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## **SAPMA And Corrosion Institute Join Forces For Training**

The SA Paint Manufacturers Association (SAPMA) and the Corrosion Institute of Southern Africa (CorrISA) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding that will add substantial benefits to the training offered by both industry representative bodies.

The MoU was signed recently by Deryck Spence, executive director of SAPMA, and Hendrick Raseboppe, executive director of CorrISA.

Spence says CorrISA will now incorporate its own training into SAPMA's SETA-accredited paint application courses so that CorrISA – which does not hold government accreditation for its training – can offer its members the opportunity to recover funds spent on skills development training back from the government.

“The existing SAPMA paint application courses will be augmented and modified to include anti-corrosion and spray application training for industrial projects obtained from the extensive curriculum of CorrISA training programmes. Anti-corrosion measures are not covered in depth in SAPMA courses so this broadens the scope of the SAPMA paint application tuition. CorrISA, on the other hand, benefits from now having accreditation for its training courses,” Spence explains.

For SAPMA, another major benefit is that CorrISA will now allow SAPMA to carry out training at the well-equipped training and laboratory facilities operated by CorrISA. SAPMA was in urgent need for such a training venue.

“Another benefit is dual membership: SAPMA members will now also become CorrISA members, and vice versa,” Spence adds.

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**SA's official coatings and corrosion controlling industries' training has been boosted through a collaborative initiative signed recently.**

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