



## Report of the Board of Directors

2017 - 2018

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## First: Executive Summary

The General Assembly held its ordinary meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017. The following members were elected to join the Board of Directors:

- 1- Eng. Abdulnabi Alsabah
- 2- Eng. Jawad Al Jabal
- 3- Eng. Abdulhadi Al Attar
- 4- Eng. Huda Sultan Faraj

The Board of Directors held its first meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 under the chairmanship of Mr. Masoud Al-Hermi, where the nominations and distribution of positions of the Board were made as follows:

- Eng. Abdul Nabi Alsabah	Vice Chairman
- Eng. Jawad Jaffar Al-Jabal	Executive Secretary and Director of External Affairs
- Eng. Abbas Ali Al-Watani	Treasurer
- Eng. Abdulhadi Al Attar	Director of Conferences
- Eng. Mahdi Al Jallawi	Director of Membership and Profession Affairs
- Eng. Huda Sultan Faraj	Director of Training
- Eng. Reem Ebrahim Khalfan	Director of Media & Public Relations
- Eng. Reem Ahmed Al-Otaibi	Director of General Activities

During its term which ends today, the Board of Directors held ten ordinary meetings and 3 extraordinary meetings. During these meetings, the Board prepared, planned for and followed up the implementation of various programs and activities for the Society.

At the beginning of the term, the Board set up a work plan that took into consideration the plans and programs adopted by the previous Board as well as the proposals and recommendations of the General Assembly and benefited from the available resources.

Despite the economic situation in the region, the Society has managed to overcome many difficulties and organized its programs in full as planned. On the other hand, the Board took into consideration the benefits of membership and in order to maximize the value added, it has organized a series of events and enabled the members to have access to such programs and actively take part in them.

We, at the Society's Board of Directors, believe that it is our obligation to mention the fact that all of the achievements of the Society were only made possible through many preparatory meetings, correspondence and communications. The burdens were shouldered by a small number of members who have passion to volunteer work.

They dedicated all their resources and most of their time, notwithstanding their busy schedule, to undertake the tasks assigned to them and to highlight the activities of the Society in honorable form as detailed in the report in your hands. For this reason, we have to remind you that we are in dire need for you to spare part of your precious time and join the active engineers caravan through participating in the permanent and temporary committees and to attend the events that are organized by the Society.





During the past year and the beginning of this year, many activities and events were organized in line with the work plan, summary of which is as follows:

- 1- The Society Organized 4 conferences such as Airport Arabia, BIPEX, Bahrain Women Engineers and Gulf Engineering Forum.
- 2- The Society had participated in the ICE International conference & Exhibition in Riyadh.
- 3- Attended the meeting of higher council for Gulf Engineering Forum & Federation of Arab Engineers in Jordan.
- 4- Attended meeting for all the GCC Presidents in Jordan.
- 5- The Society attended the annual World Federation of Engineering Conference in Italy.
- 6- BSE Training Center held 7 training workshops during 2017.
- 7- Bahrain Society of Engineers celebrated the "Bahraini Engineers' Day" on 04 July, 2017.
- 8- The Activities Committee organized a number of events including thirteen lectures during the "Tuesday Forum" which covered various topics and also organized quality workshops and site visits to many sites for members.
- 9- The Activities Committee also organized one "Ghagbha" dinner events during the holy month of Ramadan.
- 10- The Media Committee issued three issues No. 63, 64 and 65 of Al Mohandis Magazine during this electoral cycle, as well as releasing 7 issues of "Al Mohandis Times" bulletin during the same period. The digital copy of the Al Mohandis Magazine in PDF format has been distributed to BSE members via whatsapp.
- 11- The Bahraini Women Engineers in association with the Supreme Council for Women, delegated by the Board of Directors, and took part in the activities and events including celebration of Bahraini Women Day on 05<sup>th</sup> & 06<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 held at Isa Cultural Centre.
- 12- Detailed Designs for the Al Mohandiseen Project has been completed by the Gulf House Engineering Consultants and the remaining tasks will be completed during the year 2018.
- 13- The Society had Celebrated Bahrain National Day.





The achievements remain beyond our aspirations, as we were hoping to achieve many ideas and plans that were discussed by the members of the Board of Directors in their meetings during the last period. There is no doubt that the next Board will continue to work very hard to attain further achievements for the benefit of the engineering profession and the engineering sector in our beloved country.

The following are some recommendations and proposals for review and implementation by the next Board:

1. Board of Directors as per the recommendations with the BDO auditors has decided to create the provision for membership receivable for the previous three years as approved in the prior AGM. Moreover, the Board had decided to suspend the annual subscription of the members from the system who have not paid for the last 5 years and above. This is to prevent the huge amount of membership subscription in the receivables and these members could retain back their membership once they pay back their pending subscription.
2. The Board re-appoint M/S. BDO for auditing the accounts of the Society during the period from January until December 2018.

## **Second: External Relations:**

### **Foreign Affairs**

#### **1. Gulf Engineering Union:**

Under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa, Prime Minister, the BSE, in cooperation with the Gulf Engineering Union, organized the 21st Gulf Engineering Forum during the period from 21 to 22 February 2018 at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. The forum was accompanied with the meeting of the Supreme Council of the Union that took place in the evening on February 21.

#### **2. Gulf Engineering Institutions:**

At the invitation of the Saudi Organization for Engineers, the Chairman of BSE attended the opening ceremony of the International Engineering Conference and Exhibition held from 4 to 7 December 2017 in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

#### **3. Arab Engineers Union:**

##### The Supreme Council of the Union Meeting in Jordan:

The Chairman of BSE attended the meeting of the Supreme Council of the Union, which was dedicated for elections, on April 2017 in the Jordanian capital Amman, in order to complete the meeting of the Supreme Council held in Algiers in February 2017.







#### Heads of Arab Engineering Organizations Meeting in Jordan:

The Union of Arab Engineers held the meeting for the Supreme Council of the Union in the presence of the heads of engineering bodies on Saturday, 20 January 2018

#### Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Committee:

The Federal Information and Communications Technology Committee, which is hosted by BSE, continues its work and is currently organizing the Arab Communications Forum to be held in December 2018.

#### **4. International Engineering Organizations:**

- a. The BSE maintained its relations with the international engineering bodies such as the World Federation of Engineering Organizations. A delegation consisting of the BSE Chairman, Eng. Massoud Ibrahim Al Hermi, Secretary Engineer Jawad Al Jabal and Eng. Abdul Majeed Al Qasab participated in the General Assembly of the Federation held in Rome. During this period, elections were held to select members for the Executive Council. The elections resulted in the success of Eng. Abdul Majeed Al Qasab for the office of the national member.
- b. BSE signed a memorandum of understanding on the training with the American Association of Heating, Cooling and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE), whereby BSE shall be authorized to organize training courses in Bahrain.
- c. Signing a memorandum of understanding with the British Institute of Civil Engineers to form a branch under the umbrella of BSE, and work is in process to organize joint projects.
- d. Signing a memorandum of understanding with the Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers to form a branch under the umbrella of BSE.
- e. Signing a memorandum of understanding with the Association of Engineers of Sri Lanka to form a branch under the umbrella of BSE.

### **THIRD: Conferences and Exhibitions**

During the year 2017 Bahrain Society of Engineers organized three conferences & exhibition independently and in association with other organizations/institutions. All our events have achieved tremendous success and highly appreciated by the participants from the Gulf Countries and other part of the world.

These events helped spreading awareness on several issues and made an impact on the participants in their respective fields. The Society takes great pride in being responsible for bringing The Kingdom of Bahrain at par with the latest developments in engineering and technology. We are indeed honored to have had the opportunity to play a key role in facilitating these events.





Below, is a list of the events organized by the Bahrain Society of Engineers since the last AGM in the year 2017.

Sl. No	Name of Conference	Dates	Venue
1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Airports Arabia Conference	10 – 11 October, 2017	Art Rotana Hotel
2	Bahrain International Property Exhibition 2017	26 - 28 Oct, 2017	Bahrain Int'l Exhibition Centre
3	Women Engineering Conference	5 - 7 Nov, 2017	Isa Cultural Center

#### **1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Airports Arabia Conference 2017**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Airports Arabia Conference was organized by the Bahrain Society for Engineers under the patronage of **H. E. Eng. Kamal bin Ahmed Mohammed, Minister of Transportation & telecommunications, Kingdom of Bahrain**. The Event was held during 10 – 11 October 2017 at Art Rotana Hotel with the theme – ‘Passengers Terminal Design Challenges’.

The two day Conference showcased Technical Presentations from Airport Companies from Europe, Middle East and India in the field of Airport Terminal Design Challenges. Also, the event showcased 2 Panel Discussions and a Key Note Speech during the opening ceremony. The event was supported by 7 Sponsors with Tamkeen as the Strategic Partner and Supported by the Bahrain Airport Company The event was attracted nearly 200 delegates. The event was held in Art Rotana Hotel

#### **2. 10<sup>th</sup> Bahrain International Property Exhibition 2017:**

Bahrain Society of Engineers organized the 10th edition of the Bahrain International Property Exhibition (BIPEX 2017) held from 26 – 28 October 2017 at the Bahrain International Exhibition Center under the patronage of H.E. Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Deputy Prime Minister, Kingdom of Bahrain.

The event marked a major success in the journey of Bahrain Society of Engineers with 15 sponsors supporting the event in various categories. The event became a unique platform for over a total of 50 exhibitors and media partners covering over 5100 sq. mtrs. The event showcased projects over BD 20 Billion which attracted a footfall of 8500 people visiting the show over 3 days.





### 3. Women Engineering:

The Bahrain Society of Engineers in association with the Supreme Council for Women organized the Women Engineers Forum during 5 – 7 November 2017 held under the patronage of H. R. H. Princess Sabeeka Bint Ibrahim Al-Khalifa Shaikha Sabeeka Al Khalifa, Minister of Oil, Kingdom of Bahrain, at the Isa Cultural Center.

The event was attended by 350 delegates, 15 Speakers and there was Post-conference workshop associated with the conference. The event was held under the support of Tamkeen.

### Upcoming Conferences and Exhibitions Scheduled to be conducted in 2018

Si. No.	Event	Dates	Venue
1	21st Gulf Engineering Forum	21 - 22 Feb 2018	Ritz Carlton
2	17th Middle East Corrosion Conference & Exhibition 2018	30th Sept – 3rd Oct 2018	BIEC -Hall 1
3	11th Bahrain International Property Exhibition 2018 (BIPEX)	1 - 3 Nov 2018	BIEC -Hall 1
4	5th Middle East Maintenance Conference & Exhibition 2018 (MAINTCON)	25- 28 Nov 2018	Gulf Hotel
5	Arab ICT	10 Dec 2018	Diplomat

BSE members are invited to participate in various conference committees and extend their active participation and contributions to make the events successful. We are confident that their support and commitment towards the society's activities will lead to a great success of our events not only regionally but also internationally.

The Board of Directors would like to extend its appreciation and gratitude to those entities that generously supported and continues to support Bahrain Society of Engineer and our activities. Those are, but not limited to Saudi Aramco, SABIC, BAPCO, ALBA, GPIC, BANAGAS and all the Bahrain Ministries and Authorities. BSE Board would like to acknowledge the national and international organizations especially GSMR & NACE for their support in jointly organizing various international conferences & exhibitions with BSE. Finally, we would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation to all Conference Committee members and Volunteers for their dedication and commitment in working together as a team towards achieving BSE's objectives and goals.





## **FOURTH: Engineering Courses and Administrative Training**

Bahrain Society of Engineers – Training Centre (BSETC) has organized courses which were marketed during 2017 out of which only 6 courses were conducted.

The organized courses were selected according to the received requests from BSE engineers, recommendations from previous trainees, feedback from employers and market survey. There were free seats offered to BSE members, as part of the benefits offered to BSE members.

Similar to 2016 BSETC like many other local training centers had very low number of registrations in the offered courses. This was mainly due to the cancellation of the levy scheme by Ministry of Labour, the financial problems faced by GCC which led to cut down of the training budgets by many of BSETC main clients. This has resulted in low registration number in the marketed courses and consequently in low income from the courses in the year 2017. The implementation of the Quality Assurance System on the offered courses has continued to maintain the BSETC rating of "GOOD" standard with the Bahrain National Quality and Qualification Authority for education and training (NAQQEA).

BSETC is also planning to be listed beginning of 2018 in the General Directorate of National Qualifications Framework (NQF). A number of proposals have been received from several consultancies in preparation for NQF and at the same time in preparation for the next review of National Quality and Qualification Authority for Education & Training (NAQQEA).

BSE Training Centre has continued to establish alliances with local and international training providers to widen the range of offered courses by BSETC.

BSETC main present and future strategy is to acquire more representations of international certifying bodies for the purpose of increasing the number of offered certified courses to benefit from Tamkeen professional certification scheme of sponsoring the offered courses.







## TRAINING COURSES ORGRANIZED YEAR 2017

No	Course Title	Date	Trainer	No. of Trainees
1	Environmental Legislations in Bahrain & Compliance Reporting	12 February 2017	Eng. Rehan Ahmed	19
2	Professional Court Experts Report Writing	09-12 April 2017	Dr. Manaf Hamza	14
3	Understanding the Real Estate Development Process and Principles	16-17 April 2017	Mr. Yusuf Mustafa	11
4	Contracting using International Contracts Forms "FIDIC/JCT"	23-27 April 2017	Eng. Bahaa El Shal	9
5	Fundamentals of Project Management Professionals (PMP)	22-23 August 2017	Dr. Cem Cesur	20
6	Practical Application of FIDIC Contracts	12-17 May 2017	Dr. Ayman Nassar	7
7	Technical Report Writing & Presentation Skills	19-22 November 2017	John Blacklaws	10
8	Fundamentals of Project Management Professionals (PMP)	10-11 December 2017	Dr. Cem Cesur	27

### FIFTH: General Activities

#### Tuesday Forum 2017

No.	Lecture	Organizer	Date
1.	Barbecue event	Activities Committee	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
2.	A Plastic Ocean	Activities Committee	04 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
3	Bahrain Women Engineers Meeting	Activities Committee	18 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017
4	Power Factor Correction	Activities Committee	23 <sup>rd</sup> May, 2017
5	Ramadhan Ghabgah Event	Activities Committee	6 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
6	Visit to King Hamad Hospital	Activities Committee	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
7	Bahrain Engineers Day	Activities Committee	01 <sup>st</sup> July, 2017
8	Women Engineer in Work Sites	Activities Committee	29 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
9	Supreme Council of Women	Activities Committee	Sept, 2017



10	Symposium on Sustainable Urban Environment in the GCC	Activities Committee	1-2 November 2017
11	BSE - ICE Contract	Activities Committee	14 November, 2017
12	New Engineering Contract	Activities Committee	24 <sup>th</sup> November 2107
13	Members Recognition	Activities Committee	13 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 2018
14	3D Scanner Technology	Activities Committee	23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan 2018
15	BSE Campaign	Activities Committee	27 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 2018
16	GPIC Visit	Activities Committee	01 <sup>st</sup> Feb, 2018
17	Tamkeen - Start Up Co.	Activities Committee	13 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 2018

## SIXTH: Membership and Profession Affairs

### 1- Membership Applications:

During 2017, the BSE received a number of applications for membership in BSE, a total of 177 applications. Having reviewed those applications by Members and Professions Affairs Committee and following submission to the Board of Directors, 144 applications were approved under various membership categories while 17 are still under review. Nine applications were declined as they failed to satisfy the criterion and conditions required by the BSE. At the same time 7 applications for membership upgrade were also approved. The number of members who are members of "Lifetime" membership is 483 members and the other working members are 1328. Thus, the total number of members is 1811 members of all categories.

The Members and Professions Affairs Committee comprises Engineer Mehdi Taher Aljalawi, Director of Members and Profession Affairs, Engineer Jawad Al Jabal, Secretary, Dr. Osama Taqi Al Bahrana, Engineer Essa Janahi, Engineer Ahmed Al Khan, Engineer Hamad Ibrahim Badu and Ms. Sajida Al Ali , In-Charge of Members and Profession Affairs.

### New applications approved as per membership category in the schedule below:

Membership Category	Number
Fellow	-
Active	63
Graduate	35
Patron	8
Student	38
<b>Total</b>	<b>144</b>





### **Applications as per specializations**

Specialization	Number
Civil Engineering	69
Mechanical Engineering	19
Electrical Engineering	9
Chemical Engineering	19
Architectural Engineering	9
Other Specializations	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>144</b>

#### **2- Grants Program:**

The BSE continued receiving and collecting information and documents related to scholarships and grants. The concerned Committee dedicated itself to study all cases as per the standards in place, and the BSE is in the process of arranging for the distribution of grants to the eligible students during the period of eligibility.????

##### **a. Hisham Al Shihabi's Grants:**

The BSE continued its program of disbursing grants to engineering students at the University of Bahrain, where 47 students have applied and only 20 students benefited and 4 of them were rejected during this year. This year, three students from various engineering disciplines graduated from the scholarship students, while 16 applications have been approved to join the program. The total number of students benefiting from the program currently is 24 students.

##### **b. Grants for Sons of Engineers Members:**

The program of granting the sons of engineers members was approved by the Board of Directors on partial grants to the University of Bahrain only to start the implementation of the program by the beginning of the year (2018). It is a program dedicated to the children of members of the BSE only to study one of the engineering specialties from a university accredited by the BSE in Bahrain or overseas. The BSE shall award one grant annually, provided that the total number of grants does not exceed four grants in any semester.

#### **3- Activities and Events:**

**Professional Exhibitions:** Out of its keenness to raise the awareness among students to attract them to study engineering, the BSE organized Engineering Career Expo Exhibition under the patronage of HE Dr. Majid bin Ali Al Noaimi, Minister of Education, from 27 to 28 February 2017 at the BSE headquarters at Juffair, where the main engineering disciplines and associated scientific fields were highlighted. A small exhibition was also organized for the projects of new graduate students from the Collage of Engineering at the Bahrain University.







a. Year of Bahraini Engineer Woman: On the occasion of the Year of the Bahraini Engineer Woman, which was announced by Sheikha Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, and in line with the BSE's belief in the status and role played by Bahraini Engineer Woman, the Member and Profession Affairs Section issued a number of lists and statistics for all female engineers at the BSE, subject to the years of engineering experience, graduation history, engineering specialties, and type of membership. The reports were prepared based at the request of the following institutions: Northern Municipality, Capital Governorate, Supreme Council for Women, Royal University for Girls and University of Bahrain. The purpose of such request was to obtain statistics to honor females engineers during 2017.

b. The Board of Directors held on Tuesday, 12 December 2017, passed the following resolutions approving the following:

To establish a football club;

To establish a photography club for the members, to be announced later on a actual establishment.

c. Conferences and Courses:

- The BSE participated in the MARTC Conference under the patronage of His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Minister of Oil in the Kingdom of Bahrain. The event was held during the period 23-24 January 2017 at Ritz Carlton Hotel.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Arab Airports Conference was held under the patronage of the Minister of Transportations and Telecommunications in the Kingdom of Bahrain, HE Eng. Kamal bin Ahmed Mohammed, on 10-11 October 2017, where 14 members BSE received free seats to attend the conference at Art Rotana Hotel - Amwaj Islands.
- The BSE received an invitation to attend Health, Safety and Environment Conference. The conference was held under the patronage of His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Minister of Oil in the Kingdom of Bahrain during the period from 18 - 20 April 2017. A number of 4 members from BSE received free seats to attend this event that was held at the Gulf International Convention Center, Gulf Hotel.
- The BSE received an invitation to attend the Careers Expo by the Bahrain Training Institute. The event was held during the period from 18-22 April 2017.
- BSE provided free seat for the Technical and Judicial Writing Development Course prepared by Dr. Manaf Hamza. The event was held during the period 9-12 April 2017 at Bahrain Crowne Plaza Hotel.







Statistical Details of BSE members as of 31 December 2017

**Table (1) Number of members, per category**

Membership category	Number of members
Fellow	17
Member	1105
Graduate	266
Patron	137
Student	286
<b>Total</b>	<b>1811</b>

**Table (2) Number of members, per specialization**

Category	Civil Engineering	Mechanical Engineering	Electrical engineering	Chemical Engineering	Architectural Engineering	Other Specializations	Total
Fellow	5	5	3	1	-	3	17
Member	384	192	177	67	133	152	1105
Graduate	85	31	30	22	49	49	266
Patron	33	22	16	3	6	57	137
Student	95	36	22	26	55	52	286
Total	602	286	248	119	243	313	1811
Rate	33%	15%	13%	6%	16%	17%	100%

**Table (3) Number and percentage of members as per nationality**

Category	Bahraini		Non-Bahraini		Total
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Fellow	16	1%	1	0	17
Member	732	54%	373	81%	1105
Graduate	252	19%	14	3%	266
Patron	86	6%	51	12%	137
Student	268	20%	18	4%	286
<b>Total</b>	<b>1354</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>1811</b>

**Table (4) Number and percentage of members, per Gender**

Category	Male		Female		Total
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
Fellow	17	1%	-	-	17
Member	972	66%	133	38%	1105
Graduate	171	11%	95	27%	266
Supporter	128	8%	9	2%	137
Student	174	14%	112	33%	286
<b>Total</b>	<b>1462</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>1811</b>

Life-long members: 483 + Other working members: 1328 Total = 1811



## **SEVENTH: Media & Public Relations Affairs**

### **1. Introduction:**

The Media Committee at the Bahrain Society of Engineers ("BSE") aims at enhancing the status of BSE in the Bahraini community being the oldest professional association founded in the Kingdom of Bahrain. It has developed a strategy to reach to the desired goal, through consolidation of BSE relations with all the Arab and foreign media by using all electronic, printed, audio and video means. The society worked on enhancing ties and links between the BSE and the media in terms of dissemination of news and careful follow-up to make sure that they are properly published and cover the activities and events of BSE committees. It has also endeavored to showcase the BSE activities in terms of arranging interviews and giving the members an opportunity to speak in issues related to the BSE activities in the press.

Following are the major achievements of the Committee during the year 2017:

### **2. Press Releases:**

During 2017, the BSE issued approximately 23 press releases on various issues covering most of the initiatives and events of BSE, which were covered in different aspects by the local Arab and foreign newspapers. All of these press releases were published in all local newspapers operating in Bahrain. This reflects significant attention by the newspapers to the news of BSE.

### **3. Conferences Media Coverage:**

The Media Committee in conjunction with the Conferences Committee covered 6 conferences, and their accompanying exhibitions such as:

Bahraini Women and Engineering Conference, Bahrain International Property Exhibition "BIPEX 2017", 2<sup>nd</sup> Airport Arabia Conference, Celebrations of Bahraini Engineer Day, Engineering Careers Week 2017 and the 20th Gulf engineering Forum.

The Media Committee's work in these conferences and exhibitions included preparation of press releases, and circulating them to the newspapers before and after the events, in addition to assuming the task of inviting Arab and foreign local press and news agencies and other media to attend the BSE conferences, and then following up with the newspapers to review the coverage published for the BSE conferences. It undertakes other assignments, including:

1. Maintaining an archive of media coverage and performing any task related to issuing brochures by BSE.
2. Intensifying communication with the foreign press to expand the circle of public relations with such press due its importance to BSE.
3. Maintaining an archive of photographs of BSE programs for future reference.





4. Formation of a media committee for some engineering conferences, where its tasks multiply depending on the type and size of the conference in order to achieve appropriate media coverage of the event.

#### **4. Almohandis Magazine**

The Media Committee undertakes the task of preparation and producing the layout of Almohandis Magazine in a manner that suits the status of the BSE. During 2017, the Committee released 3 issues No. 63, 64 and issue No. 65.

#### **5. Almohandis Times:**

The Committee issued 7 electronic copies of the newsletter during 2017. Some newsletters were amalgamated with each other as in January, February and March newsletters, April and May newsletters, July and August news letters, and October and November newsletter. The newsletters of June, September and December were issued separately on time.

The Committee has endeavored to cover all the news and activities of the BSE committees in each newsletter.

#### **6. Recommendations**

As part of the efforts of Media and Public Relations Committee to enhance communication with the available media in the Kingdom of Bahrain with BSE, it recommends the following:

- Participate in the global engineering competitions and local social events in order to spread engineering culture.
- Determine a specific day during the year to honor the newspapers and the internal and external media, to thank them for their contributions towards publishing and covering the BSE news and events.
- Arrange field visits to various media organizations to continue building fruitful bridges with them.
- Build constructive co-operation bridges with various professional associations in order to contribute effectively to the volunteer movement in Bahrain.
- Forming a media committee for each engineering conference, the tasks of which vary according to the type and size of the conference in order to reach an appropriate media coverage of the event.





## Eighth: Sections and Charters

- 1) Three agreements have been signed to establish the following groups:
  - a. Association of Filipino Engineers: Sixteen members under this category joined BSE as active member, and the agreement was signed between both parties on 19<sup>th</sup> of August 2017.
  - b. Project Management Group: Sixteen members of under this category joined BSE as active member, and the agreement was signed between both parties on 07<sup>th</sup> of October 2017.
  - c. Association of Sri Lankan Engineers: Sixteen members of under this category joined BSE as active member, and the agreement was signed between both parties on 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2017.

## Ninth: Financial Affairs

### 1. Conferences and Training courses :

During the year 2017, BSE had conducted Conferences, Seminars and Training Workshops and the income raised from these conferences and Training courses were BD 279,092 and BD 18,856 respectively.

The expenditures incurred for these Conferences and Training Workshops were BD 172,983 and BD 33,981 respectively.

The excess income generated from the conferences during the year 2017 was BD 106,109.

The accumulated income from both amounts to BD 90,984/- during the current fiscal year 2017.

### 2. Membership:

The annual subscription fees due from the members during the year 2017 was BD 33,905 while it was BD 29,455/- for the year 2016. Out of these membership subscription fee, the income received during the year 2017 was BD 9,910/- and the balance amount is unpaid by the members and is taken to the provision for membership receivable account.

### 3. Scholarship and Community Expenses

The scholarship fees paid during the current fiscal year to the entitled Engineering students is BD 3,996/-. This is in addition to the provision amount of BD 4000/- which was allocated last year to be distributed during the first quarter of the year 2017.

### 4. Rental of BSE Auditorium and Hall:

The rental income of BSE auditorium and seminar room has increased by BD 1,420/- where the rental income received is BD 9,645/- during the year 2017 while it was BD 8,225/- in the year 2016.

### 5. Assets:

The fixed assets during the year 2017 is BD 1,741,135 where it was BD 1,749,813 in year 2016.







The total Current Assets, comprising of the Cash & Bank balances and Accounts Receivables, was BD 2,561,217 in year the 2017 compared to BD 2,784,992 in year the 2016 with a decrease in the balance of BD 223,775/-. This decrease is due to the provision created for the previous year membership receivables and decrease in the accounts receivable due to the minimum number of conferences, and loss incurred from the training centre.

The total assets during the Year 2017 is BD 4,340,152 where it was BD 4,534,805 in the year 2016.

#### **6. Al Mohandiseen Complex**

In addition to the Feasibility Study, Capital work in progress of BD 37,800/- on the Detailed Designs for the Al Mohandiseen Project has been allocated to the Gulf Engineering House Consultants and the remaining tasks will be completed during the year 2018.

#### **7. Fixed Deposits:**

The total amount saved as fixed deposit at Banks is BD 2,133,359 with an average interest rate of 1.20% basis varying from 0.9% to 1.50% on Fixed and Time Deposits.

#### **8. H.Q. Building:**

During the year 2017 the building maintenance expenses is BD 4,727 where it was BD 3,576 during the year 2016.

#### **9. Almohandis Journal:**

During the Year 2017, we have issued 3 issues of Al Mohandis magazines which amounted to BD 4,986/- in addition we are continuing monthly with "Al Mohandis times" newsletter in which reflects all the events and activities of the Society each month. Moreover, we are sending these magazines in digital PDF formats to all our members registered in the BSE whatsapp group.

#### **10. Accounts Receivable:**

The accounts receivable for the year 2017 was BD 144,693/- while it was BD 343,328 in the year 2016. This decrease is due to the limited number of conferences and the provision created for the earlier membership receivables is mainly from conferences. Moreover, the payment of which is expected to be received during the first quarter of 2018.

#### **11. Financial Summary:**

The loss incurred during the current financial year 2017 was BD (59,523/-) this is because of creating provision for the previous membership receivable amount which amounts to BD 80,100/- whereas the income generated during the year 2016 was BD 71,834/-.

#### **12. Recommendations:**

The Board of Directors recommends to re-appoint the Auditing Firm M/s **BDO** For auditing of BSE accounts for the period from January to December 2018.

