



EThekweni Maritime Cluster

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Moving forward I would love to encourage everyone mostly the youth to take part in maritime studies. There are many opportunities that are there within the maritime sector. I am confident that those who set sail upon a maritime degree or other qualification related to the maritime sector will find it both enjoyable and very rewarding. I am happy to say you will be looking at a respectable and attractive career in an industry that contributes 90% of everything to world trade. With that said, we are beginning the month of May which is most important at EMC. During this month EMC partake in a Careers Expo event, helping the youth make wise and informed career decisions. This year’s Careers Expo will be hosted from the 23 May 2019 to 25 May 2019. I edge and invite all youth of every ages to attend the Careers Expo 2019.

Not forgetting to send our gratitude to Mr. Peter Sanden (SES expert representative) who was working closely with our Enterprise & Supply Development (ESD). As EMC we would like to extend our most gratitude for the advice and his insight, they were highly appreciated. We are looking forward to working with him in the near future. Sanden.

Inside this issue you will grace yourself and read more on the Enterprise and Supply Development programme developments (As we bid farewell to Mr. Sanden). The Sail Africa awards ceremony, Industry story-Durban Harbors fight against Plastic pollution and recent floods havoc.



Message from the MD

As we end the month of April I would like to send my deepest condolences to the families that were affected by the recent drought that took place in most of the city’s surrounding areas. The city management unit and TNPA did a stunning job recuperating, Cleaning, and availing much needed support to those who were affected.

EMC Enterprise & Supply Development 2.0



Pictured above Enterprise & Supply Development beneficiaries with Mr. Peter Sanden (Back) and Ms. Zenzile Makelo (Front)



Pictured above Mr Peter Sanden(Left) and Ms. Zenzile Makelo(Right)

As we bid farewell to our Senior Experten Services (SES) representative Mr. Peter Sanden (Mr. Sanden hereafter), a final feedback session was conducted. The purpose of Mr. Sanden's visit to EThekweni Maritime Cluster (EMC) was to assist in re-engineering its operations and strengthening corporate governance in an advisory role in line with his expertise. "I wish to aid the evolution of the Enterprise and Supply Development programme by inspiring and providing a different perspective as well as harnessing the abilities of the relevant stakeholders to tackle problems in innovative ways and demonstrate a genuine commitment to teamwork, people and diversity," said Mr. Sanden. The anticipated result of his role at EMC was to build on the proposed education and graduate placement programme and where he would offer guidance by putting forward his experience. This was inclusive of giving hints on acquiring funds for interest parties alike by exploring untapped industrial sectors such as the automobile, construction, freight forwarding, logistics, and trading industry. Embarking on the prospect of engaging the possibilities for the upskilling of the management and skills education operations. All of this was to be achieved through applying a 360-degree view of development and the presenting of opportunity for development both personally and workwise.

During his final speech he spoke on the ports and their relative competitiveness according to the study conducted by the World Bank and SES. Highlighting the Importance of creating a great relationship with shipping agents such as Kings & Sons. "Not everyone has got into the ports without experience, however it's attainable. Whenever there's a need for experience people can give experience" said Mr. Sanden speaking on the complexity of infiltrating the maritime industry as a SMME in the Durban port area. In Mr. Sanden's feedback he addressed logistic performance index and a study conducted based on data captured from Durban University of Technology and SES for the purposes of comparison

between local and international standards. This was serve as a benchmarking tool on how to improve locally. This is with regard to efficiency; quality of trade and transport; competitive transport prices; quality of logistic services and the prospective outcome of successful truck trade. With the help of Mr. Sanden EMC has been in a series of engagements with the various entities to partner in the implementation of the Enterprise & Supplier Development (ESD) Programme. The following are the companies that have been approached and is to partner with EMC in implementing the program: CVC Africa, SEDA, Innovate Durban, Bosch South Africa and EThekweni Business support, EThekweni Engineering Department, Productivity SA, DUT, CSIR , JCI, and recently the SES through Mr. Sanden's intervention.

The desired result of having Mr. Sanden work on re-engineering EMC and its operation in particular that of the ESD programme was for the growth of the organization. It is ideal for the ESD programme to reach a platform where they are well established, independent and fully functioning within the industry. Currently the programme is at the phase where most administration is currently underway and moving forward, the beneficiaries will have to obtain compliances and licenses to operate within the three core commodities being waste management, stevedoring and health & safety.

“EMC SAILS WITH SAIL AFRICA”



Pictured above: EMC Acting MD Ms. N. Sokhela and Sail Africa's Jackie Barnard, presenting the best Nautical School award to Sithengile High School.



Pictured above: Jackie Barnard with the senior lads.

Ethekwini Maritime Cluster (EMC), in its industry players Partnership, is the major promoter of Sail Africa and has been 'sailing with Sail Africa' for some time now. On the 06 April 2019 Sail Africa Youth Development Foundation hosted their annual prize giving ceremony at the Point Yacht Club.

The prize giving ceremony was attended by a number of people who were either school learners, university students, parents and everyone associated with Sail Africa programs. The awards ranged from the Interschool medals and trophies to the educational enrichment awards such as the Durban University of Technology (DUT) students water safety certificates. On the day, the award went to Eugen Blose – The Royal Natal Yacht Clubs 'Most Improved Sailor' and Smangaliso Dlamini – 'The spirit of Sail Africa' award. These young men began sailing whilst at JG Zuma High School and now are at DUT and a part of the DUT sailing club. The EMC sponsored trophy for the 'Best Nautical School' went to Sithengile High School of Clermont Township. Glenwood Boys High School proved yet again superior on the water taking both the A and B interschool's regatta divisions, whilst another young team led by Amanda Gasa scooped 'the most promising junior sailor award'.

After this these young sailors will go on to compete in the upcoming regatta, as Ethekwini Maritime Cluster we wish them all the best. There were many other awards given to the Sail Africa Programs participants and EMC would like to congratulate each and everyone of them.



Pictured above A group of young sailors from Glenwood Boys High School

Sail Africa thanked mostly their sponsors, supporters and friends who turned out in numbers to support the prize giving ceremony. Without their continued support none of this would be possible.

EMC Hails TNPA after Floods wreak havoc in the port of Durban



Pictured above: The aftermath of storm that hit Durban

Durban harbour's fight against plastic. In light of the recent state of the Durban harbour due to the heavy rains that ensued, Transnet National Ports Authority (TNPA) acted on the matter promptly and commenced a major clean-up in to remove the large volume of waste that collected at the port. The result of the flooding highlighted that true state of pollution in our oceans. Assessments are being carried out to enforce the most effective manner of combating the effects of the storm and analysing the full extent of the damage caused.

“Our thoughts are with all those affected by the recent heavy rains and flooding. We would also like to appeal to the public to please help curb plastic pollution as this causes huge problems when the debris flows into the harbour,” she said acting Durban Port Manager, Nokuzola Nkowane.

Amongst the intermingled debris that collected at the Durban port consisted of harmful objects that posed a threat to the degree of safe navigation of the harbour craft which are used to guide vessels around the port. Only a few days after World Earth day on the 22nd of April 2019 and in light of the recent storm in Durban that raised the harsh reality of how we are destroying our oceans. We as society must take up the responsibility for the sustainability of our oceans economy and the well-being of the coastal environment. Creating awareness and promoting sustainable practices is of paramount importance in order to grow our ocean's economy.



Pictured above: The Durban Port

Interventions by the TNPA and the EThekweni Municipality are currently underway in addressing the waste issue at the Durban port from the municipal storm water network which drains a significant portion of the Durban metropolitan area.

There are many ways an active citizen can contribute to combating this problem of pollution in our beautiful city. Avoiding single-use plastic such as plastic straws and plastic packaging. It takes hundreds of years to completely biodegrade yet its durability minimal before being discarded. The practice of recycling by avoiding throwing away recyclable items with one's normal waste items, should form part of one's weekly waste disposal routine. Items such as glass, cardboard, paper, canned food and cool drink can made out of tin or aluminium as well as plastic bottles for drinks and cleaning products. All of these recyclable items should be rinsed out before being placed in a recycling bin or garbage bag. Getting involved in clean-ups, especially along the beaches to form part one's weekend activities. Actively supporting organizations such as Durban Green Corridors, Durban Partnership Pollution (D-PAPP) and Greenpeace Africa which help fight plastic and other pollution.

In these ways one can exercise their active citizenship by taking responsibility of the future of our oceans and hopefully create a ripple effect in their households to their community

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Pictured above: An example of Share an Ocean moment Picture

The air we breath: The Ocean produces half the worlds oxygen and absorbs 50 times more carbon dioxide than our atmosphere. climate regulations: Covering 70% of the earths surface, the ocean transport heat from the equator to the poles regulating our climate and weather patterns. Having 7 oceans: the Arctic ocean; the North Atlantic Ocean; the Southern Atlantic Ocean; the Indian Ocean; the North Pacific Ocean; the South Pacific Ocean; and the Southern (or Antarctic) Ocean. All people of the earth should be embracing and be grateful for what the Ocean has offered.

What defines the greatness of men? Is it the results you get? Or the commitment to pursuit your dreams? Some people are afraid of the Ocean, while some of us cannot live without dropping 40 feet waves.

Life itself arose from the Ocean. With its enormity and mystery, the ocean has forever been part of human life. If the ocean has always been part of the human consciousness, then it is all left to us (human beings) to how we preserve and utilize the Ocean. Swami Govindananda once wrote: We are an extraordinary species.

The plethora of way we express our lives is breathtaking as it is be wildering in its complexity. Astonishingly, out of 7 billion human beings on Earth, you will not find any two of life experiences that are the same. Yet in all this a pattern has emerged in which ones attitude towards life can be distilled down into just two areas. The quality of your life will unfold according to which attitude you subscribe to: whether you view life with a small picture mentality, or you view and get the bigger picture.

At Ethekwini Maritime Cluster we embrace and promotes “Ocean as a way of Life”. Hence we have initiated a Social media campaign which aims at promoting and embracing the Ocean as a way of life.



KZN Career Expo

23rd – 25th of May 2019

Durban Exhibition Centre | 08h30 - 17h00



The eThekwini Maritime Cluster (EMC) is a non-profit company that was launched in 2009. The EMC provides a platform for collaborative engagement between different levels of government, state owned enterprises and the maritime community to implement programs of common interest that support the growth and improve performance and competitiveness of the maritime industry.

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