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BUILDING ETHICAL ORGANISATIONS: FROM MOTHER’S PERSPECTIVE

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As we celebrate mothers in the month of May, we pause to reflect on the pivotal role that mothers play in shaping society. Mothers are a pillar of strength at home, in society and in business. We draw important lessons from motherhood in order to understand how we should strengthen our organisations and inculcate values and principles in building ethical organisations.

Motherhood is associated with growth, responsibility, love, care and many other things done in order to prepare a child for adulthood. This role can be defined by social, cultural, religious and biological attributes but the essence of motherhood is about forming a relationship with a child. It involves imparting values and knowledge to a child, with a hope that the child will uphold these principles in their journey through life. Similarly, labour law, policies and other factors influence basic conditions of employment or the relationship between an organisation and employees; yet the real relationship (the bond) is not captured in these regulations.

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5th ANNUAL ETHICSSA CONFERENCE A HUGE SUCCESS

“Knowledge is power. Information is liberating. Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family.” - Kofi Annan



The 5th Annual Ethics Conference that was successfully held on 18 March 2015 is proof of these words. The speakers who shared their wisdom and experience not only contributed to the wealth of knowledge about ethics, and specifically getting everybody on board; they also equipped delegates with the power to make a positive change. A flash mob and other selected tastes of industrial theatre provided a delightful interlude from all of the serious talks, as well as showcasing different ways of providing training and awareness about ethics in organisations.

The exhibitors, Inoxico, USB-Ed, Zinto, The Institute of Commercial Forensic Practitioners and Siemens as well as The Ethics Institute of South Africa, provided interesting information and services while delegates had the opportunity to discuss ethics and network with the variety of delegates who were present. Of course all of this would not be possible without the anchor sponsor, Siemens, and the supporting sponsors, Altron, MTN and UNISA, and their contributions are much appreciated.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES VIA WEBVAULT

As part of our initiative to conserve energy and resources, EthicsSA has decided to move away from paper-based printed membership certificates and irregular postal services. To this end, we will secure a personal and secure Webvault for each member. Your Webvault can also be used to store documents, certificates, and data so that you can retrieve them via the internet anywhere and at any time. You will be provided with initial login

INVITATION TO ATTEND OUR "BRIGHT SIDE OF ETHICS" MEMBER EVENT

SAVE THE DATE!!! SAVE THE DATE!!! SAVE THE DATE!!!

The 1st complimentary member's event for all EthicsSA members will be hosted on 24 July 2015.

This informal business breakfast will be your opportunity to interact with the EthicsSA team, network with other members and discuss the topic "The Bright side of ethics: The positive psychology of ethics".

Date: 24 July 2015

Venue: Blandford Manor, Randburg

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***Formal invitation with detailed information will be sent to all members in due course.**

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