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PRACTICE CARDS 2024

The SACSSP's registration outreach programme across all nine provinces in March 2024 concluded with 485 persons registered in terms of the Act as well as 383 Registration Certificates and 652 Practice Cards issued. The SACSSP appreciates the support provided by training institutions who hosted the outreach programme.

In March 2024 the SACSSP experienced an extra high volume of work due to many registrants waiting until this time to pay the annual fees. During this time the SACSSP issued a total of 14,824 Practice Cards directly to registrants through emails and walk-ins, following the payment of their annual fees. The issuing of Practice Cards continued after March (in addition to the aforementioned number issued), particularly for those who paid their annual fees in the second half of March 2024.

Practice Cards are generated manually and the process is taking longer due to the high volumes.

IMPORTANT: The SACSSP wishes to remind registrants to monitor their emails, including emails in their spam folders, for email from the SACSSP containing receipts, Practice Cards and/or General Notices.

On 19 March 2024 the SACSSP joined the World to celebrate *World Social Work Day* under the theme '*Buen Vivir: Shared Future for Transformative Change*'. The SACSSP commends all organisations/stakeholders, including employers of social service professionals and trade unions in the social service sector for organising prestigious events to celebrate this special day with our social workers and social auxiliary workers. It was a pleasure to witness the elegance and joy displayed by our social workers during these celebrations. We are looking forward to the 2025 celebrations.

UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW LEADERSHIP OF IASSW FROM AFRICA: The SACSSP wishes to congratulate **Professor Antoinette Lombard** with her election as President of the *International Association of Schools of Social Work (IASSW)*, together with *Professor Janestic Mwendu-Twikirize* who was elected as Secretary of the IASSW.

The SACSSP appreciates the well-deserved new leadership of the IASSW from the continent, but also that their election by members of this international association recognises the value of African scholars in the education of social workers, and the contribution that homegrown theory, practice and evidence can make to the profession across the globe

Please share this news with your networks as well

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