Complex engineering problems – Washington Accord's expectation

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ABSTRACT: The presentation will provide a general overview of Washington Accord's graduate attributes and their relationships with regards to the expectations to solve complex engineering problems, and aspects of complex engineering activities to be considered within the curricula. These will be discussed in the context of the expected knowledge profiles of engineering curricula. This will include introduction to Washington Accord requirements, Graduate Attributes, Complex Engineering Problems, Complex Engineering Activities and Knowledge Profiles. Participants will be able to apply the knowledge to develop engineering curricula that would fulfill the Washington Accord's expectation with regards to solving complex engineering problems.

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