

WACE 2013 WORLD CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

1. ASSESSMENT OF EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING/WORK-INTEGRATED LEARNING

Facilitated by: WACE Assessment Institute

Participants will work with experienced higher education professionals who have tackled the many issues relating to the assessment of the learning outcomes of experiential learning programmes, with particular emphasis on the work-based component.

OUTCOME: Participants will be able to develop the assessment process within their respective programmes.

Who should Attend: College & University Academic staff, program administrators; work-based learning mentors and facilitators; ETQA, QCTO, SETA moderators and assessors.

WHEN: Wednesday 26 June 2013: ICC, Durban (part of World Conference) Times to be confirmed

2. INDUSTRY TRAINING INSTITUTE

Facilitated by: WACE Industry Training Institute

International Industry partners will share best practice with regard to hosting learners in the work-place, work-place learning and its implications for host industries; managing the mix of learning and working and workplace mentorship, etc.

Who should attend: HR Professionals, Training Managers; Co-operative Education / WIL Practitioners

WHEN: Wednesday 26 June 2013: ICC, Durban Time to be confirmed

3. EMPLOYABILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (JICA)

Facilitated by: Mamoru Iida (Japanese International Co-operation Agency)

The Employability Improvement Project (EIP) by using 3i Knowledge and Thinking system is a bilateral technical project between the SA Dept of Higher Education & Training and JICA. The projects has been run with the Universities of Technology in SA and has received widespread support as an important component of any work-readiness program. The workshop will provide an overview of the program that served as an induction for UoT staff

Who should attend: College and Universities Co-op and WIL program managers & Practitioners, Industry mentors.

WHEN: Monday 24 June 2013, 10h00 Ritson Campus, Durban University of technology

4. THE NEXT INDUSTRIAL AGE

Discussion led by: Dan Swinney, Founder of Chicago Manufacturing Renaissance Council and the unique Austin Polytech Academy.

Dan Swinney will describe how a manufacturing renaissance is possible with a public-private partnership approach to education and innovation. Building a regenerative local economy by creating a viable workforce and more career opportunities for school-leavers and college and university graduates, will help solve the corresponding social problems in education economy, poverty and the environment.

Who should attend : Business leaders, Education Managers and leaders; Co-operative & WIL practitioners; Organized business and organized labour; Regional and national Government; Innovators

WHEN: Thursday 27 June 2013 ICC Durban Time to be confirmed

5. FET COLLEGE-UNIVERSITY ARTICULATION

Facilitated by: Representatives of FET Colleges, Universities and others (to be confirmed)

The SA Government is committed to re-vitalising the College system and see this as an option for the majority of school-leavers (as in many other parts of the world). To achieve this will require considerable partnerships between the colleges and the universities for the NQF to be implemented as intended and to de-stigmatise colleges so that learners see this as an important step in higher education and life-long learning. International models will be demonstrated.

Who should attend: College and University Education Managers and academics; Government; Industry

WHEN: Wednesday 26 June 2013; ICC Durban Time to be confirmed.

6. CAPITALISING ON WORK-INTEGRATED EDUCATION

Discussion led by: International & Local Industry Leaders; SETA Leadership; QCTO

The discussion will highlight the financial (& other) benefits of training to industry, academia and students, and the challenges that are faced.

It will also cover issues like insurance for WIL students in the workplace

Who should attend: Industry; College & University managers and academics; SETAs;

WHEN: Monday 24 June 2013; 10h00 Ritson Campus, Durban University of Technology

7. MENTORSHIP

Facilitated by: Callie Fest, Dept. of Water Affairs Learning Academy

An overview of the relationship between mentor and mentee and keys to enhancing such relationships both in academia and the workplace.

Who should attend: HR Managers; Training Managers; academics; Co-op & WIL practitioners; workplace mentors.

WHEN: Monday 24 June 2013 13h30 – 15h30 DUT Ritson Campus

8. ON-LINE UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (OLUMS) TRAINING

Facilitated by: Kris Moodley, Developer of OLUMS

OLUMS is an online intelligent system that helps to manage all aspects of Co-operative & work-Integrated Education, integrating IT, emails and cellphones of university Co-op staff, industry and students. It also tracks students from date of first registration through their work-placement and beyond their graduation.

Who should attend: Co-op & WIL practitioners and managers; industry; SETAs; Government;

WHEN: Training on the system will occur throughout the Conference (24-28 June 2013)
Venues and times to be confirmed.

9. WORKING WITH SETAs

Discussion led by: Interseta Forum Chair DHET / SETA Co-ordinator

SETAs drive the National Skills development Strategy III and are key to linking industry and academia, in addition to controlling large portions of the skills funding. Engagement and support of the FET Colleges and – to a lesser extent- the UoTs, is also a mandate of SETAs.

This workshop will examine how the various parties can better engage with each other to maximize the benefits of industry-academia partnerships, Work-integrated Education and the use of skills funding to enable and improve skills development in the country.

Who should attend: SETAs; FET Colleges; Universities; private Colleges; Industry

WHEN: Date to be confirmed; ICC Durban Time to be confirmed

10. NEW MODELS OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Facilitated by: SA National Civics Organisation Development Institute (SDI)
NARYSEC (Dept of Rural Development & Land Reform)

The role of community engagement in developing citizenship amongst students as well as serving as a work-Integrated Education vehicle outside formal employment will be discussed. Should all WIL programs have a community engagement/service learning component?

What of the role of Co-operatives? And getting unemployed graduates to form co-operatives?

The National Rural Youth Service Corp (NARYSEC) will be highlighted, including the youth green skills development

Who should attend: Academics; Industry; Academic management; NGOs; SETAs; NSA;

WHEN: Monday 24 June 2013. 13h30 -15h30; Durban University of Technology;

11. VICE-CHANCELLORS' COLLOQUIUM

Facilitated by: HESA / WACE

The conference will be attended by President's & Vice-Chancellors of many institutions. All SA Vice-Chancellors will be invited to participate in this colloquium during the conference, which will focus on Co-operative & Work-Integrated Education from a university leadership perspective.

Who should attend: by invitation

WHEN: 26 or 27 June 2013 during parallel sessions. ICC, Durban. Time to be confirmed.
