JOINT BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION (JBAE)

NOTIFICATION FOR THE SEPTEMBER 2026 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE COMPETENCE EXAMINATION (PPCE)

In line with Sections 7(5) (c), 11(i) and other supplementary provisions of the Architects (Registration, etc.) Act Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004, applications are hereby invited from applicants who fall under any of the categories below and wish to be pre-qualified for the -

SEPTEMBER 2026 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE COMPETENCE EXAMINATIONS (PPCE)

REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants must have had a minimum of two years supervised post-graduation practice by June 2026 (NYSC year included).

2. Applicants who have passed the ARCON Regularisation Programme (ARP) and NIA Finals II Examination (up to September 2017) with a minimum of two years supervised post-graduation practice by June 2026 (NYSC year included).

3. Prospective applicants with foreign qualifications must ensure that their degrees qualify for full registration by the professional regulatory body in the country of study with a minimum of 2 years supervised post-graduation practice (six months of which must have been spent in Nigeria).

4. Applicants who had been previously pre-qualified for any of the APCE or Professional Practice Competence Examination but did not proceed with the examination.

5. Applicants with references in a previous ARCON APCE and/or NIA PPCE.

6. Applicants with HND+PGD+M.Sc. or its equivalent obtained in or before the year 2020 can apply for the PPCE.

7. Prospective candidates in all cases must be Nigerians and currently fully involved in the practice of Architecture under the supervision of an Architect who is fully registered and financially up to date and permitted to practice Architecture in the Federal Republic of Nigeria with a minimum of Five (5) Years post-registration experience at the commencement of the supervision. Projects supervised under this category must be 5 years post registration of the supervisor.

8. Please note that only copies of original certificates sighted by current council members would be accepted for this online application.

9. Applicants who do not have a minimum 5 credits in Mathematics, English Language, Physics and any other 2 subjects need not apply as their applications would be stepped down.

10. All submissions must be made before the deadline of 5.00pm on Friday 21st August, 2026.

METHOD OF APPLICATION - FRESH & REFERRED CANDIDATES

Examination Dates: 21st September – 30th September, 2026

1. All FRESH applicants are to fill and submit an application via the ARCON PPCE application portal at www.arconigeria.gov.ng or the NIA PPCE application portal at http://www.nia.ng/ppce
2. Referred candidates can fill and submit an application via www.arconigeria.gov.ng or the NIA PPCE application portal at http://www.nia.ng/ppce. Ensure REFFERED CANDIDATE is selected at the beginning of the application.
3. JPEG format recent colored passport photograph taken against a white background must be uploaded along with scanned copies of all relevant educational certificates including WASC/WAEC or equivalent certificates. Statement of results and to whom it may concern are not accepted. B.Sc./B.Tech/B.E.S (Arch) and M.Sc./M.Tech/M.E.D (Arch) or their equivalent degrees. NYSC discharge certificate or exemption letter.
4. Court Affidavit for discrepancies in names (if any) on certificates or other credentials
5. Current Practice License(s) of your supervisors/guarantors/mentors/referees.

PAYMENTS

i. Non-refundable Application fee of N25,000.00 (Twenty-Five Thousand Naira Only) is to be paid online at the start of your application.

ii. Fresh Candidates can pay examination fee of One Hundred & Seventy-Five Thousand Naira Only (N175,000.00) via application dashboard after pre-qualification.

iii. Referred candidates' examination fee:

- Paper 2, Portfolio and Orals = N100,000,00
- Paper 1 and Paper 3 = N75,000.00
- Paper 1 = N75,000.00
- Paper 3 = N75,000.00
- All Papers including Portfolio and Orals = 175,000

iv. PPCE preparatory seminar fee of Thirty Thousand Naira Only (N30,000.00) is to be paid online after pre-qualification. Seminar will hold virtually on 3rd to 4th of September, 2026. Only pre-qualified candidates can pay for ii & iii above.

SIGNED:
JBAE MANAGEMENT