



QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

YEAR 2024 SO FAR IN NUMBERS



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CEO'S MESSAGE

As we approach the midpoint of the year, I want to take a moment to reflect on NASCEE's activity this year and share some of what lies ahead for members in the coming months. NASCEE's partnership with the ETDP SETA supported a wellreceived skills development programme in Networking and Collaboration run by the Networking Company.

The launch of a second cohort in Project Management training was run by GIBS, and a third cohort will start in July.

NASCEE hosted productive networking events in Johannesburg, Cape Town, and Durban which were attended by over 93 individuals. It has also been pleasing to see the launch of 5 new leadership forums – two in Johannesburg, two in Cape Town, and one in Durban, impacting 45 leaders. A new virtual forum will be launched in June.

To support the need for greater collaboration across the education sector among all stakeholders NASCEE is embarking on a mapping initiative to outline where all the NASCEE member organisations are working and what they are doing. In the coming months, you will receive a survey to help us gather this crucial information. This is an exciting initiative that should add significant value to NASCEE members and the sector as a whole.

We are also extremely hopeful about the introduction of the "Tuesdays in the Trenches" series which NASCEE will be launching on the 18th of June. It will be an opportunity for members to present what they do.



We have received consistent feedback that many NASCEE members don't know enough about what other organisations working in education do, and what kind of impact they are having. This lack of insight constrains our ability to collaborate effectively with each other, the government, and funders.

We will start with the theme of Literacy over a period of 6 weeks. Our literacy members will showcase their work and impact every Tuesday from 10:00 – 11:30. Do not miss this exciting opportunity to learn and engage.

Lastly, we were honoured to represent the NGO community at the recent minister's dialogue. Be sure to check out the **<u>summary</u>** of this event, including reflections and recommendations from our members. Thank you for your continued support and dedication.





Regional Chapter events

To build a stronger tie network around the country, and to keep its membership engaged NASCEE embarked on quarterly regional chapter events. The first events took place in April and provided an opportunity for NASCEE members to meet in person, network, and collaborate.

We kicked off with the <u>Gauteng chapter</u> which was held at the RMB Wine Cellar in Sandton. At this session, members were treated to an engaging networking masterclass presented by Helen Nicholson from The Networking Company, who shared amazing tips on personal branding and networking. A big thanks to RMB for their generous hospitality in hosting us at their venue.

This was followed by the <u>Cape Town chapter</u> event hosted at Leap School in Langa and the <u>KZN chapter</u> held at IQRAA Trust in Glenwood, Durban. Caroline Wyly, a Personal Branding Expert, was the guest speaker at both of these events and shared smart tips on maximising LinkedIn. Read the full article at the links highlighted



ETDP SETA Partnership

NASCEE is dedicated to enhancing the effectiveness of nonprofit organisations (NPOs) to help them fulfill their missions. In 2023/24, in collaboration with the ETDP SETA, NASCEE launched a comprehensive capacity-building initiative delivering seven skills development programmes to our members. The programmes were attended by over 145 individuals, covering the essential skills of Fundraising, Marketing & Communications, Monitoring & Evaluation, Finance & Governance, Project Management, Executive Leadership, and Networking & Collaboration. NASCEE partnered with several exceptional service providers to deliver this high-quality training. A total of 68 NASCEE member organisations were able to take advantage of this opportunity contributing to the overall growth and impact of the education nonprofit sector. In May 2024 NASCEE launched a second cohort of Project Management training in partnership with GIBS Business School, and a third cohort will be launched in July 2024 impacting a total of 65 individuals from NASCEE member organisations.



Driving Collaboration! NASCEE's Early Grade Reading Working Group

One of NASCEE's most important mandates is to influence greater collaboration within the education sector amongst the various stakeholders (E.g. NGOs, government, funders) to drive greater impact at scale. Post the release of the PIRLS results last year NASCEE members came together to explore what collective impact the association could have in the early grade reading space. A working group was set up and after several interactions, two strong recommendations emerged which were shared at the NASCEE all-member event on the 17th of April 2024. The first recommendation was that NASCEE should map all members working/impacting the EGR sector and the second was that all these members be given a platform to present their work and its impact. The recommendations intend to make the work of NASCEE members in the EGR sector more visible and allow collaboration initiatives to build from there. This is the first step, and we are looking forward to getting the mapping process set up and implementing the Tuesdays in the Trenches presentation series where our members will be able to showcase their work. Please participate!

Connect on WhatsApp



This new communication channel will allow NASCEE to share all our updates, including upcoming events, alerts on training sessions, and other participation opportunities, directly on your phone. Expect an email from us soon, with a link to join our dedicated WhatsApp group. Join us and stay connected!

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Member Engagement



NASCEE's most engaged members this year

Ngangezwe attended 07 training programmes, followed by Feenix, Lesedi Larona Home of Trust, and Seriti Institute, each of which attended 05 training programmes. We acknowledge Ngangezwe Foundation as NASCEE's most engaged member for this period, exemplifying dedication to continuous learning and development, epitomised by Dudu Makhari, their CEO, whose active involvement underscores the essence of engagement and collaboration.

Well done Duduzile Makhari!

New Members

NASCEE would like to give a warm welcome to the following new members:

- Injini EdTech Acceleration NPC
- Seed Educational Trust
- Junior Achievement South Africa
- Little Elephant Training Centre for Early Education (LETCEE)
- DELIVER NPC

Thank you for choosing NASCEE!

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Welcome onboard

Welcome Asah, our newest addition to the NASCEE Team! Asah Netshivhale joined the team in April as the new Communication and Marketing Officer. She brings a wealth of experience and innovation, and we are excited to leverage her expertise to enhance our communication efforts and strengthen our brand presence. Welcome!

Upcoming Events



Regional Chapter Events in July

- Cape Town
- Durban
- Johannesburg

Training

 GIBS Project Management Training: second cohort – 12 July

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Monthly Leadership Forums

- Cape Town (2 groups)
- Durban (1 group)
- Johannesburg (3 groups)
- Online (1 group)

To register for the in-person sessions in Johannesburg, Cape Town, or Durban or the online option, please click here: <u>Leadership Forums Registration</u>