

### WFEO SYMPOSIUM



United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Celebrating 50 years of Engineering Leadership

# 06. WFEO and the International Engineering Alliance,

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# Engineering Capacity Building Education in the IEA

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### **Human Capacity Building**

Infrastructure Capacity Building

## Focus on Sustainable Development Goals



**Quality Education** 

Partnership for the Goals

Good Jobs and Economic Growth



# Strong Relationship: Economic Growth Infrastructure Development and the Number. of Science and Engineering Graduates

### The Constraints / Issues



- No. of Graduates in Engineering
  - Several Countries have a low number of Graduates
  - Sub-Saharan Africa (1 Engineer to 6000 persons vs countries that have 1 Engineer to 200 – 800 persons)
  - Some Countries have Surplus / and deficiencies in certain area of Specialisation
- Inconsistent Quality Standards of Graduates Around the World
- Lack of Regulatory Intuitional Capacity to Regulate the Engineering Profession
- Lack of Acceptance for Mobility

#### **INVESTIGATE and CREATE SOLOUTION**



#### CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT THEMATIC PIPELINE

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Educ	cati	on

Higher Education Institutions

Young Professionals

Professional / Expert/ Management

**Career Marketing** 

Expo / Awards

Institutional Development

**Bursary Promotion** 

Identification of Potential Candidates Support to Primary

Education

Learner Care Function

Industry Tertiary
Support

Academic Development

**Awards** 

**YP Care Function** 

**YP Development** 

**Awards** 

Professional Care Function

Programme Development

Networking for Professionals

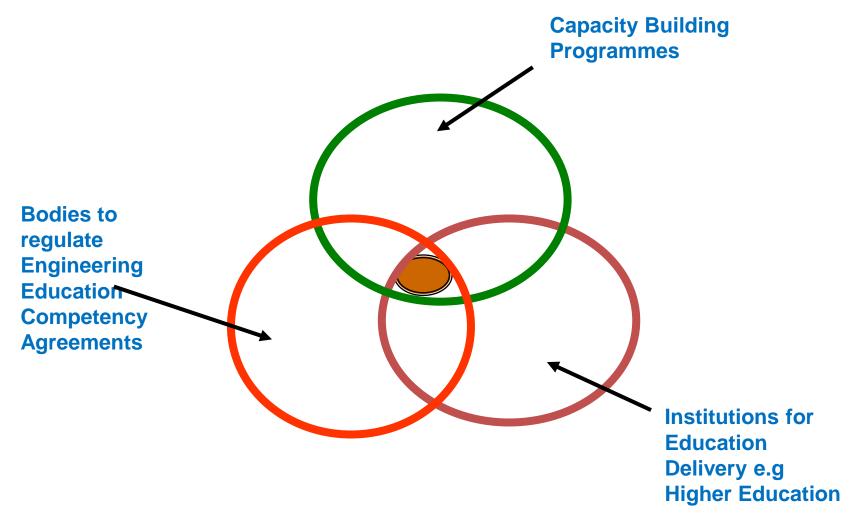
**Awards** 

### **Investigate and Create Solutions**



- State of Educational Institutions
- Industry University Integration
- Regulatory Institutions for Learning
- Critical Mass and Throughput
- Gap between Higher and Primary Education
- Gap between Higher Education and Industry
- Surplus / Shortage in Specialisation areas





# WFEO Plays a Role to Bring Partners Together to address Common Goals



- ICEE
- UNESCO
- IFEES
- GEDC
- WFEO STCs
- IEA

### INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING ALLIANCE



### "WORKING TOGETHER TO ADVANCE EDUCATIONAL QUALITY AND ENHANCE GLOBAL MOBILITY WITHIN THE ENGINEERING PROFESSION."

"The International Engineering Alliance (IEA) is a global not-forprofit organisation, which comprises members from 36 jurisdictions within 27 countries, across seven international agreements. These international agreements govern the recognition of engineering educational qualifications and professional competence.

Through the Educational Accords and Competence Agreements members of the International Engineering Alliance establish and enforce internationally bench-marked standards for engineering education and expected competence for engineering practice."

# Educational Accords and Competence Agreements (Cont'd)

### **Three (3) Educational Accords**

### **Washington Accord**

• Engineers

#### **Sydney Accord**

 Engineering Technologists

#### **Dublin Accord**

 Engineering Technicians

### Four (4) Competence Recognition/Mobility Agreements

#### International Professional Engineers Agreement

Professional Engineers

#### Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation

- Professional Engineers
- Regional Agreement

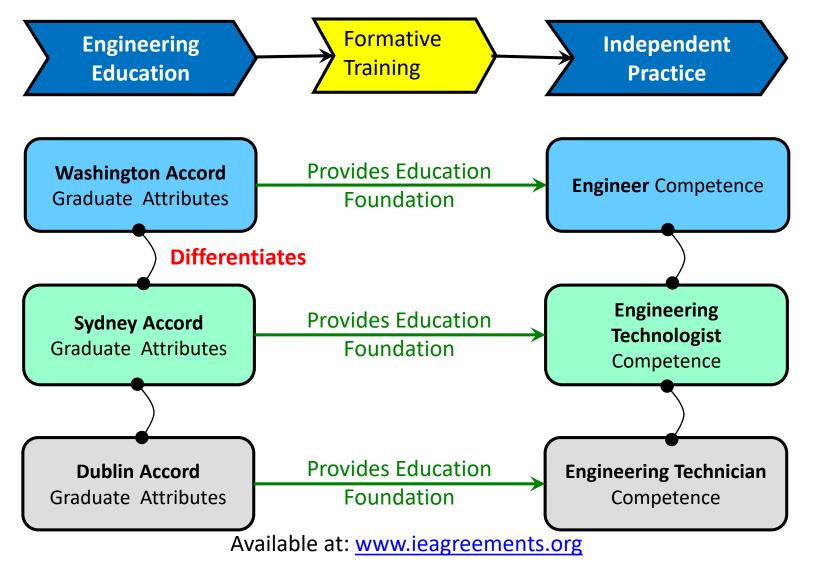
International Engineering Technologists Agreement

• International Engineering Technologists

Agreement for International Technicians Agreement

 International Engineering Technicians

# **Graduates Attributes and Professional Competencies**



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# Intent for Countries: To be signatories of the International Accords, Competency Recognition and Mobility Agreements

### WFEO IEA Agreements WFEO Operating Committee

- WFEO and IEA seek to collaborate and promote accreditation and competence assessment and to build the capacity of national bodies around the world to the point where they can join the Accords and the Agreements.
- WFEO and the IEA agree that the purpose of this agreement is to raise the competence of engineers around the world to ensure the ethical practice of engineering without corruption by:
- raising awareness of the importance of accreditation of engineering qualifications and competence assessment to global standards;
- building political and financial commitment for the development of national engineering accreditation and competence assessment bodies;
- building the capacity of national accreditation and competence assessment agencies and underlying facilities, so that those agencies can be mentored to achieve best global practice by the IEA/WFEO and their members;
- building the capacity of national accreditation and competence assessment bodies to the point where they can join the Accords and Agreements as provisional and eventually full members; and
- seeking partners and resources that will enable the achievement of these aims globally.

### The Need for Systematic Resourcing for Capacity Building in Education



- WFEO, National, and International Partners
- Convergence of Interest
- Optimisation of Resources

### WFEO Capacity Building Projects in Africa

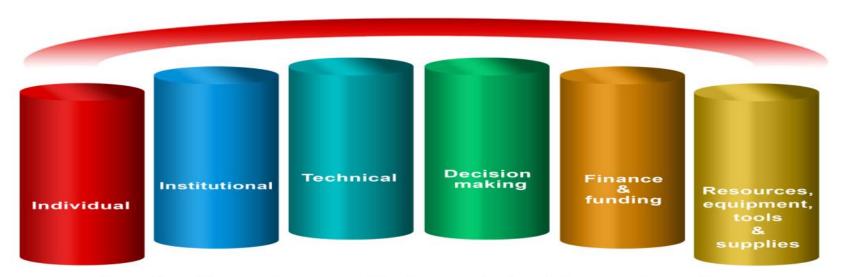


- Compendium
- Africa Catalyst
- Mobilising the Engineering Initiative



### THE COMPENDIUM

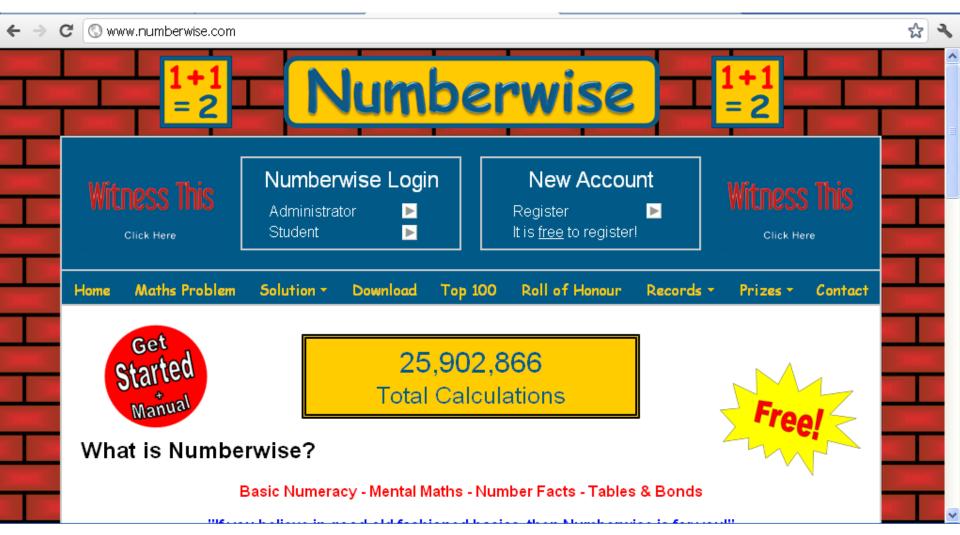
- Repository for All Efforts
- Developed the Guidebook for International Use



the six pillars of capacity for sustainable engineering



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### The Africa Catalyst



- Building engineering capacity by improving engineering education at all levels and enabling degree courses to meet recognised international standards.
- Supporting the development of **professional engineering institutions** that can effectively support the profession and promote professionalism.
- Supporting the Federation of African Engineering Organizations (FAEO) established in 2012 in its leadership role across the continent.
- Strengthening the evidence base, for example through developing UNESCOs work mapping engineering capacity in Africa.

### Concept to Mobilizing the UNESCO Engineering Initiative



WFEO co-ordinated a strategy through creating a platform called the UNESCO Africa Engineering Week to assist the Profession to gain support from Governments, Industry, and Society to Develop Engineering Capacity. Below are the outputs achieved

- 1) The profession has leveraged on this to create a platform where Engineers across the Continent come together debate and agree on Technical matters, which further strengthened Institutional Capacity
- 2) Mobilised the Profession to participate in influencing policy and restructuring themselves to develop the profession
- 3) Created the environment to address the Public and Society on Engineering Matters, and participate in attracting more learners to take up the profession of Engineering

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#### **Further Outputs Achieved**

FAEO managed to leverage the platform which gave birth to the Africa Engineering Conference

The participation of the Profession improved significantly and the profession for the first time has been invited to participate in Ministerial Congregations which also took place at the African Union level at the All Ministers meeting

Mobilised support by State Presidents and Ministerial support to Engineering which has been an output of this initiative (There have been many firsts in this regards where addresses where given at high political levels.

Created the environment to improve inclusivity within the Profession – Gender and Equity

Several Projects have been generated out of these platforms and the main events are managed by the International Member FAEO – for Sustainability

### Relevance of Educational Outcomes and Impact of Technology on Educational Pedagogy and Delivery (STC on Education, Capacity Building)



- Skills Required of the New Age Engineering Professional
  - Beyond Technical Competence
  - Multidisciplinary Teams
  - Social and Environmental Context Intercultural Competence
  - Entrepreneurship and Business Skills
  - Inter-Cultural Competence
- System of Longevity of Qualifications
  - Continuous Professional Development (Aligned)

(Half of what Engineers learn in their first year of studies outdated by end of the programme?)

# **Education Delivery: The Impact of Technology Pros**



Enabler

Flexibility: Working Professionals / Increase Access

Cost efficiencies

Learning effectiveness

# **Education Delivery: The Impact of Technology Cons**



### Screen usage:

Grey matter Shrinkage,

Poor Cognitive Performance,

Attention deficiencies,

Metabolic syndrome: processing emotions, mortality risks

**Environment** 

# Responsible Education Systems: Legalities in Education



Responsible Education Systems

Responsible Educators

Ethical Leadership in Engineering Education

### **Thank You**



I would like to Congratulate and take this moment to Celebrate the successes in this 50<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration

I would also like to recognise and celebrate all members, partners, and leaders that have led to the building the Engineering Profession, and would like to take this opportunity to congratulate WFEO on this 50<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration which has brought together National members and Leaders from all over the World to Work together to achieve the common goals of Humanity.



### **African Proverb**

If you want to go FAST Go Alone, If you want to go FAR, Go Together

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### Thank You