



CONET Mid-Summer Dinner Meeting: Licensing and Networking

Date: Tuesday 2011 August 2

Place: Sheraton University City, 36 & Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia PA 19104

Sign-in, Dinner and Meeting: Fairmount Suite – downstairs from main lobby

Free Parking: Sheraton indoor garage – entrance on 36th Street. Have your garage ticket stamped at sign-in for free parking.

Dinner: 6:15 PM (Networking/Social time starts at 5:30 PM)

Presentations and Discussions: 7:00 to 9:00 PM

The IEEE Philadelphia Consultants Network (CONET) is an Affinity Group of the IEEE. The CONET mission is to grow our consulting businesses by sharing our knowledge through technical and business networking. Our Web site is www.PhilaConet.com.

Meeting updates will be sent by e-mail: Be sure your current e-mail address is in our records. If in doubt, confirm your current e-mail address to CONET.Phila@IEEE.org. You do not have to be an IEEE member or a CONET Member to attend this meeting.

Show and Tell: One focus of the meeting is an opportunity for newer members to introduce themselves and demonstrate their 3-minute pitches as if to prospective clients. The audience will provide a critique of their content and their presentations. These presentations help our members get to know each other's consulting capabilities, and the audience critique aids the presenters in sharpening their marketing skills.

Discussion Topic: “How to Obtain and Maintain Your Professional Engineering License”

1. Why even bother to be licensed?
2. Obtaining a Professional Engineering (PE) license requires completing forms and paying fees, acquiring recommendations from other PEs, and passing an examination. Acquiring recommendations may not always be easy. CONET members may be able to help each other with this.
3. Some recent changes in Pennsylvania and New Jersey regulations now require PEs to complete a minimum number of Professional Development Hours (PDHs) as a requirement for license renewal. Attendance at certain CONET technical meetings may qualify for PDH credit.

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Admission, Reservations, and Payment

Admission Fees			
	CONET Members	IEEE Student Members	Others
A: With Dinner	\$30	\$40	\$40
B: Meeting-Only	FREE	FREE	\$15

A: With Dinner: Advance reservations and advance payment required.*

- 1) Reserve by sending e-mail to CONETtreasury@gmail.com. Include your name and phone number.
- 2) You will get an email confirmation with instructions to pay by check or credit card.
Payment by check must be received no later than Monday, July 25, 2011. Credit card deadline is Friday, July 29, 2011.

* Why, you may ask, do we require advance payment, not payment at the door? The frank answer is that we have only a few officers and volunteers, with only limited time to donate. Requiring advance payment adds a small burden to you, our audience, but relieves a large burden from our volunteers. I hope you will understand.

Menu: Dinner Buffet

B: Meeting-Only: Reservations preferred. Walk-ins accepted if space available.

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- 3) Advance payment not required for meeting-only admission. Check or exact cash accepted at sign-in. (No credit card payment at sign-in.)

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