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ICE West Midlands: Competition

Celebrating Smeaton's 300-year legacy

Deadline: Friday, 28 June 2024

Email your entry to ice.westmidlands@ice.org.uk no later than midday on Friday, 28 June 2024.

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In June this year, John Smeaton would have celebrated his 300th birthday. Smeaton was the first person to identify himself as a civil engineer. Since then, the civil engineering profession has changed considerably.

Join Mike Chrimes, former director of engineering policy and innovation at Institution of Civil Engineers, for an insight into some of John Smeaton's key projects. This event will be held in **Birmingham on Thursday, 2 May 2024** and available online. This event will provide an excellent opportunity for those with an interest in the history of civil engineering.

Test your general knowledge!

For a chance to win a seat at the ICE West Midlands Awards gala dinner taking place on Thursday, 19 September 2024 at the Macdonald Burlington Hotel in Birmingham, ICE West Midlands Regional Chair Hudson Taivo is inviting ICE members who are students, graduates, and apprentices to answer the following:

What are the three biggest challenges facing the civil engineering profession in the next 30 years? (300 words strict maximum).

Rules for entry:

Originality

Entrants must demonstrate evidence of original thinking by contributing new viewpoints or express and synthesising them in a new way.

Judges will evaluate how the essay contributes innovative insights or creativity integrated existing viewpoints.

Critical Analysis

Entrants are required to provide an adequate critical analysis of why they have identified the three main challenges facing the profession in the next 30 years.

Entrants are allowed to incorporate and reference Smeaton's work.

Judges will evaluate the depth and quality of critical analysis, assessing the reasoning behind the identified challenges.

Structure

Essays must adhere to a structured format, comprising a clear introduction, main body and conclusion.

Judges will assess the coherence of the essay, evaluating its readability and clarity conveying ideas.

How to enter:

Email your answer to the ICE West Midlands Regional Support Team (RST) by midday on Friday, 28 June 2024, with the headline **ICE West Midlands: Celebrating Smeaton's 300-year legacy**.

Please note, entrants must be over 18 years old. Open to ICE members who are students, graduates, and apprentices.



Scan the QR code to register your place at the 'Celebrating Smeaton's 300-year legacy' event!