



COUNCIL RETAINS PRESIDENT, TREASURER

At its first meeting after the AGM of November 2008, the incumbent president, Engr Bayo Adeola, and the Hon Treasurer, Engr Tunde Ogunde were returned to serve for another year.

APPOINTS NEW VICE PRESIDENT:

Engr Kabir Umar retired from Council and thereby stepped down as vice president. A new vice president was elected in the person of Engr Nurudeen A Rafindadi. Engr Rafindadi runs the firm of Afri-Projects Consortium based in Abuja. The firm is best known for the works on the PTF projects in the late 1990s.



Engr N. A. Rafindadi

COOPTS NEW MEMBERS INTO COUNCIL

In order to meet the shortfall in Council membership by the retirement of eight members and election of five, new members were co-opted. They are immediate past vice president, Kabir Umar and an immediate past council member, Dapo Abe, both for continuity. Obi Daramola from Ibadan, and Emeda Sibeudu from Enugu for geographical representation. Our erstwhile former ES and volunteer secretary was also co-opted for continuity

APPOINTS NEW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

A new Executive Secretary was approved by Council and has since resumed work. He is Mr. Babatunde Amode who holds B. Sc. degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Master of Business Administration, both from the University of Lagos.



Mr. Tunde Amode

ENDORSES TRAINING, STANDARDS & LOBBYING AS POLICY THRUST

In adopting training, ACEN seeks to fill the competence gap in the industry and be recognised as a training organisation. The scope of training will cover Technical, Business and Contracts areas of consulting engineering practice.

In adopting Standards, the Council seeks to bring respect and recognition to member firms by ensuring that all members of ACEN meet a set of quality criteria and thereby deliver quality projects. These would include continuous professional development of staff, infrastructures and organisation.

In return, the association will use all its resources to lobby government and all stakeholders in the industry to promote the interest of members

See List of Advertised Projects on Pages 3-4

ACEN PLANS INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP IN ABUJA

ACEN in collaboration with the International Federation of Consulting Engineers - FIDIC is bringing local and international facilitators to an International workshop on infrastructure.

Workshop Themes:

- Contract Administration
- Water Resources Management
- Waste Management
- Transportation.

Date::

**Tuesday 28th - Thursday 30th
April, 2009**

Venue:

Sheraton Hotel, Abuja

Expected participants include consulting engineers, technical clients, professionals in the built industry, federal and state governments, local governments officials, private sector and the general public.

All members are requested to mark these dates in their calendar and send staff to the workshop in large numbers..They should also help advertise the workshop to their clients

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REVIEWS ARTICLES & MEMO

In order to align the policy and practice of our association with our Articles and Memorandum of Association, a major overhaul of the document was necessary. Drafts of the new documents were reviewed intensely by the Executive Committee and the Council. The major issues addressed include

- Change in membership from individual to firm
- Change in number of members to more than 50
- Mandatory responsibilities of Officers of Council Council Members, Delegates and Member firms
- Tenures of President and Vice President.

The draft will soon be circulated to members for comments and presented at EGM for ratification.

APPROVES 2008 CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

The theme of the 2008 Annual Conference was the Safe Design and Supervision of High Rise Buildings. At the end of the conference, a communiqué was prepared. This has been reviewed and approved by Council for publication. The major recommendations are as follows:

Recommendation 1; The Conference strongly recommends the appointment of competent and knowledgeable and experienced private sector professionals or academicians as commissioners and advisers in strictly professional disciplines.

Recommendation 2: The conference considered three options for the review and approval of designs of high rise buildings as follows:

- The government could establish an agency for the review, approval of designs and supervision of high rise buildings and recruit experienced engineers to manage the operation (e.g., NCC, LASACO which are professional agencies set up by government)
- The government could outsource the review and approval of designs to private consultants who would review and approve on behalf of government
- The government could leave the responsibility for engineering design to professional firms and the client.

In return, the professional firms must be duly registered by the State and Professional Regulatory Agencies. In addition. Both the client and the professional firms must possess professional indemnity to carry liabilities in the event of failure.

Recommendation 3:

- The conference is of the opinion that the spate of collapse of buildings in Nigeria can be significantly attributed to poor regulation of the construction industry.
- It therefore recommends that COREN should properly articulate a strategy for regulation of the industry and ensure enforcement.
- COREN should provide a mandatory seat for ACEN on its Council

Recommendation 4

Until ACEN is given a mandatory seat by COREN, NSE should live up to its pledge and nominate an ACEN member into COREN Council

Recommendation 5

ACEN should capture into its fold, all consulting firms in the country to ensure standards as well as develop and build capacity of the industry.

GAMA 2009 CONFERENCE HOLDS IN DURBAN

Venue

Elangeni Hotel Durban, South Africa

Date:

15th - 18th March 2009.

Conference Theme

“MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS - ARE THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS READY?”

Members who wish to attend should contact Kola at the ACEN Secretariat on 08033490492 or 01-7748910 for visa processing.

Members are also encouraged to make presentations at the Conference.

ON-GOING MATTERS

F A O Phillips Resource Centre: Plans are on for the implementation of Council approval for the establishment of this resource centre. The scope of work has been defined and quotations obtained from vendors. The estimated cost is approximately ₦5.0 million.

We again appeal to members to donate generously towards this course.

30 Years of ACEN: Work is also at an advanced stage on the history of ACEN. The chapters written by members have been compiled and are being edited. A script writer has been appointed and the story

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(Project 1)

THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

**NIGER BASIN WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
AND SUSTAINABLE ECOSYSTEMS MANAGEMENT
PROJECT**

**CONSULTANCY FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR
GEOTECHNICAL STUDIES AND ENGINEERING DE-
SIGN FOR THE REHABILITATION OF**

**JEBBA HYDROELECTRIC POWER PLANT SPILL-
WAY STILLING BASIN AND AUXILIARY DAM NO.3**

IDA Credit No. 4348-UNI

EOI No. CS-J10

Association (IDA) of the World Bank for the Niger Basin Water Resources Development and Sustainable Ecosystem Management (WRD-SEM) Project which is a regional program. Power Holding Company of Nigeria (PHCN) that is the National Implementation Agency (NIA) for Nigeria intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments for Consultancy Services for Technical Assistance for the Geotechnical Studies and Engineering Design of Works for the Rehabilitation of the Spillway Stilling Basin and Auxiliary Dam No. 3 of Jebba Hydroelectric Power Plant.

Expressions of Interest

The Federal Government of Nigeria has received a credit from the International Development. The scope of the services required from the Consultant for this assignment includes but not limited to the following:

- (i). Conduct geotechnical investigation/studies in the eroded areas of the spillway stilling basin to design the piles that will support the foundations of the retaining walls to be built in the eroded areas of the spillway stilling basin.
- (ii). Design the concrete retaining walls and protections in the necessary areas of the spillway stilling basin and tailrace.
- (iii). Conduct geotechnical investigation/studies to determine the cause of the excessive discharge in the Drainage hole No. 53 in the Auxiliary Dam No. 3, and design a remedial measure to curtail the excessive discharge.
- (iv). Prepare a comprehensive technical specification suitable for the World Bank Standard Bidding Document for the Procurement of Works for the construction and remedial works based on the above engineering designs.

The Power Holding Company of Nigeria (PHCN) now invites eligible Consultant to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested Consultants must provide information and documentations indicating that they are qualified to perform the services including experience in similar assignments.

The Consultant shall provide experienced personnel to carry out the assignment with the following minimum experience:

(A) A Civil Engineer with at least a Bsc. Degree and 15 years (combined) relevant experience in planning, design, construction, operation/maintenance and rehabilitation of civil struc-

tures of Hydroelectric Power Plants. He must have prepared technical specifications/bidding documents for the rehabilitation of at least two hydroelectric dams in the last ten years.

(b) Geologist or Geo-Technical Engineer who shall have a minimum of Bsc. Degree and 10 years (combined) relevant experience in the planning and design of Geotechnical studies for the construction, operation/maintenance and rehabilitation of civil structures of Hydroelectric Power Plants.

c) A team of skilled and experienced experts of the Consultant that has equipment to do in-situ tests obtain necessary samples and a laboratory where to conduct relevant tests on the samples. Where the Consultant does not have the necessary equipment/laboratory/team to carry out in-situ tests, obtain samples and test the samples, the Consultant can sub-let sampling and tests to a specialist geotechnical sub-contractor. The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, (May 2004).

The estimated duration of the assignment is about seven (7) calendar months and the number of man-months of consulting services needed for the assignment is estimated at 15 (fifteen) man-months".

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the addresses below:

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Attention: Manager Project Management Unit
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Expression of interest must be delivered to the address (1) above by 24th February, 2009

Project Reference
The Guardian, Monday January 12, 2009.

Members Feedback & Suggestions? Please send to ACEN Secretariat at:
3, Akintoye Street, Yaba (Off Herbert Macaulay) Telephone: 4726807, 7748910 E-mail: info@acen.org.ng

(Project 2)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST NIGERIA

**Kano State Education Sector Project (SESP)
KANO STATE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SMoE),
KANO**

**Credit No: 4295 UNI
REOI No: KN/SESP/INFR/EOI/09/1
Date of issuance January 27, 2009**

Expression of Interest for Construction Management Consultancy

The Federal Government of Nigeria has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kano State Education Sector Project (SESP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultancy services. The services shall be Construction Management Supervision.

Kano State Education Sector Project now invites eligible Consulting Firms to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested Consulting Firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services required (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff etc).

Preamble

The Consultant shall provide comprehensive construction supervision services to the SESP. Project Support Unit (PSU), Kano State Ministry of Education (Employer) to ensure that the Construction of Classroom blocks, Laboratories,

Libraries, provision of Boreholes and other facilities for Primary and JS Schools in nine targeted LGAs of Kano State being (Civil works) supported by the State Education Sector Project (SESP) financed by the World Bank in Kano are completed by the civil works contractors in a satisfactory, timely and cost-effective manner, and in strict compliance with the construction drawings, technical specifications, required standards and condition of contract between the Employer and the Contractors for the execution of the works. The scope of the services under this TOR covers the upgrading and expansion of 45 primary and junior secondary schools in 9 LGEAs in Kano.

These services under the Assignment shall include assistance to the Employer in the following:

- (a). Comprehensive day-to-day on-site supervision, quality, time and cost control of the works, including periodic measurement of completed works.
- (b). Coordination with the A & E Design Consultants for timely preparation of necessary amendments to the construction drawings/documents, and issuance to the Contractor(s) upon the Employer's approval. These responsibilities include:
- (c). Preparation of periodic reports to the Employer on

the progress of the Works and status of building construction costs. These responsibilities include:
(d). Preparation of a Certificate as to the completion and full operational status of the Works for purposes of final acceptance by the Employer. These responsibilities include:

REQUIREMENTS OF THE CONSULTANT:

The Consultant will generally be an engineering consulting firm legally registered with Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) and the Council for Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) to conduct comprehensive construction management, technical supervision of the execution of construction/works contracts, including quantity surveying and measurement of works. The Consulting firm shall have not less than 5 years experience in the field.

The Consulting firm should have the following staff, with the minimum qualifications described below, who will be assigned full time to undertake the assignment.

Principal Consultant

O should have a university degree in civil engineering or architecture

O should be licensed to practice the profession in Nigeria

O should have at least 15 years experience in the field of management of large construction contracts, materials management, construction personnel management.

Senior Site Supervisors

O should have a university degree in civil engineering or architecture

O should be licensed to practice the profession in Nigeria

O should have at least 10 years experience in the field of construction contracts, materials and personnel management and supervision.

The Consultant should specify the areas of expertise of in their proposal the number of Senior Site Supervisors they propose to engage on the Project. These must include one Quantity Surveyor, one Civil Engineer and one Water Engineer.

Site Supervisors General Foremen/Master Driller

O should have a minimum of OND, City & Guilds or Trade Tests in the relevant field of engineering

O should have at least 7 years experience in construction and supervision or works contracts.

The project now calls for expressions of interest from qualified firms. The submission should include proof of civil and professional status, evidence of work undertaken, CVs of all senior proposed staff, and company brochure (if any).

COMPETENCIES

- (1) A-5 Years experience in Construction industry
- (2) Registration with CAC
- (3) 3 Year audited accounts, Cash flow capability
- (4) Evidence of similar assignment in the last 5years
- (5) Technical personnel to carry out these assignments

- (i) Principal Consultant
- (ii) Site Supervisors Civil, Water Engineer & Quantity Surveyor
- (6) Experience in Locality

EOI Evaluation Criteria

Company
Registration
Legal Status CAC
Professional status COREN or equivalent

Relevant Experience
Number of Contracts
Value of Contracts
Minimum 5 Years Experience
Financial Capacity
3 years Audited Account
Bank References

Staff

Principal Consultant
Academic Qualifications
Professional Qualifications
Years of Experience

Quantity Survey
Academic Qualifications
Professional Qualifications
Years of Experience

Civil Engineer
Academic Qualifications
Professional Qualifications
Years of Experience

Water Engineer
Academic Qualifications
Professional Qualifications
Years of Experience

Site Supervisor
Trade Certificates
Years of Experience

Master Driller
Trade Certificates
Years of Experience

The firms will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's (Guidelines

on "Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers" (May 2004 revised October 2006 edition).

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 9.00am through 4.00pm on Mondays to Thursdays and 9.00am through 1.00pm on Fridays.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below for the attention:

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The deadline for the submission of EOI is Monday, February 16, 2009 at 11.00am

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