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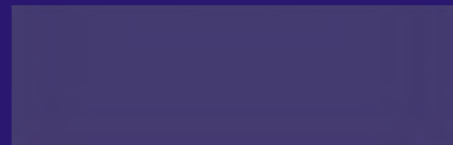
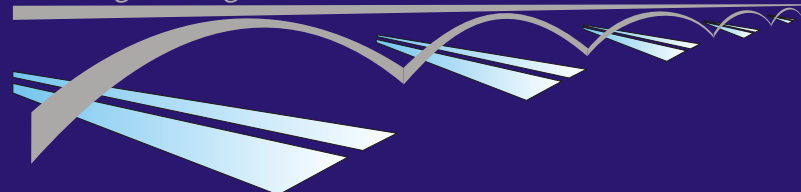
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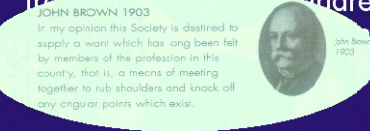
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In my foreword I wrote: "To present 100 years of civil engineering spanning the SAICE Century with the appropriate reverence for the structures and its creators' pioneering spirit is indeed a challenge and a privilege. This book is essential reading for all decision-makers in both the public as well as the private sector, young people considering a career choice, civil engineering professionals, civil engineering students and the public at large, indeed young and old, anybody interested in South Africa's achievements, especially over the last 100 years.

It is inspiring and gives a sense of both pride and appreciation to look back on past innovations and achievements. It also stimulates the reader to contemplate what can be achieved when the modern civil engineering professionals apply their minds, their talents and their skills to the task of creating a better quality of life for all on our continent. They apply modern technology and utilize the pioneering spirit of our predecessors to resolve the challenges presented by

our wonderful diverse country and its equally diverse people and environment."

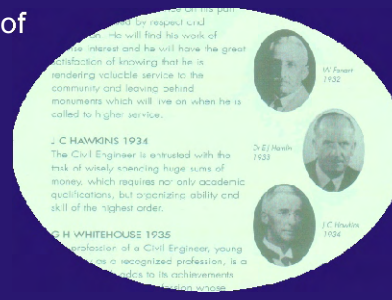
This is a comprehensive reference work with quotes from 100 presidents, an explanation



about what infrastructure is and does. It talks about the wonderful diverse world of civil engineering. It tells the stories of four role models. It

communicates about sustainable development and last but not least, it has a section on careers and how to get into the civil engineering profession.

The book is the beginning of many things to come, possibly a CD-ROM, editions for learners at schools, outreach material, a companion for decision-makers, a brag book about South African achievements.



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