

2025 RAEI Workshop & 18th AGM
9 & 10 October 2025
Ocean Breeze Hotel, The Strand, Western Cape

*Remuneration and Payroll Management @ Educational Institutions
– An Interactive Best Practice Workshop*

The Remuneration Association for Educational Institutions will again be holding its annual **workshop** on best practices for payroll administration, remuneration & human resources management for Educational Institutions on Thursday, 9 and Friday, 10 October 2025. The event includes the 18th AGM of RAEI. It is held at the Ocean Breeze Hotel, The Strand, Western Cape.

As for the last 3 years (post Covid-19), the annual RAEI Workshop will again be organised, and sponsored by Peet du Plessis – Sole Proprietorship, t/a Best Practice Forums and Events.

RAEI presents this annual opportunity to its members and potential members to participate in in-depth discussions and workshops on all Payroll, Remuneration and HCM related matters and **best practice** processes, with a specific focus on the higher education sector, both nationally and internationally.

The RAEI

RAEI defines its goal in its constitution as:

“To collectively address common issues and find common solutions within a network of colleagues from the payroll administration and human capital management functions within higher and further education institutions. To furthermore define general best practice for payroll and human resources administration that will keep up to date with current and future developments of these functions in the education sector”.

The current institutional membership of RAEI consists of:

- 22 South African public universities
- 6 International Higher Education Institutions of which 3 from Namibia, and one each from Botswana, Uganda, and Lesotho.
- 21 South African TVET Colleges

Membership of RAEI is open to all higher and further education institutions and organizations, including private HE institutions, from inside as well as outside of South Africa. **No membership fee applies**, and an institution automatically becomes a member of the Association once delegates from an institution registered for an annual conference or workshop.

Who should attend the Workshop?

All staff members from **educational institutions** who are responsible for the **payroll and remuneration functions**, as well as other related functions within higher education institutions.

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Workshop Program

A **program** for the workshop is planned as follows, but members are still welcome to recommend speakers / facilitators on the topics in the program where speakers are still to be announced. Therefore, the following program is only a draft and will be subject to change.

Thursday, 9 October 2025	
08:30 – 09:30	Registration
09:30 – 09:50	Workshop announcements: Peet du Plessis
09:50 – 10:00	Welcome by the chairperson of the RAEI Management Committee, Ms Kaylin Hollenbach,
Session 1: Workshop 10:00 – 11:00	<i>Taxation & Statutory update workshop</i> Facilitator: Dumisa Sihawu, Head of Global Employer Services, BDO Tax Services Note: Registrants are invited to submit their tax and related questions to reach the administrator at least one week before the workshop to collate in order that the facilitator can prepare for specific questions to include in this workshop
11:00 – 11:20	Refreshments
Session 2: Workshop 11:20 – 12:15	<i>Taxation & Statutory update workshop - continued</i>
Session 3: Paper 12:15 – 13:00	Topic: <i>Employee remuneration within the framework of Equal Pay for Work of Equal Value in South Africa: Higher Education Insights.</i> Presenter: Dr Loshni Govender, Executive Director: HR, University of Mpumalanga
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
Session 4: Break-away groups 14:00 – 15:10	Topics: (Note: RAEI Members are invited to submit additional topics for this session or propose speakers that can be invited to talk on these topics) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post-doctoral fellows and how to determine their taxation on remuneration Roll-backs and corrections after IRP 5's were issued – What is best practice? Recruitment for HEI's academic and administrative vacancies – by external agencies or by internal HCM department?
15:10 – 15:30	Refreshments
Session 4 (continued): 15:30 – 16:00	Feedback from the break-away group discussions
Session 5: Team building 16:00 – 16:50	Teamwork Fun Event – “ Let's play Hockneyball ” – Delegates from various institutions are allocated to teams for this event to promote interaction between colleagues of other institutions, and to win the prizes.
19:00 – 23:00	Informal fun dinner & dance at the Ocean Breeze Hotel with our DeeJay Theme: “Wear the colours of your favourite sports team or sport hero” Dress code: Informal, but the outfit that you wear could win you a prize 😊 (Wearing the sports colours is not compulsory)
Friday, 11 October 2024	
Breakfast and hotel check-outs 07:30 – 08:45	Delegates are given the opportunity to check-out at the hotel reception after breakfast as their normal check-out time is at 10:00
08:45 – 09:00	Lucky draw
Supplier presentations 09:00 – 09:15	Participating suppliers to the Payroll and HCM functions are given the opportunity to introduce their services and products.
Session 6: Presentation 09:15 – 10:10	Topic: Invitation to SARS to present on the AA88 “Garnishee” Instructions and on the new E@syFile Program which they rolled out, as well as applicable updates to eFiling functions.
Session 7: Presentation 10:10 – 11:00	Invitation to the Department of Labour to give an update on UIF and the latest uFiling requirements.
11:00 – 11:20	Refreshments
Session 8: Paper 11:20 – 12:05	Session reserved for awaited submissions to present a paper by RAEI members or alternatively an update on the latest Labour Law changes and how it affects HEI's
Session 9: AGM 12:10 – 13:00	18 th Annual General Meeting of RAEI Chairperson: Ms Kaylin Hollenbach, UWC Important Note: Members of RAEI are hereby notified to submit points for the AGM agenda to the Administrator, Mr Peet du Plessis at stephandup1956@gmail.com The agenda closes on Monday, 29 September 2025.
13:00 – 13:10	Evaluation and lucky draw – You must be present to win this lucrative prize!
13:10 – 14:15	Lunch and goodbyes

Workshop arrangements

Venue: The Ocean Breeze Hotel, 17 Beach Road, Strand, Western Cape.

[The venue is +- 30 minutes’ drive from the Cape Town International Airport. Directions will be supplied to delegates two weeks prior to the workshop]

You can check it out on: www.oceanbreezehotel.co.za

Registration Fee: > Workshop attendance on Thursday & Friday, 9 & 10 October 2025

R 4 650.00 per delegate

(No VAT applies as *Best Practice Forums and Events* is not a registered VAT Vendor)

The workshop fee includes refreshments, lunches, and the dinner function on Thursday evening, **but excludes the cost of travelling, overnight accommodation, dinner on Wednesday evening and breakfasts.**

Note: The workshop registration fee **includes the R150.00 membership contribution to the RAEI Fund.**

The workshop fee is payable directly to Peet du Plessis – Sole Proprietorship t/a Best Practice Forums and Events

Payment: All delegates' institutions will be invoiced on receipt of the completed registration form and the amount is **payable on or before 9 October 2025**. The registration fees can be paid electronically by EFT directly into the account of:

Account name: PS du Plessis t/a Best Practice Forums and Events
Bank: Capitec
Account: Savings account
Number: 1968022382
Branch: 470010

[Please note that we do not have a credit card payment facility at the workshop]

Overnight accommodation:

Delegates who need overnight accommodation must please do their own reservations. The account of the accommodation is **not included** in the workshop registration fee and must be settled by delegates directly with their place of accommodation.

➤ **The Ocean Breeze Hotel ******

The hotel is situated at 17 Beach Road, The Strand, Western Cape. The hotel has ample rooms available, but it is important that you book your accommodation in time to ensure that you get a room. The Hotel has reserved a block booking for RAEI delegates but will start releasing rooms held as from the end of August. To book accommodation please contact +27 (0) 21 841 4300 or e-mail at sales@oceanbreezehotel.co.za One can also book online on their website www.oceanbreezehotel.co.za It is important that you indicate that you are attending the RAEI Workshop in order to qualify for the special negotiated rates as indicate below.

Special rates:

Single accommodation: From R1 250.00 to R1 600.00 depending on room type and see view or non-see view (Bed & breakfast)

Sharing accommodation in double room: From R1600.00 to R1 900 (Bed & breakfast)

[These rates include 15% VAT, but exclude the tourism levy of 1%]

*** Important:** Please note that if you are arriving on the **preceding Wednesday, 8 Oct.** that you book with dinner included, i.e. **dinner, bed and breakfast** which then will incur an extra charge for a buffet dinner in their restaurant at **R285.00 per person** inclusive of one soft drink. It is not required for the Thursday evening, 9 Oct. as then it is the gala dinner function, and this is included in the workshop registration fee.

Alternative Accommodation

Note: There are various other accommodation options available close by the Ocean Breeze Hotel. If the hotel gets fully booked, please contact the RAEI office for information on alternative accommodation.

Shuttle service from the airport: The Ocean Breeze Hotel partners with a shuttle service from and to the Cape Town International Airport, i.e. Zero_1 Transport Services. You can contact them on +27 69 501 2167 or on Whatsapp: +27 83 317 0827 or by e-mail: fargo27in@gmail.com It will probably be cheaper to use this service than to rent a car.

Workshop Registration: A registration form is attached hereto.

The closing date for registration is **Wednesday, 01 October 2025.**

Delegates should e-mail their registration forms to Peet du Plessis at stephandup1956@gmail.com or alternatively to info@raei.co.za

For any further enquiries, please contact **Peet** at: Tel: +27 (0)82 651 6364

Important: Delegates must please ensure that they receive **acknowledgement of receipt by e-mail** after submission of the registration forms, followed by the invoice to your institution for the registration fees. If the registration forms are not received before the closing date, it might not be possible to accommodate such delegates at the workshop.

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2025 WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

Workshop particulars:

Date: Thursday - Friday, 9 & 10 October 2025
Venue: The Ocean Breeze Hotel and Conference Centre
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATIONS: **Wednesday, 01 October 2025**

Registration detail of delegate

Title: Dr/Mr/Ms	First name (On name tag)	Surname	
Position			
Institution		Campus (if applicable)	
Institution address			
Tel no. (w):		Cell no:	E-mail:
Special dietary requirements (only mark if any): <input type="checkbox"/> <u>strictly halaal</u> [Note: A surcharge of R750.00 will apply as such meals need to be ordered from certified halaal suppliers] <input type="checkbox"/> <u>no pork or beef (not strictly halaal)</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>vegetarian</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>vegan</u>			
Please note that the above personal information will only be used for the registration for the workshop and for communications to registered delegates on all workshop matters.			

Terms and conditions of registration:

1. **I, the undersigned, hereby request to be registered for the RAEI workshop as follows:** **Mark Y(es) or N(o)**

Registration for Thursday and Friday, 9 & 10 October 2025: R 4 650.00 (No VAT applies)	
Attending the Thursday evening dinner (included in the registration fees)	

2. The personal details supplied above, are the correct details of the delegate that will be attending the workshop. If another person is to attend as a substitute, Best Practice Forums & Events must be informed accordingly in writing by e-mail at least 5 working days before the workshop.
3. **Billing of fees.** Please indicate the method of payment below, as **delegates will not be allowed to attend the workshop if a PO or Proof of Payment is not received before the time.**

On receipt of a Purchase Order from my institution, please issue an invoice to my institution for the applicable workshop fees	Purchase Order no:
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OR

Direct deposit / EFT to: PS du Plessis t/a Best Practice Forums and Events. Bank: Capitec; Savings Account; Account no: 1968022382. Branch code: 470010. Kindly e-mail proof of payment with invoice number as reference to stephandup1956@gmail.com	Amount: R
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4. If this registration is cancelled in writing or by e-mail, **within less than 5 working days (after 17:00 on Wed. 01 Oct.) and before 2 working days (12:00 on Mon. 06 Oct.)** of the workshop commencement date, **50% of the full registration fee** will be payable to Best Practice Forums & Events. Telephonic cancellations are not acceptable.
5. Please note that if a pre-registered delegate does not attend the workshop **without written notice of cancellation** of this registration as specified in point 4 above, he/she will be liable for **the full registration fee**. This also applies if a cancellation is received **within less than 2 days (after 12:00 on Mon. 6 Oct.)** before the conference commencement date, and **it also applies to a pre-registered delegate that does not pitch (no show)** for the workshop without written notice as specified herewith.
6. The workshop fee includes tea and coffee, lunches, and the dinner function on Thursday evening. Transport to the venue and any overnight accommodation is for the delegate's account.

Delegate signature:	Date:	
Authorized by (name): (If applicable)	Signature:	Date:

Submission details: Please e-mail this registration form to stephandup1956@gmail.com or to info@raei.co.za before the closing date of: **01 October 2025**