

SAEE Hall of Fame inductee 2013 – Dieter Kruger

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The Southern African Association for Energy Efficiency (SAEE) 'Hall of Fame' was established in August 2009 with the first award presented to the late Dr Ian Ernest Lane.

This high honour is bestowed on an individual whose service, dedication, commitment and selfless hours are given to the energy industry, particularly in the fields of Engineering, Built Environment, Environmental Studies and Energy Efficiency.

It was announced in 2009 that the award would be named after the late Dr Ian Ernest Lane in his memory.



At the 2013 SAEE banquet held at Emperor's palace on the 13th of November, the Ian Ernest Lane Hall of Fame award was presented to Dieter Kruger by the SAEE president Karel Steyn.

Dieter Kruger is a professional engineer and a Certified Energy Manager. As project manager for EL Bateman he was responsible for various construction projects in the coal mining and processing sector.

He was later appointed as director of the CSIR's Division of Energy Technology and in 2002 he joined North West University as senior lecturer in the Faculty of Engineering, where he supervised MSc and PhD students and published several engineering articles focusing on energy optimization and efficiency. He then joined Africon (now Aurecon) in 2006 as a project manager.

His Lifelong interest in energy and energy conservation is evident in his day to day activities and passion in energy related work. He represented RSA on several national and international forums on energy, including International Committee for Coal Research (ICCR), World Energy Council (WEC, through SANCWEC, the SA National Committee of the WEC) and the SA National Committee for Energy Research (NCER).

He is also the secretary of the SA Association of Energy Services Companies (SAAEs) since its formation in 2005 and a part-time consultant for South African company BBEnergy.

Dieter has been an asset to the South African Energy Efficiency Industry since very early in his career when he first became coordinator of the CSIR's National Energy Programme in 1983.

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