

## **Yokogawa Training Courses Accredited for CPD Points**

Johannesburg, South Africa – 17 August 2015 - Yokogawa South Africa is proud to announce the accreditation of its training courses by the Society for Automation Instrumentation Measurement and Control (SAIMC), for Continuous Professional Development (CPD) points for registered professionals of the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA).

For the first time in Yokogawa's 100 year history, field instrumentation and control systems training courses offered by Yokogawa South Africa have been evaluated and accredited by a professional body. It has been a lengthy process of six years to reach this important milestone which was spearheaded by Yokogawa's Service Training Manager, Nico Marneweck. "We believe that the recognition of our training courses will make a meaningful contribution to the competency of South African and African Industrial Automation", explains Marneweck.

SAIMC is an ECSA recognised voluntary association which has the ability to validate courses for CPD points. A total of fourteen courses covering field instrumentation and control systems have been accredited. Yokogawa has embarked on a strong drive towards training and skills development since 2009 offering training courses at the Yokogawa South Africa Head Office in Roodepoort or onsite at customer premises as well as 12 month student internship programmes. Since 2011, Yokogawa South Africa has successfully trained over 1200 people.

## **About Yokogawa**

Yokogawa's global network of 88 companies spans 56 countries. Founded in 1915, the US\$3.5 billion company conducts cutting-edge research and innovation. Yokogawa is active in the Industrial Automation and Control (IA), Test and Measurement, and other businesses segments. The IA segment plays a vital role in a wide range of industries including Oil & Gas, Chemical, Food & Beverage, Iron & Steel, LNG Supply Chain, Petrochemical, Oil & Gas, Pharmaceutical, Power, Pulp & Paper, Refining, Renewable Energy and Water & Wastewater.

Yokogawa South Africa (Pty) Limited is an empowered South African company jointly owned by Identity Capital Partners (Pty) Ltd, a local black women-owned organisation, and Yokogawa Europe

BV, incorporated in the Netherlands. Yokogawa Europe BV is owned by Yokogawa Electric

Corporation, a Japanese company listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Yokogawa South Africa (Pty) Limited's comprehensive solutions range from sensors such as

Pressure transmitters, Temperature, Flow meters, Level and Liquid & Gas Analysers) and network

solution products, to control and safety systems. This includes the software for advanced control that

optimises productivity; and services that minimise plant lifecycle costs. Yokogawa South Africa's

Service Training Department is accredited and proficient in theoretical and practical training for

Instrumentation and Control systems from first principles. Our Internship Programme contributes to

the continued technical skills improvement in South Africa.

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