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Workplace-based Exposure for FET College Students

For almost the entire month of March, Human First trained eight FET colleges on how to provide workplace-based exposure (WBE) for their students. Human First was contracted by the Swiss-South African Co-operation Initiative (SSACI) to conduct the training.

Since 2008 SSACI has been piloting a project to provide WBE for FET college students in relation to the new national vocational curriculum (NCV) launched by the Department of Education in 2007.

The project's focus has been on mechanical and electrical engineering students. Using the experience gained over two years, SSACI has compiled a training manual to guide colleges on how to provide WBE for students in all learning programmes.

Colleges that were trained were Mopani FET College in Phalaborwa, Ehlanzeni in Nelspruit, Ekurhuleni in Gauteng, Gert Sibande in Standerton, Taletso in Mafikeng, Vuselela in



Klerksdorp, South West Gauteng in Soweto and College of Cape Town.

Staff at Ekurhuleni FET College discuss their WBE action plan

At the end of the training session, colleges elected interim WBE committees and drew up action plans to ensure that their students obtain some form of workplace exposure during their studies.

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