# 2019

A review of this years highlights at Hanslab Environmental Consultants.







# A RECAP OF THE YEAR...

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2019 was an exciting year filled with new ventures. Hanslab have been appointed for some major projects that have enabled us to broaden our project experience. The team has worked hard over the past year which has allowed us to adhere to our project timeframes and budgets. 2019 was not only an exciting year professionally but we also launched various team building and charity initiatives that will be discussed further in this article.

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### **PROJECTS:**

Hanslab has been appointed for several interesting projects throughout 2019. Some of the projects which we have started this year include the following:

#### Cemetery Establishment:

Our scope of works include a Feasibility Assessment and thereafter in 2020 we will work towards attaining the required authorisations.

#### **Business Hive:**

This is one of Hanslab's latest projects, in which our team will work towards attaining the necessary authorisations in the next few months.

#### **Housing Developments:**

Hanslab is working on multiple housing developments in which our scope of works include environmental auditing along with attaining the required authorisations.

#### Waste Water Treatment Works:

The scope of works include environmental auditing along with attaining the necessary authorisations. This was an exciting project, since a WWTW is a complex development,

## **TEAM BUILDING**

The team building initiatives we implemented this year included the following activities:

- · Team Bowling
- · Wellness Competitions
- · Volleyball
- · Indoor Football

### **IMESA 2019**

For the first time, Hanslab exhibited at the 2019 IMESA conference held at the ICC in Durban. Our consultants were present each day to promote Hanslab and to provide further information on the EIA and WULA processes. It gave us a chance to mingle with colleagues in the same sector along with the opportunity to network with prospective clients.

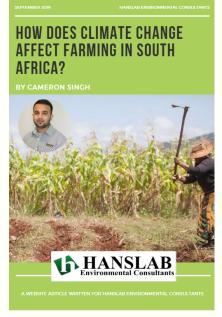




These events positively impacted the manner in which staff interact with each other as well as promoted a healthy lifestyle to all. It proved to be a fruitful initiative that will continue in 2020.



assumption that the country's water quality is one of the latest in the world. However, recent research has naticated otherwise. Since then an urgent appeal from the Department of Water and Sanitation has been made to municipolities to resolve all water and waterwater issues. KwaZulu-Natal has specifically been under pressure to marove and upgrade their wastewater treatments works actilities using improved technology that will be sustainable and lower the impact to the environment by imiting pollution into water resources (Department of Water Affairs, 2009). This was an urgent appeal from the Department of Water & Sanitation to ensure safe and item services are provided to all while in keeping the Vational Water Act (Act 36 of 1998), hereafter referred to the Act.



# SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEBSITE ARTICLES

Over the course of the year, the team at Hanslab wrote interesting articles pertaining to various environmental topics along with the various projects that they were involved in. These articles are uploaded onto our company website and our newly created Social Media pages. Company news, charity drives and events are frequently posted to these pages.



# COMMUNITY DRIVEN INITIATIVES

This year Hanslab Environmental Consultants embarked on several community driven initiatives. These included:

- The Mzamo Home visit and hamper/ lunch delivery
- The Child & Family Welfare Society Verulam visit and hamper/lunch delivery
- · Sandwich & Lunchbox Drive
- Women in STEM presentation for high school girls

Although these initiatives and awareness drives were beneficial to the community we served, the staff appreciated the humbling experiences too.



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After a sad goodbye to our offices in Terrence Place, the Hanslab Team moved to the new address:

1 Sugar Close, Gateway Office Park, Umhlanga.

The new premise provides a conducive environment for our staff to work with comfort, it also promotes team engagements and state of the art comferencing facilities. In addition, the recreational area provides a platform for staff to relax and build bonds with one another

