



Attention: ALL MEMBERS

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A new Code of Ethics & Professional Practice

The current Code of Ethical & Professional Practice has served APSO and its members very well over a number of years. While there have been many amendments to keep abreast of industry changes we believe that the time has come for a complete review.

Further, as part of our strategic intent of professionalising APSO we recently joined the Ethics Institute of SA. They have reviewed our Codes and made a number of suggestions for positive change.

We have also, in line with strategies for Continuing Professional Development, submitted an application to SAQA for registration as a Professional body and this has necessitated certain other changes.

APSO Council set up a Task Team and their brief was to revamp the existing Code taking into account the above developments and also current trends in Ethics, Best Practice and Compliance. The Task Team has now completed new Codes in accordance with their brief and, at the same time, creating separate and more user-friendly sections.

While the changes relate more to format and layout, there have been some changes in content and substance.

The proposed new Codes are attached for your perusal and we invite your comments which should be received by close of business on 31st May 2013. All comments will then be collated and sent back to the Task Team for action. Once these have been considered and incorporated, final Codes will be sent out to members with the Notice and Agenda of the 2013 AGM. It is planned that ratification of the final Codes will be voted at the AGM.

We urge all members to carefully peruse these important documents and that you take this opportunity to make your comments which will be taken seriously and dealt with appropriately.

Kind regards

Ethics Task Team



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