Forthcoming Meeting

Meeting of W082 - Future Studies in Construction

5-6 April 2001, Wellington, New Zealand

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The next CIB W082 meeting will take place during the CIB World Building Congress 2001 in Wellington, New Zealand on the 5th (afternoon) and 6th (morning) April 2001.

Themes

The meeting will include three main items:

- A session dedicated to the presentation of the status and discussions on the current project dealing with "Construction and City Related Sustainability Indicators (CRISP)". This project started in June 2000 for European Members and is partially funded by the European Commission. It will be an opportunity for non European Members to get informed on the progress of the activities and eventually to join the project. Contributions on "Indicators" are welcomed.

- A session dedicated to the launching of a new project dealing with the topic "Technology and the Future of Construction". Discussions on the content and planning of the project. Contributions and ideas are welcomed.

- Discussion on other new project proposals (including ideas proposed at the last two meetings) and national initiatives. Contributions and ideas are welcomed.

Participation to the meeting is free of charge for people registered at the Congress (day registrations are also possible, see the Congress Invitation to Register).

In order to have a smooth running organisation of the meeting, I will ask you to send back the participation form as soon as possible to:

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New Techniques in the Building Sector Tomorrow and After Tomorrow

As we move into the twenty-first century, exhibitions and prospective studies are mushrooming in every sector. When celebrating its 50th anniversary in 1997, the CSTB also took a step into the future, imagining what the building sector might have to offer in the medium and long term. The ideas put forward by its engineers were then confronted with those of economic forecasting specialists, sociologists, architects and many others during a one-day seminar organised at the Georges Pompidou Centre in Paris in September 1997.

The result was a 240 page publication which contains an unprecedented technical forecast of the built environment.

The emphasis is on the following themes:
- Programmable Materials
- Active Façades
- Amenities and Services: Individual Comfort
- Saving Water
- Meeting Security Requirements
- Taking the Town Into the Home

It will be discussed whether this CSTB publication can be a start for a new CIB W082 project on “Technologies and the Future of Construction”.