



Memorandum of Understanding

ASHRAE SA Chapter

And

SAIRAC

Founded in 1894, ASHRAE, New York advances the arts and sciences of heating ventilating, air-conditioning and refrigeration to serve humanity and promote a sustainable world.

SAIRAC was founded on the 28th of February 1951, a visionary scientist called together a group of like-minded people and implemented a vision that SAIRAC still recognizes today, to form an institute of airconditioning and refrigeration and share knowledge.

ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC have had a long and mutually rewarding relationship and this Memorandum seeks to ensure that this is on-going to the benefit of the industry and our members.

ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to support the Memorandum of Understanding to advance and promote the mutual interests of their respective members and employees. We are committed to working together toward on the following activities and goals:

CONSISTENT LEADERSHIP COMMUNICATION

Recognizing the importance of communication in organizational collaboration, both organizations commit to hold a liaison meeting bi-annually (either in person or via conference call) of designated ASHRAE SA Chapter / SAIRAC representatives to:

- Ensure ongoing advancement of collaborative projects.
- Keep each respective organization informed of major initiatives.
- Discuss new opportunities for collaboration.

ASHRAE SA Chapter / SAIRAC shall take responsibility for initiating the first annual liaison meeting. Action items with assigned responsibilities shall be recorded at each meeting. The parties responsible for ensuring this MOU is actively pursued through the term of the agreement are:

For ASHRAE SA Chapter:

President
AO Soluade
Vice President
RO Humphrey

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For SAIRAC:

President
J Pieterse
Vice President
R Fox

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CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Each organization agrees to provide the other with a meeting invitation and two complimentary VIP registrations to the primary Chapter Annual General Meeting.

Each organization agrees to provide open attendance as a non-voting member at each other's meetings on an on-going basis for the president, vice president or by proxy.

ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to explore opportunities to provide speakers at the other organization's meetings to help provide updates and perspectives on technologies and trends of mutual interest.

Where mutually beneficial, each organization shall help publicize the other organization's meetings and promote attendance, ensuring that any such advertising is made in accordance with the ASHRAE Commercialism Policy.

At all times, costs of attendance on local courses will be the same as if each other's members hold membership in each association. International courses are dictated to by the ASHRAE Society and the local Ashrae SA Chapter cannot set these amounts.

Dual technical courses and events are to be encouraged by each association on a yearly basis by the careful implementation and sharing of yearly training courses and event calendars.

ASHRAE SA Chapter acknowledges that the Fridgair conference is wholly owned and successfully operated by SAIRAC and will not interfere with the regular promotion and occurrence of this event. It will assist in the successful advertising of this event and ensure that the technical program is internationally and locally planned and catered for where requested by SAIRAC.

In the same assistance, SAIRAC acknowledges that the Region At Large Chapter Regional Conference and SA Chapter Conference occurs on a yearly basis and is technical in nature not an exhibition and will similarly offer support and promotion of these events when they occur.

CHAPTER COLLABORATION

ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to coordinate promotion of joint grassroots meetings of respective members. This will be implemented by sharing of the advertisement for the events with the secretary of each association for distribution to their database of members.

Exchange of Chapter leader contact information will be considered as one way to accomplish this objective as agreed by each association.

Dual membership is to be promoted and recognized by each association.

ADVOCACY

Where mutually beneficial and to the extent allowed by laws and corporate policies, ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to work together on common public affairs goals and ideologies. During annual liaison meetings, public affairs strategies will be discussed and common goals identified. Collaborative opportunities to be considered include:

- Joint promotion of codes and standards at the local and Government levels.

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- Promoting mutually beneficial positions during the development and passage of local and Government legislation.
- Education of legislators on issues important to the members of each organization.

PUBLICATIONS

Recognizing that electronic and print publications are a primary means of disseminating new technologies, trends and practices, ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to:

- Provide at least one complimentary subscription the primary membership periodical to be received at the headquarters location of the other organization.
- Explore opportunities to jointly produce publications of mutual benefit.
- Cross-market each organization's publications where appropriate and with industry standard distributor discounts.
- Use periodicals to promote the other organization's events, publications and other activities.
- Explore mutually beneficial ways to ensure ASHRAE publications are available for distribution SAIRAC's members where made possible by the Society.

EDUCATION

As leading providers of conventional and online educational services and in recognition of the vital role professional development has for our respective members, ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to:

- Cross-market educational offerings and the regional, national and international levels.
- Explore opportunities to co-develop new courses or other training programs that take advantage of overlapping and complimentary expertise between ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC,
- Discuss ways that certifications programs can be jointly developed or administered.

TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES COORDINATION

ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to foster technical cooperation in areas of common interest by:

- Encourage members in each organization to participate on technical committees and task forces.
- Provide opportunities to participate in and comment on proposed standards, guidelines, policies, and position statements developed on technical subjects as they relate to buildings and community developments.
- Establish liaison representatives to key technical committees where mutually beneficial to do so.

RESEARCH

Recognizing the importance research plays in accelerating the transformation to a more sustainable built environment, ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC agree to:

- Promote research in areas where research results will add to the body of knowledge in sustainability;
- Disseminate research results quickly, focusing on high-impact findings.
- Identify opportunities for research funding from other sources.
- Assist in Ashrae Research Promotion funding where possible.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACTS

The administrative contacts for actions tied to this MOU shall be:

For ASHRAE SA Chapter:

Secretary
Mischa Tessendorf

For SAIRAC:

National Secretary
Marlene Gamble

TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this MOU, with or without stated cause, upon providing the other party with thirty (30) days written notice of intent to terminate.

TERM

The term of this Memorandum of Understanding shall begin when signed by both parties and shall terminate at the end of three (3) years unless extended at that time by written agreement.

LEGAL STANDING

This MOU reflects a commitment by ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC to continue and enhance their working relationship and individual efforts toward achieving mutual objectives described above. It does not create a binding obligation or agreement between the two organizations, and neither organization has an obligation to negotiate toward or enter into a binding written agreement.

In addition, this MOU does not create a partnership, joint venture, fiduciary relationship or similar relationship between ASHRAE SA Chapter and SAIRAC. Furthermore, it is understood that this Memorandum of Understanding is conceived as a dynamic document, meant to change as circumstances and priorities warrant. It may be modified or amended by written agreement between both organizations.

FOR ASHRAE SA Chapter

FOR SAIRAC


Printed Name/Title

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Olu Soluade, President 2020/21

J Pieterse, President





Signature

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27/05/2021

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R Humphrey, Vice President
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