

# New Motheo Academy launched in Cornubia, KZN

The Motheo Construction Group on Friday, 23 April, launched its latest built environment skills development academy in Cornubia in KwaZulu-Natal. Motheo Academy is a triple accredited skills development solution, operating nationally and is focused on impacting the built environment stakeholders.



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Motheo Construction Group is appointed to construct phase 1A Cornubia Social Facilities Cluster in eThekweni, comprising a new primary school, community hall, sports field and park. The Cornubia academy will serve as a flagship youth training and development programme targeting young men and specifically women from the local community.

The training programme aims to equip the youth with immediate access to work as well as practical skills and experience that will afford them access to further career opportunities in the future. The one-year programme will expose the learners to various construction trade skills (including bricklaying, plastering and painting), workplace experiences and insights that will propel them into a career in the industry.

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*Cornubia Social Facilities Project, Youth Training Opening Event: [#MotheoAcademy pic.twitter.com/rycRrS9bAs](https://twitter.com/rycRrS9bAs)— Motheo Group (@MotheoGroup) [April 24, 2021](#) ”*

The approach of the academy is designed to achieve the following outcomes:

- Support provincial and local government in implementing their skills development strategy in the built environment,
- Close the skills gaps within the built environment,
- Create access to jobs for youth from local communities,
- Improve the quality and efficiency of technical work,
- Support small contractors with sustainability, business skills and mentorship,
- Proactively engage with local communities around skills development opportunities,
- Develop built environment professionals, and
- Engage with skills development stakeholders with the aim to enhance the impact of skills development initiatives at community level.

Skills development has a direct relationship to job creation, and is a foundational stepping stone for the learners who participate to create their own business, opportunities and go on to become successful entrepreneurs in the future.

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