

CONFERENCES AND EXHIBITIONS

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AT WORK

The second SAEI Convention is set to be held in October. The following keynote speakers have been scheduled: Anders Nordstrom, ABB; Anton-Louis Olivier, NuPlanet; Barry Bredenkamp, NEEA; Charlie Bhurtun, University of Mauritius; Edward Chikuni, Polytechnic University of Namibia; Ernst Unken, CPUT; Geoff Stiles, Marbek; Gustav Radloff, Energy Cybernetics; Henning Holm, Omnibus Engineering; Ian Lane, Energy Cybernetics; Jason Schaffler, Nano Energy; Tom Pringle, Masana BP; Mohammed Kahn, CPUT; Paul Rodzianko, Greenfuel Technologies; LJ Grobler, North West University; Rochelle Chetty, Eskom.
 Date: 25-26 October 2007
 Venue: Emperors Palace, Gauteng
 Contact Erika Kruger (018) 293 1499 or convention@saei.org.za

CSense USER CONFERENCE

End-users from mining and metals, food and beverage, pulp and paper, chemicals, petrochemical and discrete manufacturing industries—from North America, Europe, Australia and Southern Africa—are presenting their CSense success stories at this year's CSense Users' Conference. An exciting range of packaged realtime applications will be launched at the conference. Announcements will also be made at the conference on global collaboration between CSense Systems and globally leading HMI vendors at corporate level. This conference is a must for production managers, process engineers, automation and control engineers, potential solutions partners, consultants and other process industry professionals.
 Date: 15-17 October 2007

Venue: Leriba Lodge, Centurion
 Register on-line at www.csensesystems.com or contact Michelle Giammartini at (011) 454 0176

SIEMENS TIA USER FORUM

This ground breaking automation event will be hosted by Siemens SA. It is the 7th Totally Integrated Automation User Forum held. Attendees will gain insight into new technologies and experiences from Siemens, its partners and end-users. The forum incorporates the Cyber Junkyard tertiary institution competition.
 Date: 22-24 October 2007
 Venue: Birchwood Conference Centre
 Contact Hentie Dirker on (011) 652 3664 or hentie.dirker@siemens.com

PUBLICATIONS

CONVERGANCE WHITE PAPER

Rockwell Automation has announced the release of a white paper that reveals a snapshot of how manufacturers are beginning to bridge the historic divide between controls engineering and information technology (IT). The paper, based on interviews with a select group of manufacturers representing a broad range of industries, identifies the organisational and business process challenges involved with IT and engineer-

ing convergence, and outlines the potential business benefits available to companies as they move further along the path to convergence. This white paper was commissioned by Rockwell Automation and authored by analyst firm Industry Directions and consultant firm Systems Innovation Management. For a copy of the paper visit www.rockwellautomation.com/go/converge

CONTINUING EDUCATION

SEMINAR ON BEST PRACTICES IN LIGHTNING PROTECTION AND EARTHING

Innopro, specialist consultants and solution providers in earthing and lightning protection, in association with Wits University, are presenting one-day industry-briefing seminars on "Best Practices in Lightning Protection and Earthing of Structures and Systems" at various venues around the country in November 2007. These seminars are accredited for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) by Wits University, and attendees will earn one credit in the compulsory Category 1. The briefing seminars are aimed at industry practitioners at all levels and will be beneficial to all persons involved in the design, management, insurance, risk assessment and/or maintenance of infrastructure and systems that can be affected or influenced by lightning and related electromagnetic interference. A formal technical qualification is not a prerequisite for attendance or for gaining benefit from the seminar. Booking is essential as limited space is available. Dates and venues:

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| Rustenburg | – | 8 November |
| Centurion | – | 15 November |
| Richards Bay | – | 22 November |
| Durban | – | 23 November |
| Bloemfontein | – | 27 November |

Contact (012) 667 5151 or training@gafrica.com.

ENERGY MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

An energy program is a critical requirement in order to understand where and when energy is consumed. To

respond appropriately to outputs from an energy program with respect to inefficiency and anomalies an energy policy is required. This course gives the specifics of these two elements in order for the attendees to build their own energy management strategy. The strategy is a comprehensive way to ensure responsible and efficient use of energy. Such a strategy is unique to each environment and so this course gives the building blocks required to develop a site-specific energy strategy. This energy management workshop has been registered with ECSA for two CPD credits and will be presented by Dr I Boake, PrEng, PhD, CEM.
 Date: 23-24 October 2007
 Venue: The Wanderers Club, Illovo
 Contact Angelique Grobler at Ripple Training on (012) 678 4800.

FUNDAMENTALS OF MATERIALS AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

This new education programme is aimed at newcomers to the field of materials and operations management and has been launched by SAPICS, the Association for Operations Management of Southern Africa. The course has four modules:

- Fundamentals of inventory control
- Fundamentals of planning
- Fundamentals of manufacturing control
- Fundamentals of operations management

The course is suitable for professionals involved in inventory and manufacturing control, planning and operations, including planners and supervisors working in these areas,

as well as new entrants to this dynamic business and people aligned to the field. If you need a greater understanding of how your job affects the production and on-time delivery of products to customers, this course is for you. Contact Jenny Froome at 011 805 5677 or email jenny@sapics.org.za.

CITECT TRAINING SCHEDULE 2007

The following courses will be presented:

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| Citect HMI/SCADA Basic Configuration: | 5-7 Nov, 3-5 Dec |
| CiCode Fundamentals: | 8-9 Nov |
| CitectSCADA Intermediate Networking: | 6-7 Dec |
| Ampla Performance: | 12-13 Nov |
| Ampla Client: | 15 Nov |
| CCE Examination: | 30 Oct |

Contact Jannine Fortune (011) 699 6600 or jannine.fortune@citect.com.

ENERGY TRAINING FOUNDATION SCHEDULE FOR 2007

15-19 October 2007:

- Certified Energy Management Training Course (CEM)

16-19 October 2007:

- Energy Audit Training Course (EAT)
- Industrial Energy Management Training Course (IEMT)

25 October 2007:

- CEM and CMVP Award Ceremony and SAEI Banquet

Contact Christina den Heijer at christina@eventstraining.co.za or call 018 294 7174.

APPOINTMENTS



SHORROCK AUTOMATION
 Chris Cronjé has been promoted to sales manager at the head office in Centurion.



SEW EURODRIVE
 Wayne Martin has been appointed sales engineer at the Johannesburg office.



FESTO
 Andrew Ferenczy has been appointed to the position of branch manager in Johannesburg.



FESTO
 Brett Wallace has been promoted to national sales manager.



B&A GROUP
 Allen Liversage has been appointed as group financial director of the B&A Group and is also managing director of a subsidiary company, Bosch Management Services.