

## ACI in Developing Countries 4<sup>th</sup> International Forum

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### ACI Ethiopia Chapter


- The 1<sup>st</sup> chapter in sub-Sahara Africa
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter in Africa after Egypt & Algeria
- Established in 2009
- Received outstanding chapter award from ACI
- Has held annual workshops every year starting in 2009
- Over 200 professionals in attendance

### The 2014 Workshop Held on May 7




The poster for the 5th Annual Workshop of the American Concrete Institute Ethiopia Chapter. It features the ACI logo at the top. The text reads: "5th Annual Workshop American Concrete Institute Ethiopia Chapter hosts a half-day workshop on Advances in Concrete Construction Practices in Ethiopia to be held at Hilton Hotel, Addis Abeba On Wednesday, May 7, 2014 9:00 am- 6:00 pm". It also lists sponsors like Orchid, ZIMS, and others, and mentions "Participation by Invitation".

### Awards Given at the 2014 Workshop



American Concrete Institute - Ethiopia Chapter  
award for  
**Lifetime Outstanding Performance  
in Concrete Construction**  
awarded to  
**Sileshi Yehualashet**  
May 2014  
Abebe Dinku, Prof.  
President, ACI Ethiopia Chapter



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### The 2014 Workshop

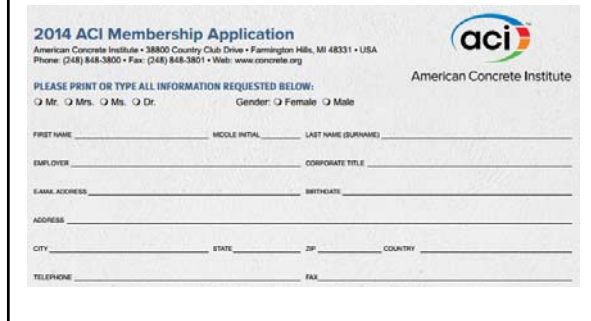


The photograph shows a workshop session. On the left, a panel of three men is seated at a table with a microphone and a floral arrangement. Behind them is a blue banner that reads "American Concrete Institute Ethiopia Chapter Fifth Annual Workshop Advances in Concrete Construction Practices in Ethiopia". On the right, a large group of men are seated in rows of chairs, listening attentively to the presentation.

### ACI in Developing Countries

- Great opportunity to improve concrete construction
- Revision of concrete.org: addition of different languages is great step forward

### Example of Opportunity for Improvement



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### Recommendation

- Appreciation of regional differences
- Cost adjustment considering:
  - Ability to pay
  - Potential impact
- Make certification programs more affordable

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