

**The South African Council for the Architectural
Profession
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(SACAP: Legal and Compliance)**

BCO'S STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 25 August 2016 @ 09h00 – 16h00, NRCS Pretoria



SACAP – WHO ARE WE



The South African Council for the Architectural Profession (SACAP) is a **statutory** body established by an Act of Parliament and Governed by the Architectural Profession Act, No 44 of 2000.

**SACAP IS THE OFFICIAL REGULATOR
FOR
THE ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSIONS
IN
SOUTH AFRICA**

REGULATION – BRIEF OVERVIEW

THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
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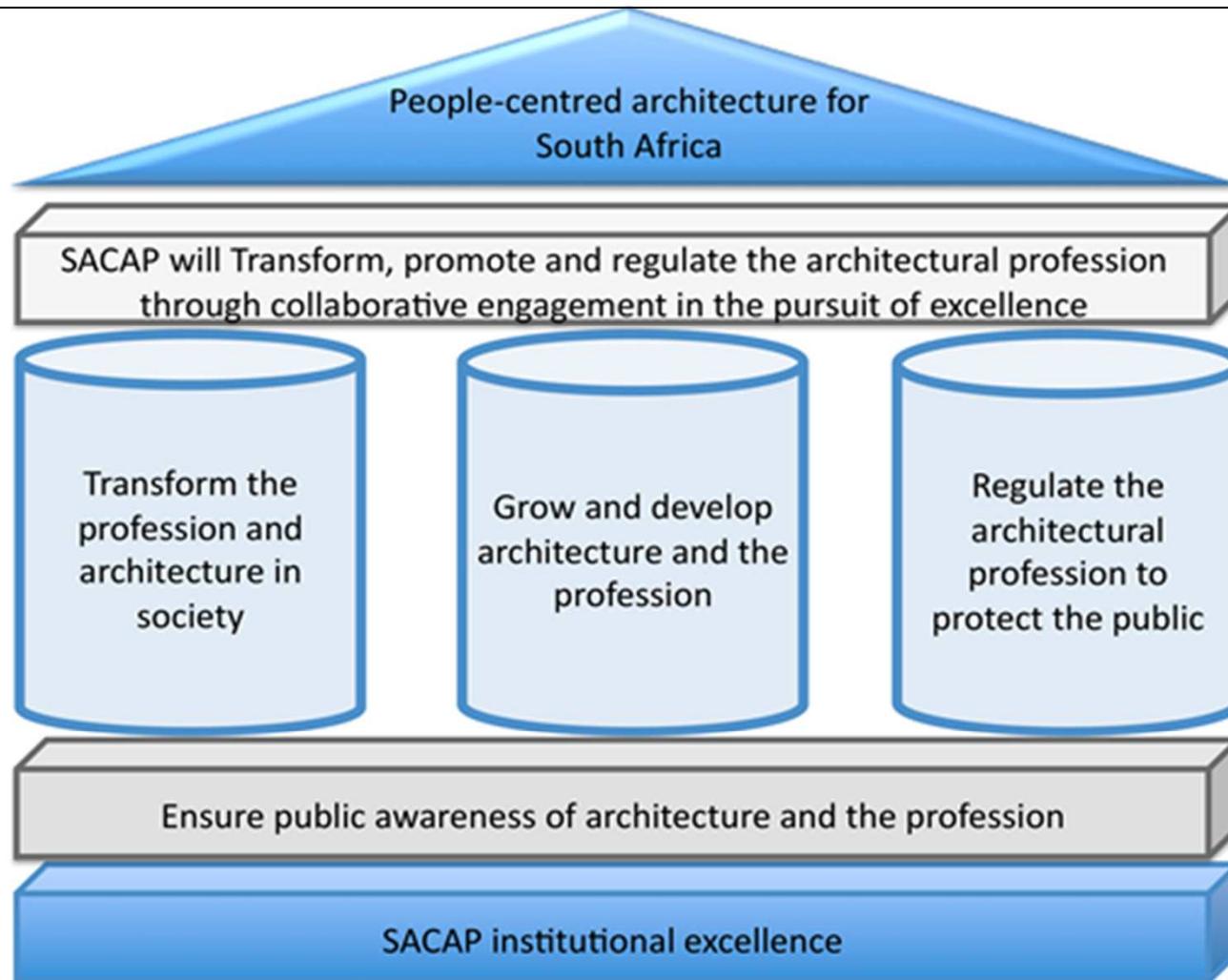
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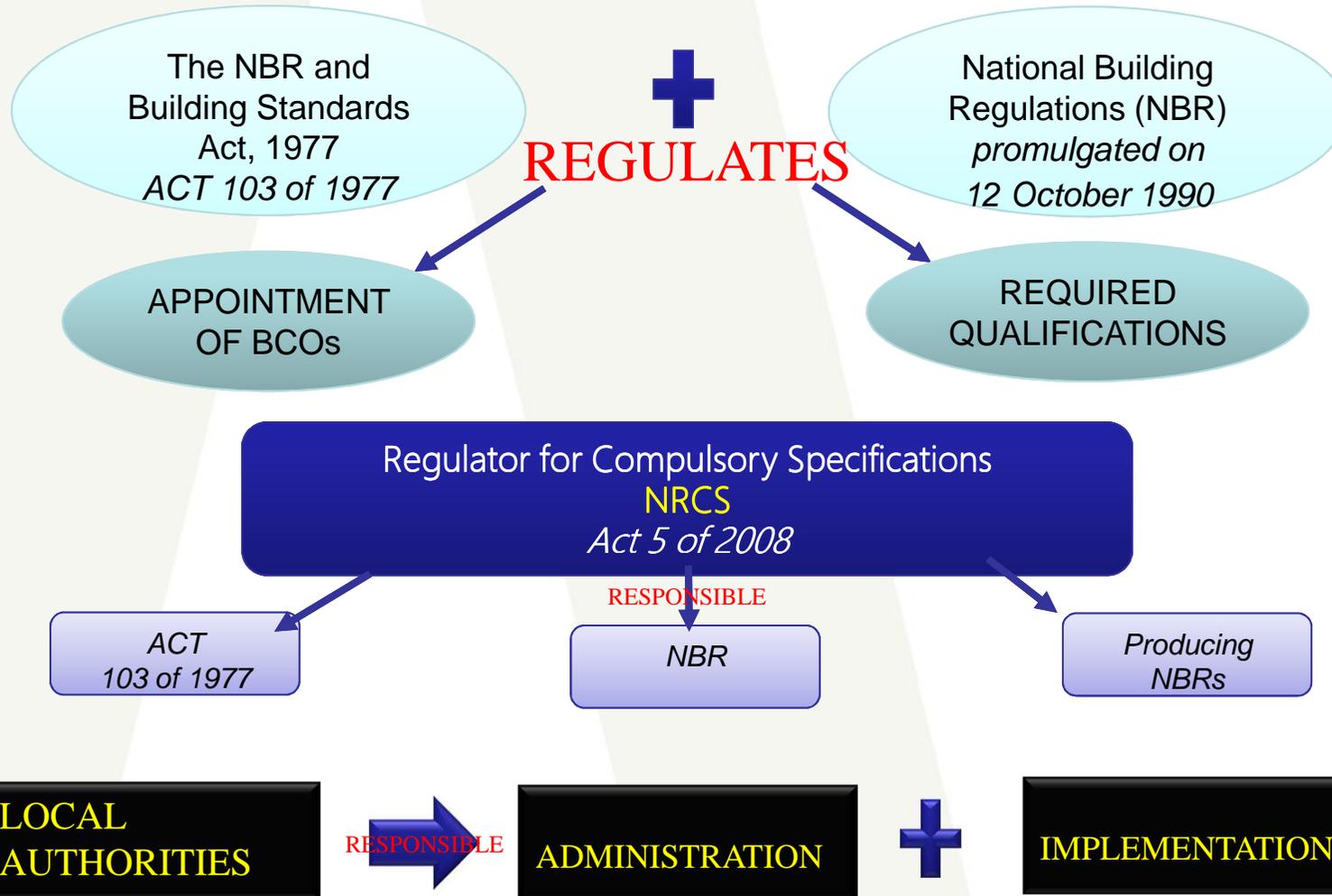


INTRODUCTION

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REGISTRATION OF THE BC TECHNICAL STAFF





APPOINTMENT OF BCOs

**LOCAL
AUTHORITIES**



BCOs appointed
in terms of section 5 (1)

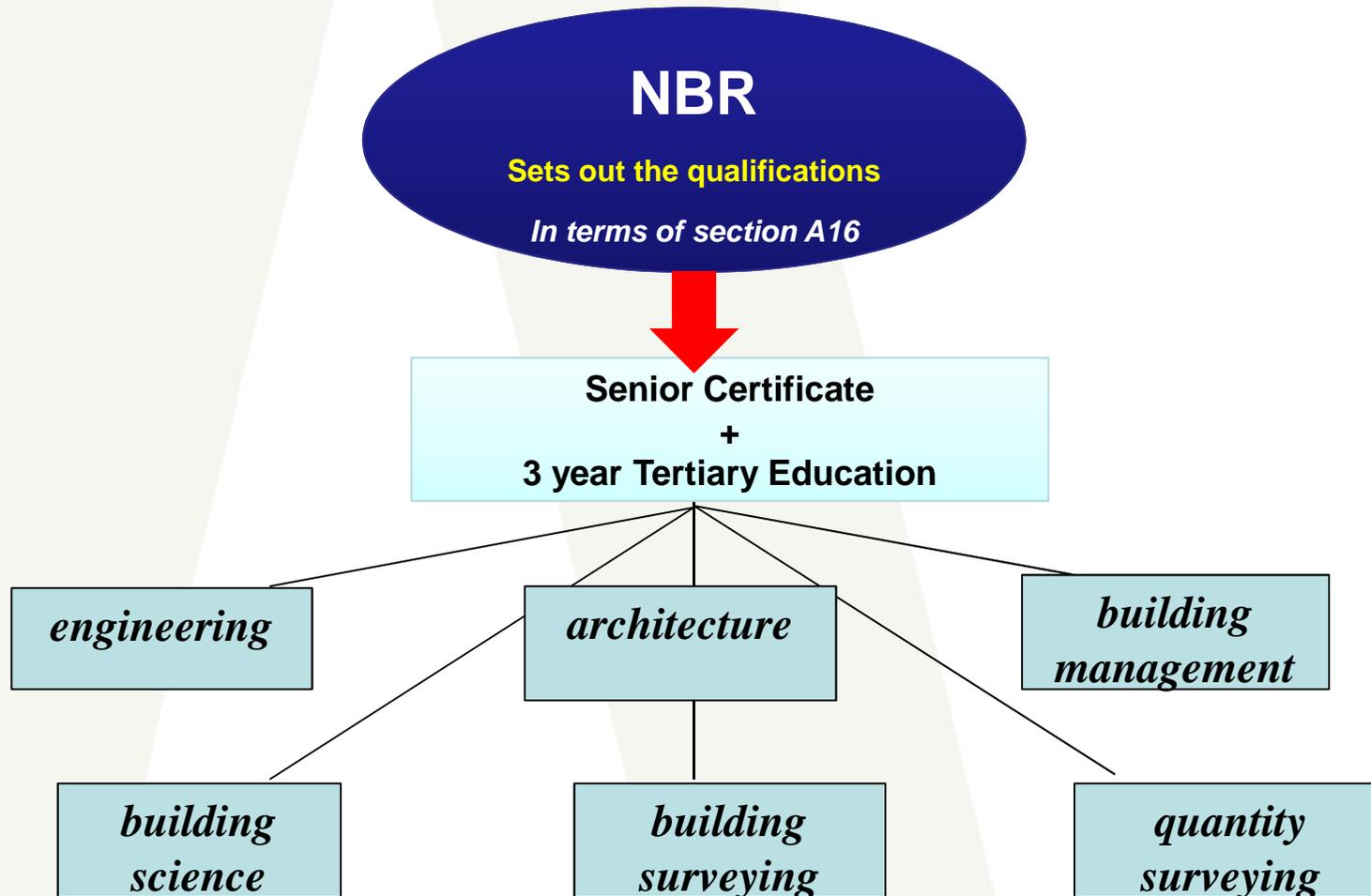
- *To implement and enforce national building regulations*
- *To exercise and perform the powers, duties and activities granted/assigned to a BCO.*

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QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCIES OF BCOS





DUTIES OF THE BCOs

In Terms of ACT 1977, Section 6 (1)

- BCO's shall make recommendations to the Local Authority regarding any plans, specifications, documents and information
- The work of BCO's entails reviewing rational designs prepared by architectural professionals.
 - Therefore, it is important that a person appointed as a BCO's has a good understanding of architecture.
- Section 6 (4)
 - allows a BCO's to delegate duties or function granted to a BCO's.



REGISTRATION OF COMPETENT PERSONS

NBR SECTION A1 (1)

Any person undertaking work or performing the following functions:
designing, planning and supervision of the erection of any building or structure

is required to be registered with

The Architectural Profession Act, 2000 (Act No. 44 of 2000),

or

The Engineering Profession Act, 2000 (Act No. 46 of 2000).

Section A19 (9) (c) of the NBR

A Local Authority may decline a building plan application from a person who is
not professionally registered

in terms of The Architectural Professions Act (Act No. 44 of 2000) OR

The Engineering Professions Act, 2000 (Act No. 46 of 2000)

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PLANS FROM COMPETENT PERSONS WHO ARE UNDER INVESTIGATION

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Subsection A19 (9) (c)

- The Local Authority may decline a building plan application from a competent person who is under investigation by a disciplinary tribunal of ECSA, or SACAP
- The CEO of such a Council may express an opinion in writing.

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Section A19 (10) (i)

- The Local Authority may consider the details of registration in respect of category, date and discipline in which the applicant is registered, qualifications, experience, training and contextual knowledge provided.

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PROFESSIONALISATION OF BUILDING CONTROL OFFICERS

- BCO's do not belong to a professional body.
- There is no professional regulatory body responsible for registration of BCO's, setting standards and promoting best practice.
- SACAP has accepted a call for the professionalisation of BCO's and their registration in the architectural profession.
- Professionalisation will ensure that they are legitimised and recognised as a distinct profession with a clear career path in the built environment.
- SACAP will establish and enforce good standards
- Enhancement of reputation and credibility of BCO's in the built environment.
- Regular engagement in CPD and adherence to the Code of Ethics.



CONCLUSION

- SACAP has attained notable progress in that three progressive meetings have been convened with the NRCS, ECSA and the Task Team
- A task team meeting diligently examined the following key areas:-
 - the registration criteria
 - Qualifications
 - Competencies
 - scope of work
 - dual registration
 - continuing professional development
 - code of professional conduct

the Task Team will ensure that qualifications and competencies determined are in line with NBR requirements and the Competency Framework for Local Government Occupational Streams as promulgated by the Department of Co-operative Governance & Traditional Affairs.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

CLOSURE

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