

# RESOLUTION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS

**Having held meetings:** in Addis Ababa, in the Faculty of Technology, (Amist Kilo) of the Haile Selassie I University, from June 24 to 26, 1971, on the theme:

## ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF ETHIOPIA

**Having considered** the role of Engineers and Architects in all areas of national development, projects and endeavors of economic advancement, and the need for providing opportunities for a more effective participation of Engineers and Architects in these activities, for the achievement of the planned objectives and for deriving lasting and continuing benefits therefrom;

**Recognizing** the difficulties encountered by properly qualified graduates in the fields of Engineering and Architecture with regard to securing employment in their respective fields of qualification and the apparent dearth of opportunities conducive to further advancement in their professional careers;

**Convinced** that the cause of Ethiopian development and economic advancement can best be served by a properly established, organized and united professional society such as the Ethiopian Association of Engineers and Architects;

**Aware** that a well planned and organized National Conference such as the First National Conference of Engineers and Architects is a proper form for the exchange of professional experience, discussion of common problems concerning professional practices, reviewing and evaluating development projects and strengthening the Association through the establishment of a closer contact within the membership;

## THE FIRST NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS

- 1.0 URGES all Engineers and Architects domiciled and practicing in Ethiopia to register as members of the Ethiopian Association of Engineers and Architects at the appropriate membership grades, and to give full and unstinted support and assistance to the Association by actively participating in the Associations affairs and program.
- 2.0 CHARGES the Board of Management of the Association;
- 2.1 To direct the Membership-drive Committee to pursue with increased effectiveness its efforts to

strengthen the Association not only by way of numbers but also by active participation in the affairs of the Association;

- 2.2 To undertake all necessary measures to encourage the creation of Chapters of the Association by geographical zones, throughout the Nation and by the formation of student Chapters in Addis Ababa and Alamaya;
- 2.3 To investigate and adopt various forms of periodic activities and gatherings, such as dinner meetings, group discussions, reading of papers, panel discussions, debates, review and critical evaluation of public projects with a view to creating interest and stimulating active participation by the members;
- 2.4 To form a Committee on Professional Practices to investigate and draw up recommendations on employment opportunities for Engineers and Architects and on the fostering conditions conducive to advancement in their professional careers, and matters relating to professional practices and urges this committee, in consultation with the Board of Management to elaborate and expand the terms of reference given herein above prior to the examination of substantive issues related to Professional practice and calls upon the Board of Management to seek all the necessary additional resources that may be required by the Professional Practices Committee in carrying out its mandated task-inter alia-revision of secretarial assistance and such funds as may be required to carry out surveys and investigations;
- 2.5 To expedite the drawing up of a Code of Professional Ethics by the standing Committee on Professional Ethics for Consideration and ratification by the Association's next National Conference;
- 2.6 To vigorously pursue the promulgation of the draft legislation providing for the Registration of Engineers, Architects and Contractors and the Preparation and adoption of the National Building Code, and other Ethiopian Standards for the various branches of Science and Technology including Codes or Practices for the construction trades;
- 2.7 To encourage through the Publications Committee, the publication of the proceedings of this First National Conference of Engineers and Architects in the Journal of the Association, "ZEDE", which should be published at short

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- ADDIS ABABA - BLUE NILE ROAD: CRUSHING, ASPHALTING AND PAVING.
- GIMMA - AGARO ROAD: CONSTRUCTION.
- NAZARETH - AWASH ROAD: RECONSTRUCTION.
- BEDELE - METU ROAD: CRUSHING AND ASPHALTING.
- ASMARA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT: ASPHALT PAVING.
- BOLE AIRPORT: CRUSHING AND ASPHALTING.
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regular interval for a more effective dissemination of the activities of the Association as well as relevant news items;

- 2.8 To arrange the election of a Conference Organizing Committee which would plan and organize well in advance the next National Conference of the Association, to be held not later than July 15, 1972, and as an Annual Conference thereafter incorporating, every second year, the election of the Executive Officers and Board of Management of the Association;
- 2.9 To call upon employers of Engineers and Architects to make it possible for all Engineers and Architects in professional practice to participate in the annual conference by instituting liberal leave policies for this purpose and by under writing, whenever possible, the cost of participation of Engineers and Architects in these conference, particularly when the participant will have to travel to the site of the conference. The report of the sub-committee should be submitted prior to the holding of the next National Conference of Engineers and Architects.

3.0 EXPRESSES its sincere congratulations and warm appreciation to the following members of the Association who through their untiring and devoted efforts have made this First National Conference possible and who have contributed in varying ways to the success of the Conference:

— Ato Haile Lul Tebicke  
President of the Association and Chairman of the Conference Publication Sub-Committee.

Ato Teshome Workie  
Vice President of the Association.

— Ato Seifu Lemma  
Secretary of the Association.

— Ato Mamo Kifle  
Treasurer of the Association.

— Ato Michael Tedros  
Chairman of the Conference Organizing Committee and Chairman of the Conference Exhibition Sub-Committee.

The Members of the Board of Management of the Association.

— The Members of the Conference Organizing Committee and in particular those few who persisted in the task of organizing the conference throughout the many months of its preparation.

— The Members of the Association and others who contributed the papers read at the Conference.

- - The Firms, Government Departments and Agencies who exhibited at the Conference.

3.1 EXPRESSES its appreciation and gratitude to the following organizations and individuals who contributed in various ways to making the Conference possible:

H.E. Lij Endalkatchew Makonnen, Minister of Communications, Telecommunications and Posts.

Dr. Aklilu Habte, President of the Haile Sellassie I University

H.E. Dr. Haile Giorgis Workneh, Lord Mayor of Addis Ababa.

The Dean of the Faculty of Technology of H. S. I. U.

The Water and Sewerage Authority.  
Enav & Tedros, Architects.

The Water Resources Department, Ministry of Public Works & Water Resources.

The Imperial Highway Authority.

The Agricultural Engineering Department of H.S.I.U.

The Ethiopian Cement Corporation.

The Research Department of Faculty of Education at H.S.I.U.

The Ethiopian Electric Light and Power Authority.

SAUTI Consulting Engineers (Rome).  
The 1971 graduating class of Electrical and Civil Engineers at the Faculty of Technology.

4.0 ADOPTS as the Motto of the Association:

ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS UNITE IN  
THE DEVELOPMENT OF ETHIOPIA

And consistent with this Motto:

5.0 BRINGS this successful First Conference to a close giving a concrete expression to its theme:

ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE IN  
THE DEVELOPMENT OF ETHIOPIA

By establishing a special program hence forth to be known as the *Technical Assistance Program* Whereby the Association, through a Technical Assistance Committee, to be established by the Board of Management, would extend technical advice, aid and services at cost, or free of charge when its finances permit, to any rural and semi-rural communities, self-help associations, co-operatives, and rural officials engaged in development tasks, who apply for and are deemed to deserve such technical assistance.

So that the blessings of engineering and architectural know-how may be available in the remotest corners of Our Country.