

# INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS OF KENYA (IEK)

# MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE 2024 – 2026

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#### 1. Introduction

The Constitution and Bylaws of IEK provide that the Council may establish Committees to undertake specific functions on behalf of the Council.

In line with IEK's Constitution and Bylaws, the Council shall establish a Committee to be known as Membership Committee. The Committee may establish sub-Committees to assist it in the conduct if its business provided the Council approves such action.

The committee shall work within these terms of reference and as directed by the Council to meet the expectations of members. The committee term is two years.

#### 2. Purpose

The primary mandate of the Membership Committee to promote growth in membership of all classes; create diverse, inclusive and supportive mentorship programme, oversee membership application processes and promote the welfare, diversity and inclusion of membership of all classes by ensuring needs of all members are catered for regardless of their race, gender or creed.

The committee comprises of Welfare Subcommittee and the Mentorship Board whose scope of work is given in **Appendix 1.** 

# 3. Relevant Strategic Goals and Objectives.

The IEK Membership Committee will contribute towards the achievement of **Strategic goal 1**, **The people- Membership** with which the main **objective** is to enhance IEK as an inclusive, revered and member-driven learned society of the engineering profession.

## 4. Responsibilities and Functions

The committee will provide quarterly updates/report containing details on objectives, tasks, Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), targets, and timelines accomplished, aligned with the implementation's matrix as seen in **Appendix 2.** 

The responsibilities and primary functions of this committee are: -

### a) Maintain quality membership.

- i. Grow IEK Membership by 15,500
- ii. Create a one stop Portal for member services.
- iii. Hold regular member meetings and leadership forums to address member concerns and welfare.
- iv. Create clear value propositions for each membership group.
- v. Maintain excellence and recognition awards.
- vi. Reach out to inactive members to enhance inclusion and standing of membership.
- vii. Optimize the benevolent fund.
- viii. Monitor members' satisfaction levels and gather feedback to continuously improve the membership experience.

#### b) Attractiveness

- i. Improve advocacy by continuously speaking on issues engineering.
- ii. Empower Mashinani and outreach activities.
- iii. Enhance publicity, awareness and participation in National conversations through media briefings and CSR.
- iv. Enhance visibility of members through strategic partnerships with industry and other stakeholders.
- v. Champion welfare of engineers on attachment, fair remuneration and scheme of service.
- vi. Pursue linkages to support global mobility for engineers.
- vii. Actively engage in enterprise development through incubation for novel ideas and awarding excellence in engineering.

# c) Recruitment

- i. Incentivize members to assist in the recruitment of new members e.g through CPD points award.
- ii. Enhance and diversify recruitment processes- Collaborate with universities and colleges to sign up for membership of IEK as students during

- induction and as GEs after they graduate.
- iii. Engage with EBK and Academia to ensure engineering courses offered are quality and recognized.
- iv. Establish a taskforce to ensure inclusion of technicians in the activities of the Institution and track their progress through college to employment.

#### d) Retention

- i. Maintain updated database of all IEK membership categories.
- ii. Hold team capacity building through webinars and other training events.
- iii. Organize local and international industrial tours.
- iv. Enhance member feedback and communication.
- v. Create premium services for members including long serving members.

# e) Administration

- i. Receive, review and conduct professional assessment and make recommendations to the Council, to approve or reject applications for membership as appropriate.
- ii. Conduct recruitment of professional assessment panel members, develop an induction program for new panel members and conduct periodic performance reviews of the panels.
- iii. Ensure that the Institution's processes for admitting individual members are effective and comply with relevant requirements.
- iv. Review membership recruitment processes and transition requirements and advise the council on the relevant adjustments as required
- v. To present quarterly reports to the council regarding the work in progress and communicate any concern or need deemed relevant.
- vi. To create and dissolve sub-committees for undertaking specific tasks in apredetermined time frame as need arises, and to monitor their progress.
- vii. To recommend appointment of members to represent the Institution in the affairs of other bodies related to these Terms of Reference;
- viii. To develop Annual Work plans and budget for the Committee, aligned to IEK's strategic Plan, for approval by council.

ix. Provide expert advice and recommendations to the IEK Council on matters related to membership policies.

#### 5. Membership and Composition

The Committee shall comprise up to 11 members who are either IEK Fellows or Corporate members of good standing with relevant track record, academic qualification, and experience that will enable them to contribute optimally to the mandate thereof. Good standing means a person who has not resigned or has been suspended from membership or registration. They shall be fully paid up in terms of subscriptions.

The composition of the Committee will reflect as much as possible diversity objectives of IEK in discipline, gender, disability, culture or geography. Chairs of various interviewing panels are automatic members of the Committee.

The committee shall appoint one of the members as the secretary.

# 6. Committee Leadership

The Chair and the vice chair of the Committee shall be appointed by the council from amongst the current council members.

Should both the Chair and Vice-Chair be absent from a meeting, the Committee may select one of the other members of the Committee to chair the meeting.

#### 7. Meetings and Operations

The Committee shall meet at least once a month and more frequently if there are any matters of urgency to be addressed. The quorum for the committee shall be at least 5 members.

Meetings may be conducted virtually or held in- person.

The committee decisions shall be arrived at through consensus. Where a vote is deemed necessary to make a decision it may be made by a simple majority vote of meeting attendees with the chair having the casting vote.

Any Member who has not attended three or more consecutive Committee meetings (Physical or Virtual) spanning a period of more than six months, and has not contributed to the work of the committee outside meetings during the same period, may be considered as being eligible for removal from the Committee.

The Secretary will maintain accurate records of committee proceedings, decisions, and recommendations, and submit reports to the IEK Council as required through the Honorary Secretary.

#### 8. Conflicts of Interest

A conflict of interest refers to situations in which personal, occupational or financial considerations may affect or appear to affect the objectivity or fairness of decision related to the committee activities. A conflict of interest may be real, potential or perceived in nature.

Members of the Committee must comply with their legal, statutory and fiduciary duties and policy obligations, when discharging their responsibilities as members of the Committee. The Secretariat shall provide information to assist Committee members asappropriate to their functions.

Members of the Committee shall act in good faith and in the best interests of IEK as a whole, act with care and diligence and for proper purpose as per IEK policies.

Members of the Committee must disclose to the Chair and/or the Committee any actual, perceived or potential conflicts of interest, which may exist as soon as the Committee Member becomes aware of any issue and shall recuse themselves from discussion andor decisions which may involve that conflict.

### 9. Independent Advice

Subject to approval of the council, the Committee may request the CEO to engage independent expert panelist in the emerging disciplines that the council has no local expertise. The CEO will be responsible for managing any such engagement.

# 10. Task Groups/ Sub-committees

The Committee may appoint Task Groups/ sub-committees from within its membership to support it to address specific areas of the Committee's work and to undertake detailedtasks to meet the Committee goals. They can be standing or ad hoc.

Each Sub-committee shall comprise of at least three members and utmost five members. The Chairperson shall be appointed by the Membership Committee Chairperson. The Secretary shall be elected from among the Sub-committee members. Other rules of operation of Sub-committees will

be similar to those of the main Committee.

# 11. Authority

The Committee has no authority to:

- i. Incur expenditure without prior council approval.
- ii. Speak on behalf of the CEO, President or Institution of Engineers of Kenya.
- iii. Change policies or official position statements, without approval of the Council

#### 12. Review of the Terms of Reference

These Terms of Reference (ToR) shall be subject to periodic review in not more than two years and may be revised by the IEK Council to ensure alignment with the evolving needs and priorities of the institution and the engineering profession.

# 13. Appendix 1: Sub-Committee

No.	Sub-commi	ttee	Scope of work
1.	Welfare	Sub-	To address the welfare needs of IEK members, ensuring their well-being and advocating for their rights and
	committee		interests.
			i. Organize member education webinars on welfare products.
			ii. Ensure member subscriptions to welfare products ie, Benevolent fund, Medicare and Mhandisi Sacco are
			updated.
			iii. Organize wellness activities, workshops, and forums to promote physical, mental, and emotional health
			among members.
			iv. Design and implement CSR programs through voluntary schemes.
			v. To develop Annual Work plans and budget for the subcommittee.
			vi. Any other task assigned to the subcommittee.
2.	Mentorship	)	The purpose of the Mentorship Board is to form and manage an organized network of professional Engineering

#### Board

mentors across the career lifespan, to mentor identified mentees in career development and professional growth. Providing mentorship opportunities serves to promote the mission and objectives of IEK, as well as to respond to the need from mentees across the lifespan for enriched training, networking, and professional development opportunities in the field of Engineering and related competences.

- i. Recruitment and vetting of IEK mentors and mentees.
- ii. Matching and re-matching of mentors and mentees will occur at least bi-annually and as needed on a rolling admissions basis.
- iii. Management of all formal Mentorship Board communications (i.e., advertisements, calls for applications, regular correspondence with members) in collaboration with IEK secretariat.
- iv. Create IEK Mentorship Award scheme for recognition and Continuous Development Points (CPD) points (in collaboration with IEK Executive Council and Engineers Board of Kenya) and provide nominations for the awards to IEK Executive Council.
- v. Provide brief, bi-annual reports to the IEK Executive Council. This report and review may contain mentorship data and statistics (e.g., number of mentors and mentees, number and type of mentor/mentee interactions, satisfaction surveys).
- vi. Develop a workplan- delivery framework

14. Appendix 2: Implementations Matrix

Objective	Task/s	Task/s KPI Bas	Baseline	Target	Responsibili	Timeline					Budget Kshs ('000)
					ty	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
Strategic Goal I:	The People-Membership										
Strategic Objectiv	ve: Enhance IEK as an in	clusive, revered and member	-driven learn	ed society of	the engineering	profession					
	Quick Wins (short term	)									
<b>Recruitment</b> Grow	Lobby EBK to develop a prompt for members to sign up with IEK as they register with the regulator	Redirect link from EBK website to IEK website created	0	1	Membership		Quick link in place				200
Membership by	High Priority (short-me	edium term)									
15,500 a) Graduate Engineers-		No. of Graduates registered	6,193	9000	Membership	1500	3200	5000	7000	9000	
9,000 b) Corporate-		No. of Corporates registered	3,266	3000	Membership	400	1000	1700	2500	3000	
3,000 c) Companions -		No. of Technicians registered	56	900	Membership	200	380	580	800	900	
d) Technicians 900	Host bi-annual	No. of Technologists registered	40	500	Membership	100	210	320	400	500	
e) Technologists- 500	membership drives	No. of Fellows registered	162	500	Membership	80	180	300	430	500	6,000
f) Fellows-500 g) Students –		No. of Associates registered	103	200	Membership	30	80	130	170	200	
1,500 h) Associates -		No. of companions registered	2	2	Membership			1		2	
200 i) Companions 2		Affiliate firms	0	10	Membership	2	4	6	8	10	
j) Affiliate firms- 10	Elect honorary members	No. of honorary members elected	0	10	Membership	2	4	6	8	10	
k) honorary members- 10	Periodically Incentivize members that assist in recruitment of new members	No. of new members registered (all categories)		133	Membership	16	20	24	33	40	500

Objective	Task/s	KPI	Baseline	Target	Responsibili ty	bili Timeline					Budget Kshs ('000)
					''	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
	Participate in Engineers employment induction	No. of new members registered (all categories)		120	Membership	10	14	20	26	30	1,500
	Rollout subsidized student membership registration activations	No. of students registered during activations	0	200	Membership	30	32	40	48	50	500
	Market IEK to students during first year induction	No. of students registered	491	1,000	Membership	160	180	200	220	240	2,000
	Participation in Student Association dinners	No. of students registered	491	300	Membership	40	44	54	76	86	1,000
	Enter into MoUs with Universities and Colleges for recruitment of student membership through the dean of students	No. of MoUs with Academia	10	12	PRAC		3	3	3	3	600
	Quick Wins (short term	1)									
Increased	Maintain updated database for all membership categories	Updated member database	1	1	Membership	updated Member database	updated Member database	updated Member databas e	update d Memb er datab ase	updated Member databas e	300
member Retention	Send reminders to members to pay their	Established subscription reminder system	0	Continuous	us Membership	Reminders to members	Reminders to members	Reminde rs to member s	Remind ers to membe rs	Reminde rs to member s	1,000
	fees and stagger the payments in installments  Framework for staggered payment of member 0 Cosubscription	Continuous	Membership	Guideline to implement staggered payments	Implementatio n	Impleme ntation	Implem entatio n	Impleme ntation	-		

Objective	Task/s	KPI	Baseline	Target	Responsibili ty	Timeline	line				Budget Kshs ('000)
					-7	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
	Identify premium services for long serving members and for members that have served in IEK committees	Guide on premium services	0	1	Membership	Premium service guideline in place	Implementatio n	Impleme ntation	Implem entatio n	Impleme ntation	-
	Create targeted messages for the different membership age categories to increase their participation in IEK activities	# of targeted messages	0	bi-monthly	Membership	Targeted messaging	Targeted messaging	Targete d messagi ng	Target ed messag ing	Targete d messagi ng	1,200
	High Priority (short-me	edium term)									
	Conduct team capacity building through webinars	No of capacity building webinars	0	10	Membership	2	2	2	2	2	2,000
	Roll out regional and international tours for exposure  • identify landmark projects as potential tour sites for the different disciplines  • Identify sponsors to support the exposure tours  • Engage with other sectors such as travel and tourism to provide	No of International & Regional tours	0	5	Events & Functions	1	1	1	1	1	25,000

Objective	Task/s	KPI	Baseline	Target	Responsibili ty	Timeline					Budget Kshs ('000)
					',	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
	attractive packages e.g accommodation										
	Reach out to inactive members to enhance inclusion and standing of membership	% of members in good standing		60%	Membership		30%	40%	50%	60%	1,000
	Maintain excellence and recognition awards	Engineering awards	2	5	Events & Functions	Excellence & recognition Award	Excellence & recognition Award	Excellen ce & recogniti on Award	Excelle nce & recogni tion Award	Excellen ce & recogniti on Award	15,000
	Award recognition certificates for outstanding performance	Outstanding performance awards	0	5	Events & Functions	Outstanding Membership recognition	Outstanding Membership recognition	Outstan ding Member ship recogniti on	Outsta nding Memb ership recogni tion	Outstan ding Member ship recogniti on	15,000
	Strengthen Mhandisi Benevolent Fund Scheme	No. of member welfare meetings/Webinars to	0	10	Welfare	2	2	2	2	2	5,000
	Strengthen Mhandisi Medicare (Medical Insurance)	promote the scheme	0	10	Welfare	2	2	2	2	2	5,000
Improve Member Welfare	Establish Mhandisi Pension Scheme	Mhandisi Pension Scheme established	0	1	Welfare	Survey to establish the need	Meetings to promote the idea	Meeting s to promote the idea	Docum entatio n & Registr ation	Pension scheme in place	1,000
	Hold membership drives to Grow the Scheme	No. of members registered BF schemes	127	2000	Membership & Welfare	400	400	400	400	400	2,000
	scneme	No. of members registered with Mhandisi Medicare	43	6200	Membership & Welfare	1240	1240	1240	1240	1240	2,000

Objective	Task/s	КРІ	Baseline	Target	Responsibili	Timeline				Budget Kshs ('000)	
					-7	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
	Establish chapters per all membership categories to boost member engagement and involvement	Chapters established	0	7	Council	Chapters established					7,000
	Encourage feedback through the development of a complaint/feedback policy	Feedback/Complaint mechanism in place	0	1	Excom	Establishmen t of complaint mechanism	Member feedback	Member feedbac k	Memb er feedb ack	Member feedbac k	150
	High Priority (short-me	dium term)									
	Hold regular member meetings to address member concerns and welfare	No. of member welfare meetings	0	10	Council	2	2	2	2	2	5,000
Improved member Benefits	Conduct awareness campaign targeted to technicians and technologists to attract their membership	No. of awareness campaigns	0	10	Membership	2	2	2	2	2	5,000
benerits	Carry out a diagnostic study of the different engineering practices to bring out challenges and gaps, and opportunities in the sectors	Diagnostics study conducted	0	1	PRAC		Diagnostic study				1,200
	Communicate regularly and effectively to members on IEK	Social media	Continuous	Continuous	PRAC	twitter spaces, tweets, Facebook, LinkedIn	twitter spaces, tweets, Facebook, LinkedIn	twitter spaces, tweets, Facebo ok, LinkedIn	twitter spaces, tweets, Facebo ok, Linkedl n	twitter spaces, tweets, Facebo ok, LinkedIn	500
	activities	Website	Continuous	Continuous	PRAC	Up to date website	Up to date website	Up to date website	Up to date websit e	Up to date website	500

Objective	Task/s	КРІ	Baseline	Target	Responsibili	Timeline					Budget Kshs ('000)
					,	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
		Member portal	Continuous	Continuous	PRAC	member information system	member information system	member informat ion system	membe r inform ation system	member informat ion system	500
		Newsletters and regular correspondence on important events	Weekly	Weekly	PRAC	Weekly newsletters	Weekly newsletters	Weekly newslett ers	Weekl y newslet ters	Weekly newslett ers	3,000
	Long Term				Т	Т	Т	1			
	Operationalize IEK mentorship academy	Established mentorship Academy	0	Mentorshi p Academy	Learning & Capacity Building	Concept not and documentati on	Recruitment of mentors Virtual Academy	Mentor ship progra ms	Mentor ship progra m	Mentors hip progra m Academ y in Plaza	10,000
		No. of members mentored	1,300 Students	1,110	Learning & Capacity Building			300	360	450	2,000
	Quick Wins (short term	)									
Falamond	Develop and implement price differentiation in all IEK activities so that members pay less than non-members	Price differentiation framework in place	0	1	Membership	Price differentiati on framework developed	Price differentiatio n implementatio n	Price differen tiation impleme ntation	Price differe ntiation implem entatio n	Price differen tiation impleme ntation	1,000
proportion	Develop member Mobile App	IEK Mobile App	0	1	Membership		Mobile App developed and launched	Up to date App	Up to date App	Up to date App	600
	Review the recruitment forms for GEs and Technicians	Reviewed membership recruitment form	0	1	Membership	Updated Recruitment form					20
	High Priority (short-me	dium term)									

Objective	Task/s	KPI	Baseline	Target	Responsibili ty	Timeline					Budget Kshs ('000)
					''	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
	Establish MOUs to provide member lifestyle benefits for those in good standing (e.g mortgages, insurance, software purchases, fuel, engineering standards etc)	No. of MOUs entered	0	5	Membership	1 MOU	1 MOU	1 MOU	1 MOU	1 MOU	500
	Rotational hosting of President's dinner in the Branches	No. of President dinner hosted at IEK branches	0	10	Events & Functions	2	2	2	2	2	10,000
	Create a Career Portal to support membership in securing placement, jobs, mentorship, scholarships and exchange programs	Career portal	0	1	Membership	Career portal in place	Career Opportunities	Career Opportu nities	Career Oppor tunities	Career Opportu nities	3,000
	Create a listing of procurement opportunities for engineering enterprises	Procurement listing at IEK Website	0	1	Membership	Link to procurement opportunities	Procurement opportunities list	Procure ment opportu nities list	Procur ement opport unities list	Procure ment opportu nities list	200
	Liaise with employers of engineers to advertise employment opportunities on IEK website as well	Engineering job posting on IEK website	0	1	Membership	Job listing page IEK website	Updated job listings	Update d job listings	Updat ed job listings	Update d job listings	200
	Participate in Career fairs to identify potential employers for membership	No. of career fairs	0	15	Events & Functions	3	3	3	3	3	3,000
	Implement a robust member portal for engineers which is accessible to the public and which	Database of engineers	0	1	Membership	Engineers database	Updated database	Update d databas e	Updat ed datab ase	Update d databas e	1,000

Objective	Task/s	КРІ	Baseline	Target	Responsibili ty	Timeline	Timeline				Budget Kshs ('000)
					''	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
	engineers can dynamically update with their information to facilitate their identification and access to the professional services they offer										
	Create a platform where professional engineers and consultants can offer job opportunities to the GEs	Platform for GEs to access jobs from member PEs and consultants	0	1	Membership	Collaboratio n platform	Job listings	Job listings	Job listings	Job listings	550
	Establish and market a clear value proposition for all membership categories including	Clearly defined value propositions	0	1	Membership	Membership value proposition in place	Marketing of the value proposition	Marketi ng of the value proposit ion	Market ing of the value propos ition	Marketi ng of the value proposit ion	-
	through targeted communication to the different membership groups	% member transition to higher levels of membership		20%	Membership	Track member transition	Track member transition	Track member transitio n	Track membe r transiti on	Track member transitio n	-
	Enhance publicity, awareness and participation of IEK in National conversations through media briefings	No. of media briefings	11	20	PRAC	4	4	4	4	4	1,000
	Champion welfare of engineers on attachment, fair remuneration and scheme of service	No. of roundtable meetings with policy makers	20	20	PRAC	2	3	5	7	3	2,000

Objective	Task/s	KPI	Baseline	Target	Responsibili ty	Timeline				Vanu E	Budget Kshs ('000)
					1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
	Establish MoUs to provide jobs and linkages for membership at global level	No. of MoUs with international organizations	4	5	PRAC	1	1	1	1	1	100
	Actively engage in enterprise development through incubation for novel ideas	No. of engineering enterprises established	0	30	Membership	6	6	6	6	6	3,000
	Publicize CSR activities on climate change through the media and online	No. of CSR activities	3	10	Events & Functions	2	2	2	2	2	2,000
	Long Term										
	Engage SRC to revise entry salary and benefits for graduate engineers	Reviewed entry level salary for GEs	0	1	PRAC	Position Pape	Round table meetings	Reviewe r entry salary for GEs	Implem entatio n	Impleme ntation	800
	Engage the Public Service Commission for inclusion of IEK membership as a requirement for employment of engineers	Directive/circular issued to all public entities	0	1	PRAC	Position Pape	Round table meetings	Round table meeting s	Circula r issued	Impleme ntation by public entities	800

### 15. Appendix 3: COMMITTEE NOMINATION PROFORMA CURRICULUM VITAE

# a) GENERAL INFORMATION

Name:
Date of Birth:
ID number:
County:
Gender:
Disability:
Professional Registration:
IEK membership number:
Other Professional affiliations:
Engineering Discipline:
Years of experience post-qualification:
b) PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# **Specialization:**

Keys Experience: (Brief summary of most important work during stages of your career)

# c) INVOLVEMENT IN THE PROFESSION

Contribution to IEK council, IEK Committees, Professional Associations, and societies (local andinternational).

### d) KEY RELEVANT ATTRIBUTES AND CONTRIBUTION TO OFFER TOTHE NEW COUNCIL/COMMITTEE

(why you should be appointed?)

Note: CV should be maximum 4 pages.