



THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL
for the
QUANTITY SURVEYING PROFESSION
DIE SUID-AFRIKAANSE RAAD vir die BOUREKENAARSPROFESSIE

Established in terms of the Quantity Surveying Profession Act 2000 (Act 49 of 2000)
Ingestel ingevolge die Wet op die Bourekenaarsprofessie 2000 (Wet 49 van 2000)

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 2004/2005:

1. GENERAL

The purpose of this section of the Annual Report of the CBE is to provide the Minister of Public Works with a summary of the activities of the Councils for the Built Environment Professions that fall within the mandate of the CBE.

These Councils are the following:

- South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession (SACQSP)
- South African Council for the Architectural Profession (SACAP)
- South African Council for the Landscape Architectural Profession (SALAP)
- Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA)
- South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP)
- South African Council for the Property Valuers Profession (SACPVP).

In terms of section 4(v) of the Council for the Built Environment Act, 2000, the CBE is obliged to submit a summary of the annual reports of the Councils for the respective professions. The particular section reads as follows:

“receive and assimilate the annual reports of the councils for the professions and submit a summary to the Minister;”

In compliance with this requirement, the CBE requested all the Councils to prepare annual reports to provide the Minister with an overview of the activities of the respective Councils. In addition, each of the Councils is also obliged to submit their audited financial statements for the period under review and these are included in Annexures to this annual report.

The annual report and audited financial statement, with annexures, that follow are from the South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Professions (SACQSP).

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2. SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR THE QUANTITY SURVEYING PROFESSION (SACQSP)

2.1 LEGISLATIVE BACKGROUND

The Quantity Surveying profession has benefited from a governing institution in one form or another since 1905. The Association of South African Quantity Surveyors was formed in 1971 with the proclamation of Act 36 of 1970. This legislation, with amendments, governed the profession up until the establishment of the South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession (SACQSP) in terms of the Quantity Surveying Profession Act (Act 49 of 2000), which was promulgated on 26 November 2000 and commenced on 26 January 2001.

2.2 VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS

Vision

To facilitate world class professional practice in Quantity Surveying.

Mission

Continuous evaluation and enhancement of internationally acclaimed standards of education, performance and ethics which supports integrated development and public protection.

2.3 COUNCIL MEMEBERSHIP (First term 2001/2005)

The Minister called for nominations and appointed the first members of the Council for the first 4-year term from 2001/2005. Its first meeting in terms of the new legislation took place in August 2001. The Council consisted of 17 members and was led by its President, Mr. RL Chauke, and Vice-President, Mr A Varachhia. The other members of the Council (in alphabetical order) were Ms B Africa, Mr M Grant, Mr JN Jansen Van Vuuren, Mr MP Kgole, Ms A Krüger, Mr M Laatoe, Prof GK Le Roux, Prof RN Nkado, Mr H Ntene, Mr FF Ntumbu, Mr FJ Pretorius, Mr BW Probert, Ms NC Van der Hoven, Mr J Van Jaarsveld and Prof JJP Verster.

2.4 COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP (Second term 2005/2009)

The first term of the Council expired during August 2005 and nominations were called for the new appointments on the Council for the second term of 2005/2009. After nominations were called for in terms of sections 4(1) to (7) of the Quantity Surveying Professions Act (49 of 2000), the recommendations made to the Minister of Public Works have been approved and ratified. The Council members (in alphabetical order) for the second term 2005/2009 will therefore be the following persons:

Prof PA Bowen, Mr GT Chaane, Mr RL Chauke, Mr M Grant, Mr MP Kgole, Prof NJ Maritz, Ms KM Mogodi, Ms JS Moodley, Mr MN Mteza, Prof RM Nkado, Ms G Pasley, Prof RG Pearl, Ms I Pieterse, Mr FJ Pretorius, Ms NC van den Hooven, Mr HB van der Kolf and Prof JJP Verster.

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The first full Council meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday 4 October 2005, at which meeting the executive positions of President and Vice President will be filled for the period 2005/2009.

2.6 Institutional Arrangements

The organisation is managed by its Registrar, Mr EF Wortmann, and nine other personnel members responsible for office administration, registration, programmes and finances. The personnel and infrastructure are shared between the SACQSP and the Association of South African Quantity Surveyors (ASAQS).

The Council holds two full Council meetings and approximately six Executive Committee meetings per year. Over and above the Executive Committee there are eight other committees in place to achieve compliance with all regulatory requirements and these are:

- Education and Standards Committee
- Professional Fees Committee
- Finance and Resources Committee
- Professional Disciplinary Committee
- Legal and Legislative Committee
- Registration Committee
- Empowerment Committee
- Public Relations Committee

2.7 REGISTERED PERSONS

As at 28 August 2005, the Council had a total of 2 351 registered persons, made up as follows:

• Professional Quantity Surveyors (PrQS)	1 750
• Candidate Quantity Surveyors (Candidate QS)	<u>601</u>
• <u>Total</u>	<u>2 351</u>

2.8 REGISTRATION CATEGORIES

In terms of the above, the Council had since its inception elected to limit the total number of registration categories to only one professional PrQS category. This was the situation for the entire period under review. The decision has however recently been taken that a tiered level of registration process will be introduced during the second term of the Council.

The introduction of the tiered level of registration categories will be linked to the completion of the work currently being undertaken by the Quantity Surveying Standards Generating Body (QS SGB). The QS SGB is currently writing and preparing unit standards and whole qualifications for the Quantity Surveying profession where the outcomes will be in line with the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) levels 4 to 7.

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When this process has been completed and approved by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA), the tiered level of registration will be introduced.

The proposed registration categories will be as follows:

- Reg QS Assistant (NQF level 4)
- Reg QS Technician (NQF level 5)
- Reg QS Technologist (NQF level 6)
- Candidate QS (NQF level 7)
- Professional QS (PrQS) (NQF level 7)

It is anticipated that these new registration categories will be introduced by no later than mid-year 2006.

2.9 IDENTIFICATION OF WORK

The Identification of Work document of the Quantity Surveying profession was presented to the CBE during 2002 and has formed the basis of the single registration category to date (refer annexure No 1 attached).

With the advent of the proposed tiered level of registration categories as detailed above, it will be necessary to re-define the necessary competencies at each of these categories. Again, this can only be done once the QS SGB has completed its work, the NQF levels 4 to 7 have been approved by SAQA and the tiered levels of registration introduced. We are hopeful that this process will be completed by no later than mid-year 2006.

2.10 RECOMMENDED TARIFF OF FEES 2005

The Council has published the Tariff of Professional Fees 2005 for the Quantity Surveying profession which was gazetted during January 2005. In the preparation of the recommended tariff of fees, wide consultation was conducted with the voluntary associations and other interest groups such as the Association of South African Quantity Surveyors (ASAQS), the South African Property Owners Association (SAPOA), SABBACO and the Department of Public Works (DPW).

2.11 EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The courses that are currently accredited by the SACQSP are BSc Quantity Surveying, BSc Construction Management, B Tech Quantity Surveying and B Tech Construction Management. There are currently six Universities and two Technikons (Universities of Technologies) accredited by the SACQSP in South Africa.

The Council has liaised with the Council for Higher Education (CHE) in order to establish a Memorandum of Understanding in terms of which the SACQSP will be entitled to accredit further training institutions in compliance with the Higher Education Act, 1997. The priorities of the process forward still need to be clarified and agreed with Council for the Higher Education (CHE) before further accreditation visits undertaken.

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Eight professional councils are represented on a sub-committee of the Construction Education and Training Authority (CETA), called the CETA Built Environment Professional Councils' Technical Advisory committee by their registrars. In addition to professions falling within the ambit of the Council for the Built Environment (CBE), the Planners and Land surveyors are represented in an observer status.

2.12 COMMUNICATION

The Council has ongoing communication with the other Councils of the Built Environment on matters of joint interest. These communications are conducted under the auspices of the Registrars Forum where such meetings are generally held bi-monthly. It has also initiated liaison with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) on matters relating to education standards and accreditation of tertiary institutions for international recognition.

2.13 VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS

There are currently only two existing voluntary associations of the SACQSP, including the Association of South African Quantity Surveyors (ASAQS) and SABTACO. One further application is currently under consideration. The criteria by which such applications are considered have been agreed and finalised and are generally available on request.

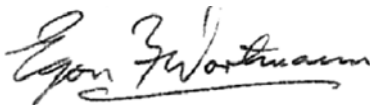
2.14 RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT WITH THE RICS

The Council is pleased to announce that on 18 May 2005 it signed a Reciprocity Agreement (refer annexure No 2 attached) with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), a worldwide body based in the United Kingdom and boasting of a membership of over 110 000 members. This agreement is the result of the acknowledgement and respect of each other's rigorous registration criteria. It was formally agreed that reciprocal membership would be offered all members of the respective organisations, subject to certain conditions. We are thrilled about this historic development which will give the Council international recognition and help to strengthen liaison and contact on an international level.

2.15 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

On the request of the CBE, the Council has agreed to change the future financial years to end on 31 March every year, in line with the other Councils of the Built Environment. In order to fall in line with this revised cycle, the attached audited financial statement are for the period 1 March 2004 to 31 March 2005, a 13-month year. The audited statements for the period under review are attached.

Prepared by :



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REGISTRAR

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