

SACPLAN

COMPETENCIES AND STANDARDS PROJECT WORKSHOP



6 March 2014

Introduction

- The SACPLAN is the statutory Council appointed in terms of the PPA to regulate the Planning Profession in terms of the Act.
- The SACPLAN as part of this mandate:
 - assures the quality of planning qualifications
 - registration with the Council
 - continued professional development (CPD).
- During a strategic session the Council has confirmed a number of priorities:
 - the determination of planning competencies; and
 - the accreditation of planning schools to ensure a planning curriculum responsive to the challenges and changing dynamics of national development.

Background

First Phase

- Consisted of three parts including following:
 - Status Quo of the different efforts/research by different stakeholders;
 - Source international experiences (addressing benchmarking with international competencies);
 - Review of similar professions in South Africa;
 - Establishing a 'baseline' of key concepts;
 - Generation of basic competencies
 - Draft Registration categories;
 - Ranking of employment;
 - Etc.



Current

Second Phase

- Consisted of three parts including following:
 - Consolidation of First Phase;
 - Identify and fill in notable gaps;
 - Development of Competencies and Standards for curriculum development;
 - Develop guidelines for registration;
 - Develop guidelines for job profiling.



Further

Third Phase

- Identification and development of legislative amendments to the Planning Profession Act, 2002, Regulations, and Rules;
- Development of Accreditation Criteria for the accreditation of planning programmes and planning schools / departments;
- Development of a CPD policy and procedure;
- Development of an RPL policy and procedure;
- Examination system(s) as part of the registration process;
- Development of qualifications in the format required for the registration of qualifications with SAQA.

Consultation

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- Workshops with the relevant stakeholders.
 - CHoPS 23rd and 24th January 2014
 - Voluntary Associations (e.g. SAPI, SAACPP) and other Professional Bodies and Institutions (e.g. CBE, ECSA, PLATO, LSSA, CSIR) – 13 February 2014
 - Government (National, Provincial and Municipal) Workshop in Gauteng (Stakeholders in Gauteng, Limpopo, Mpumalanga, North West) – 20 February 2014
 - Workshop in KwaZulu-Natal (Stakeholders within KZN and Free State) – 27 February 2014
 - Workshop in Western Cape (Stakeholders within Western-, Eastern-, and Northern Cape) – 6 March 2014
- Final date for comments 14 March 2014

Thank you

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