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NOTICE OF NIQS BIENNIAL CONFERENCE AND NIQS BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING

To: AAQS Council Members
AAQS Institution Members
AAQS Practice Members

Dear All,

THE NIQS BIENNIAL CONFERENCE AND NIQS BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING IS HOLDING IN ABUJA, FCT, NIGERIA ON WEDNESDAY 15TH – SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER, 2017

Herewith relevant information:

1. Who should attend the NIQS Biennial Conference

The Biennial Conference is open to all Quantity Surveyors, Cost Engineers, and Project Managers from all countries of the world. Whilst the NIQS Biennial General Meeting holding in the morning of Saturday 18th November, 2017 is for all registered members of the NIQS only.

2. Confirmed attendees

A list of confirmed attendees will be issued in due course.

3. Notification of attendance

It is essential that all intending international participants at the Biennial Conference notify the NIQS well in advance should they wish to attend in order that the necessary preparation/arrangements may be made.

4. Venue and hotel bookings

The venue for both the NIQS Biennial Conference and Biennial General Meeting is the NAF Conference Centre and Suites, Plot 496 Ahmadu Bello Way, Gwarinpa Expressway, Deeper Life Junction (Near Next Cash and Carry), Kado, Abuja.

The venue is in proximity of a number of hotels within a short driving distance of between 5-10 minutes as follows:

i. NAF Conference Centre and Suites,

Plot 496 Ahmadu Bello Way, Gwarinpa Expressway,
Deeper Life Junction (Near Next Cash and Carry), Kado, Abuja.

kristieobe@gmail.com

+2348033969196

ii. NIPPON Grand Hotel,

Plot 102, Ahmadu Bello Way,

Kado Express Way, Abuja

info@nippongrand.com

+2347036844527/ +2349094428358

iii. Newton Park Hotels and Resorts

Plot 2175 Cadastral Zone A02,

8 Cape Town Street, Off Ibrahim Babangida Way,

Zone 4, Abuja.

info@newtonparkhotels.com / reservation@newtonparkhotels.com

Tel: +234 81 6921 9892/+234 81 6921 9728/ +234 80 2659 8195

iv. Grand Cubana Hotels,

No. 6 Ebitu Ukiwe Street, Jabi, Abuja,

info@grandcubanahotels.com

+234 8111114846/ +234 9085888844

All delegates are to make their own hotel bookings. The Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (NIQS) propose that delegates can stay at the hotels nearby the venue where the meeting will take place as all the above mentioned hotels have been providing the corporate rates for the delegates. Delegates who may wish that the NIQS could help in reserving a hotel are encouraged to inform the NIQS in ample time indicating the type and rates.

(NIQS Mr. Ojonimi Ebiloma – Deputy Executive Secretary- +2348184949695- o.ebiloma@niqs.org.ng).

5. Transport from and to the airport

The International airport is situated approximately 45Km from the venue where the Conference and Meeting is to be held. The duration for travelling to and from the venue is approximately 40 minutes depending on traffic.

If prior confirmation is made, transport can be arranged for the delegates from the airport to the hotels of their choice.

6. Flights

Some of the available flights are indicated below. Delegates should search for further flights which may be suitable.

- From South Africa – Best connecting with Ethiopian airlines.
- From East Africa – Kenya Airlines to Lagos first
Rwanda to Lagos first
Ethiopian Airline direct
- From West Africa - African World Airline
Arik Air
Hahn Air

7. Programmes

Draft Programme for the NIQS Biennial Conference and Biennial General Meeting
15th – 18th November, 2017.

S/No.	DAY /DATE	ACTIVITIES	TIME
1	TUESDAY 14th November,2017	Arrival of NEC Members	
		Media Interaction/Parley and Press Conference	10:00 am -12:00 pm
		Visitations to Orphanage/Charity Organisation Government/Traditional Institutions	1.00 pm -3.00 pm
		Novelty Match/Golf	4.30 pm
		Gala Nite/Welcome Cocktail	7.00 pm - 10.00 pm
2	WEDNESDAY 15th November,2017	Registration	9.00 am
		1st Conference Plenary	10.00 am - 11.00 am
		2nd Conference Plenary	11.00 am - 12.00 pm
		Break	12.10 pm - 1.50 pm
		Syndicate Sessions i	2.00 pm - 3.00 pm
		Syndicate Session ii	3.30 pm- 4.30 pm
		Break	5:00 pm
3	THURSDAY 16th November, 2017	3rd Conference Plenary	9.30 am- 10.30 am
		Opening Ceremony	10.35 am- 12.00 pm
		Break	12.05 am- 12.45 pm
		Syndicate Session iii	1.00 pm - 2.45 pm
		Break	2.45 pm - 3.30 pm
		Syndicate Session iv	3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
		WAQSN Hour/ Other Sigs	5.15 pm- 5.45 pm
		Induction Nite	7.00 pm - 9.00 pm
4	FRIDAY 17th November, 2017	Novelty Match/ YQSF Hour	7.30 am - 9.45 am
		Other National Bodies Hour (Academics/Consulting/Public Sector/ Contracting)	10.30 am- 12.30 pm
		Break	12:30 pm- 1:30 pm
		Jumat	1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
		AGM	2.30 pm -6.00 pm
		Networking/Socials etc	7.00 pm-10.00 pm
5	SATURDAY 18th November,2017	BGM	9.30 am - 11.30 am
		Elections	11.45 am- 2.40 pm
		Explore Abuja	3.00 pm - 6.00 pm
		NEC/Fellows Investiture	7.00 pm-10.00 pm

Theme for the conference: *Developing the Economy for Sustainable Growth – The Construction Industry as an Effective Stimulant.*

NB: Paper topics and presenters to be announced later after confirmations.

The AAQS Council members are participating in the Conference free but other members are to contribute USD 250 as conference fee, including Dinner and Conference Lunches -3 No. All payments should be made through the Institute's Bank with the following details:

Bank: First Bank of Nigeria Plc (Us Dollar Account)

Account Name: The Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors

Account No: 2003471443

Sort Code: 011150000

8. Currency of country

The currency of Nigeria is the Naira and currently at \$1.00 = N365

9. Visa requirements

Visa requirements for citizens of the AAQS member countries are as follows:

Required before travel



Angola



Mozambique



South Africa

Required but obtainable at point of entry



Botswana



Kenya



Lesotho



Malawi



Namibia



Swaziland



Uganda



Zambia



Zimbabwe

Not required

All ECOWAS Countries

Delegates should, however, themselves check the visa requirements. The AAQS and/or the Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors should not be required to deal with visa applications other than providing a letter of invitation where required.

Those who require a letter of invitation for visa purposes should contact:

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10. Health

Nigeria is a high malaria prone country. The government of Nigeria requires proof of yellow fever vaccination upon arrival if you are traveling from a country with risk of yellow fever.

11. Those wishing to extend their stay

Excursion can be arranged for but prior notification is required. The tentative package and the arrangements for the excursion to be provided in due course.

12. Dress Code

The dress code for the NIQS Biennial Conference is smart casual (no ties required).

The dress code for the dinners is smart casual.

The dress code for the National Executive Council Inauguration Dinner is Formal Suit or full National attire with cap and shoes (No slippers).

Kind regards.

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