

The South African Road Federation

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better roads

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SARF MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

ABOUT US

Founded in 1950, the South African Road Federation (SARF) is an organisation that provides a meeting point for people across South Africa to share their interest in the local road industry and the administration of roads across the country.

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Join us at SARF and take advantage of the countless benefits of being a member.

SARF'S BBBEE RATING

As SARF continues to develop after more than 66 successful years in the industry, the benefits of becoming a member of the organisation continue to grow. As a Level 1 BBBEE accredited organisation, you can expect a procurement recognition of 135%.

MEMBERSHIP PROFILE

The membership profile of SARF is largely defined by the make-up of the roads sector, which can be broadly divided into three sectors:

1. Road providers
2. Road users
3. Academic/research organisations, learned societies and professional bodies active in road transportation

SARF MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS INCLUDE:

1 SARF Members receive discounted rates (up to R1000) per delegate per SARF training course that they attend.

2 All SARF training courses have been accredited with CPD points by ECSA.

3 SARF Members receive free attendance of the Road Pavement Forum (RPF) which meets twice a year (Members qualify for 2 CPD points). Members also have the opportunity to suggest relevant topics to be presented at the RPF. Non-members pay R1500/pp to attend the RPF.

4 SARF members qualify for one ECSA CPD point a year by virtue of the fact that SARF is a recognised Voluntary Association of ECSA (see Category 3 on Page 4 of ECSA Rules).

5 SARF is an accredited Voluntary Association of the South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP) all Construction and Project Managers as well as Site Agents who are registered with SACPCMP will qualify for SACPCMP CPD points when they attend certain SARF courses.

6 SARF Members can apply to be part of the IRF Fellowship programme in the United States of America. This exciting programme has been developed for graduate engineers and transportation managers. The programme provides a one-time grant toward the costs of university study in fields related to the development of better and safer roads and road networks worldwide. More than 1387 students from 118 countries have benefited from these grants.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES

The members of SARF have identified four strategic clusters. Within each cluster a number of strategic focus areas have been identified, which form the basis of the development of activity plans, endorsed by Council.

STRATEGIC CLUSTER	FOCUS AREA
A. Stakeholder engagement	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Representative membership 2. A comprehensive data base on road and operations 3. Dissemination of relevant strategic information in respect of the road sector 4. Effective, up-to-date communications systems and instruments 5. Regular contact and interaction with the print and electronic media
B. Safe and effective road transport and infrastructure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Appropriate funding levels and effective delivery of road provision and preservation 2. Safety in road usage and provision
C. Capacity development in the road sector	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adequate skills in the roads industry 2. Training and education schemes coordinated with other accredited service providers 3. Student support for studies congruent with the aims of SARF
D. Sustainable practice in road provision	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sound environmental practice 2. Value engineering

7 By showing drive and dedication members can be elected to serve as the chairperson in their respective region. As Chairperson a member then occupies a seat on the SARF Council where that person can be voted in to the position of Vice President, Deputy President and SARF President; each has a two year term. The SARF President's position is a prestigious position in the Roads industry, and desirable to have on ones CV.

8 The staff who are employed by SARF member companies are encouraged to apply for the annual SARF Bursary/Grant that the SARF Education Committee awards. The SARF Education Committee gives preference to the staff employed by a SARF member company before considering other University and University of Technology students that apply.

9 When a person applies to be a member of SACPCMP in any of the recognised categories (PR.CM, Pr. CPM, C.CPM and C.CM), if they are a member of a recognised Voluntary Association (VA) with SACPCMP (SARF is a recognised VA) the applicant will qualify for 10 points on the SACPCMP score sheet.

10 Members are nominated to serve on Regional SARF Committees at Regional AGM's, where after they can be part of the local committee that draws up and plans local seminars and site visits.

11 At the Regional SARF meetings members get the opportunity to network with regional engineers from SANRAL, Provincial Roads departments, Metros and Municipalities as well as Suppliers and Educational institutions.

12 SARF Members can also attend SARF Regional and National AGM's (where CPD points can be claimed). Regions arrange regional Members Forums where SARF members have the opportunity to listen to and network with Road industry experts and the Provincial MEC's of Transport.