex he stated



provides the structure and programme for human capabilities. He opined among numerous objectives, that the Engineering Resource Centre is a centre for Nigerian Content Development, training and retraining of Engineers, manpower development for the oil and gas industry, documentation of modern technological innovations and many other benefits. Engr. Benibo explained that the physical structure of the ERC Project shall comprise Resource Building, permanent secretariat, multipurpose hall, auditorium, restaurant and chalet, parking and landscaping, gate, generator house and operational methods. He estimated the project to cost about N500million. The centre, which he assured shall be self sustaining, is aptly synonymous to human capacity building.

Over eighty candidates were inducted as new corporate members of the Nigerian Society of Engineers. Administering oath of allegiance on them on behalf of the NSE National President, Engr. Emeka Moma Eze (FNSE), the Branch Chairman, Engr. Benibo (FNSE) admonished the new members

to be committed to the course of the society ad sued for sustenance of the growth of the Nigerian engineers. Two new fellows were celebrated. Engr. Emmanuel Okonkwo (FNSE), who was recently conferred and Engr. Ted Ene (FNSE) who would be conferred by the National President on 6th December, 2007 at the International Annual General Meeting of NSE in Abuja. It was a great event as the profiles of these two personalities were read out to the highly crowded and elated audience. Their professional experiences, achievements and unalloyed commitment to the Nigerian Society of Engineers were success factors indicative that their fellowship conferment was well deserved.

Engr. Theodore Nwamala Ene (FNSE), SPDC Manager, Bonny Terminal Integrated Project (BTIP - a massive project designed for the integrity improvement and expansion of the African Premier Oil and Gas Terminal located in Bonny), was born on 1st day of January, 1952. He had eight distinctions in the core subjects of sciences in WAEC examination and in 1976 obtained a second class upper division in Mechanical Engineering from the foremost University of Nigeria Nsukka. He holds a masters degree in Business Administration (MBA) with over 60% average score from the University of Lagos. He was admitted as a corporate member of NSE in 1986, and was enrolled as a member of COREN in 1988. These outstanding and excellent professional performances were climaxed with the highest award and honour of the Fellow of Nigerian Society of Engineers (FNSE) in 2007. Engr Ted, Ene (FNSE) is married to Barr. (Mrs.) Florence Ene and their union was blessed with four brilliant and lovable children. He is a noble Knight of ST. John of the Anglican Communion.

Engr. Emmanuel Okonkwo (FNSE), General Manager, Agip Energy and Natural Resources (in charge of Agip Energy offshore activities in Agbara, Okono and Okproho fields), was born on the 1st day of July, 1948 in Enugu State. He obtained his WASC in 1965 from Government College Umuahia and a B.Sc in Civil Engineering in June, 1975. He became a corporate member of NSE in 1992 and was registered as a Civil Engineer by COREN. He is married with Children.

The Engineering week also featured other critical events such as career talks in selected secondary schools, which was held on 20/11/2007. Six secondary schools including Holy Rosary Girls Secondary School & Government Girls Secondary School Rumueme among others within Port Harcourt and environs were visited.

The Rasaria, a rehabilitation home for abandoned children and adults managed by the Roman Catholic Daughters' of Charity Sisters were visited on 21/11/2007 with Food items and cash donation. There was also a technical visit to the 150MW Omoku Gas Turbine of the Rivers State Government. Many engineers took part in this event, which was led by the Branch Chairman, Engr. B. J. Benibo (FNSE). The team was conducted round the entire facilities by Engr. Amachree.

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The Nigerian Society of Engineers Nationwide is set to celebrate its 50th anniversary with fun fare. All the branches of the NSE throughout the Federation would be group into zones for the formation of zonal committees. The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch has set up a committee to co-ordinate and collaborate in the society. All engineers are enjoined to forward their

COREN

The Council for the Regulation of Engineering (Practice) in Nigeria (COREN) Port Harcourt Zone has resumed full activities @ its new zonal office at Maintenance/ FERMA Yard located at plot 41, Birabi Street, opposite Hotel Presidential, G. R. A., Phase II,

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