



Education, is participating in research to develop a school curriculum specifically targeted at basic education and community training. A workshop on this development project was held in Pretoria in July 2015.

Project 4: Policy design workshop: digital safety and wellness in schools

Together with the National Science and Technology Forum and the Civilian Secretariat for Police, the ACEIE hosted a Digital Safety and Wellness Policy design workshop in Kempton Park on 21 August 2015. At the workshop, security and safety issues for the public sphere, as well as for the cyber sphere, were highlighted.

Project 5: Conference on Digital Wellness in Africa

A three-day conference on digital wellness in Africa is being held at the University of Pretoria in November 2015. It will combine the theme of digital wellness with the UNESCO communication and information sector programmes of the Information for All Programme (IFAP) and the International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC), and will be co-hosted by the Institute for the Advancement of Journalism. ☈



The African Centre of Excellence for Information Ethics (ACEIE)

Coetzee Bester heads up national IFAP Committee

The Director of the African Centre of Excellence for Information Ethics, Coetzee Bester, was elected as the Chairperson of the National Information for All Programme (IFAP) Committee on 15 October 2014.

This coincided with the establishment of the National IFAP Committee on the same day.

Bester has been involved in the African Network for Information Ethics (ANIE) and the ACEIE for some years, and has been an invaluable partner in several activities related to IFAP at national, regional and international level. Conversely, the support of the UNESCO structures related to information ethics has enabled the ACEIE to do groundbreaking research that has benefited more than 50 academic and training institutions in Africa who are members of ANIE.

Established in 2001, IFAP is an intergovernmental programme of UNESCO. It serves as a platform for international policy discussions, cooperation and the development of guidelines for action

with regard to access to information and knowledge. Member states receive support in developing and implementing their national information policy and strategy frameworks.

The National IFAP Committee consists of members from government, as well as non-governmental and civil society organisations. Its work focuses on IFAP's six priority areas.

The Committee's aim is to support the development and implementation of information policy strategies and frameworks in South Africa. It will also contribute to strengthening IFAP's contribution in Southern Africa. A regional meeting of Southern African national IFAP committees took place in April 2015.

The ACEIE will provide office space to the South African National IFAP Committee. ☈