

What is CESA YPF?

Consulting Engineers of South Africa's Young Professionals Forum (CESA YPF) consists of Young Professionals who are passionate about the engineering industry and are interested in ensuring the development, growth and promotion of the profession, thus ensuring the sustainability of engineering skills for the country.

CESA YPF membership is available to all qualified Young Professionals (YPs) in the engineering and built environment, younger than 36 years of age.

CESA YPF is operated on a non-profit basis and relies on sponsorship support from CESA member firms as well as other companies that seek to grow YPs and understand the importance of developing Young Professionals for the industry.

CESA YPF objectives include:

- Promotion and creating an awareness of Engineering and Built Environment careers, the Consulting Engineering Industry and CESA
- Retention of young professionals within the consulting engineering industry
- Building capacity and knowledge amongst members of the YPF
- Sharing Information and networking
- Provision a platform for engineers to support each other with registration, training, mentoring and CPD

CESA YPF Major Events

1. **CESA YPF Job Shadowing Initiative** – more than 800 school learners are provided with an engineering job shadowing opportunity annually.
2. **Engineering & Construction Career Expo** – more than 5 000 learners are exposed to engineering career and role models.
3. CESA YPF's regular regional **meet-and-greet** and **general topical discussion events**.
4. **CESA Young Professionals Sustainability Imbizo** – launched in August 2013, this annual, mini-conference is a springboard of future leaders by providing discussion platform regarding their role and position in communities, engineering and built environment professions.
5. **CESA AON Engineering Excellence Awards** – YPF support awards categories of Mentor of the Year, Young Engineer of the Year and Mentoring Company of the Year to further promote and encourage the development of Young Professionals.
6. **CESA Indaba and FIDIC Infrastructure Conference** – young professionals partake in national & international committees and conferences.

CESA YPF consists of an Executive Committee and a National Steering Committee chaired by a National Chairperson with branch committee chairpersons facilitating activities in 12 regions. CESA YPF is also represented on the CESA Council and Committees of Councils.

To join this empowerment forum, go to <http://www.cesa.co.za/node/215>. For more information, please contact: Godfrey at godfrey@cesa.co.za

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