

# SASCE TODAY



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## SASCE GUEST

Co-operative education is synonymous with the University of Waterloo. Today, their incomparable co-operative education program is the reason 70% of incoming undergraduate students choose Waterloo.

SASCE is honoured to have President and Vice Chancellor of Waterloo University Feridun Hamdullahpur sharing the stage with local leaders and WIL experts during the WIL-Africa 2018 Conference in June at Coastlands Umhlanga Convention

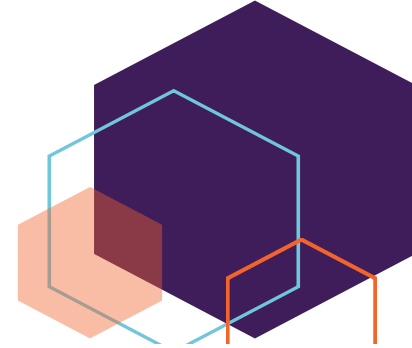
Centre in Durban. SASCE is looking forward to his message



**Feridun Hamdullahpur**

## Great Line-up: WIL-Africa 2018

The speakers are reputable opinion makers and decision makers from Business, Government and Academia which includes amongst others include Ministry of education,



The Chair Universities SA, the CEO of SAQA, the CEO of Council for Higher Education, Chair/CEO of SATN and CEOs of participating SETA's.

Besides the exciting programme line-up, the conference venue during winter is best suited for the warm Indian ocean in Durban.



“You can write a thesis about how to ride a bicycle, but if you have not ridden a bicycle you cannot claim that you know how to ride it.” *Dan Language*

## PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

SASCE has started with the process for Professional Registration. The next steps in the process is to obtain your inputs regarding the proposed professional designations for WIL/CWIE professionals.

The next stakeholder engagement will be on the

profile of each designation and assessment criteria. Your inputs can be emailed to [info@sasce.net](mailto:info@sasce.net) subject “professional designation”

The proposed designations are

1. Master CWIE Professional
2. CWIE Specialist
3. WIL Practitioner
4. Associate WIL Practitioner





## The SASCE Lifetime Achievement Award

During the World Conference on Cooperative and Work Integrated Education, the Chairperson of Suranaree University of Technology Council and the “Father of Thai Cooperative Association”, Prof Wichit was bestowed with two internationally renowned awards. The first being the “Lifetime achievement award presented by the Southern African Society for Cooperative Education (SASCE) and his Excellency Geoff Doidge, South African Ambassador to Thailand was invited to do the honour in presenting the

award to Professor Wichit. The second award was the “The University of Cincinnati Cooperative Education Hall of Honor” from the University of Cincinnati, USA. In his acceptance speech Prof Wichit thanked everyone and all parties in Thailand who contributed in making the Thailand Cooperative education a global success story and would like to share the two awards with them.

## SASCE Membership: Platinum Value Proposition

SASCE continuously looks for improving value to its member community. It is with pleasure to announce that effective from January 2018 the Platinum membership benefit includes paid WACE Membership and some discounts in SASCE offering this is over and above the access to all corporate membership benefits. Besides the increase in member benefits and rising costs in the education environment, the good news is that the Platinum membership fee remains unchanged.

### Call For Papers

- You are invited to submit your papers and participate in the 3rd WIL Africa.
- The deadline for article submission is 31 March 2018. The conference theme for 2018 – WIL: From Policy to Implementation.
- Both academic and opinion papers are welcome. You can use [research@sasce.net](mailto:research@sasce.net) to submit or to enquire
- Accepted peer reviewed papers will be included in The African Journal for Work-Based Learning ISSN: 2412-7302 (printed) or ISSN: 2415-5055 (online).

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## SASCE Stakeholder meeting: EC TVET Colleges

SASCE had a discussion workshop on benefits of WIL and Cooperative education with TVET



Colleges in the Eastern Cape. The topics discussed ranged from the research in TVET community to management of WIL implementation. The meeting ended in a very positive spirit with a commitment that SASCE will provide a capacity building solution for their practitioners in their greatest are of need namely management of WIL implementation. To date SASCE is busy with the solution and is looking at having it implemented before the

end of March 2018.

**Watch this space!!!**

# WIL Research

## African Journal for Work Based Learning



WIL-AFRICA  
WORK INTEGRATED LEARNING



### JOURNAL ACCREDITATION

The 2016 **African Journal for Work Based Learning** is now available and can be accessed at [www.sasce.net](http://www.sasce.net)

We plan to apply for accreditation of the journal in June 2018. To meet the accreditation requirements, we must have the 2017 and 2018 Volumes.

This need for two Volumes before June 2018 together with the 31 March 2018 WIL Africa deadline presents a

great window of opportunity for researchers in this field albeit for a limited period.

To the researchers who presented at WACE that were also keen to have their peer reviewed papers published in the **African Journal for Work Based Learning**, that opportunity has arrived.

You engage with us or submit your paper to [research@sasce.net](mailto:research@sasce.net)

SASCE would also like to take this opportunity to thank Dr R Brink for her role as the editor of the publication of the Journal. She tendered her resignation due to her increased work load the focus on the journal could suffer. She that she together with UJ (her member institution) will remain active in SASCE.

**Thank You Dr Brink**

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# WIL-AFRICA CO-HOSTS

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## 2018 SASCE EVENTS

### CAPACITY BUILDING, SYMPOSIUM AND CONFERENCES

- Kenya WIL Symposium in Nairobi from 8 – 11 May 2018 currently busy finalising implementation plans with our Kenyan counterparts more updates will be in SASCE website as the plan unfolds.
- WIL-Africa 2018 Conference in 18-20 July 2018 for further details please visit <http://wil-africaconference.com/> . Please note that the early bird registration is now open, offering you an opportunity to save on registration fees. The programme for WIL-Africa will indeed be exciting this year
- Career Fairs one at the beginning of the and another later in the year
- For additional capacity building initiatives this will be an active year please keep visiting website or follow SASCE Twitter and Facebook accounts for regular updates. We are planning to have something exciting sooner than later.

### ADVOCACY, VISIBILITY AND WIL PLACEMENT

- SASCE exhibited at the IPM Conference to showcase its value and contribution in the WIL space. Although we did not freebies our stand was frequented by delegates. SASCE through its CEO also participated in the plenary session regarding creating sustainable employment for youth, in line with SASCE focus our focus and input was on the case for collaboration between the skills supply and demand side. The key points were that low collaboration could result to skills mismatch between demand and supply sides, that mismatch contributes to low levels of low graduate employability regardless of qualification achievement, that low graduate employability contributes to structural unemployment regardless of capacity of the economy to create employment and that the greater the collaboration between the supply and demand side at multiple layers during the student life the higher the chances of improving employability.
- Regarding the placement of WIL student SASCE was once more able to assist relevant stakeholder institutions with the WIL placement of Engineering students for P1 and P2 through TLIU sponsored programme. The sponsor is still excited with the performance of this project. We will revamp our MoU with the participating universities to further improve the governance and experience of stakeholders
- The Gauteng WIL Forum set at TUT, SASCE is looking forward to another one early next year with more members in attendance.



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Industry, Education and Government partners engaging on **WIL: POLICY TO IMPLEMENTATION**



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