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W096 – Architectural Management

Introducing the New Joint Coordinator

Prof. Stephen Emmitt

During its latest meeting that took place on March 8 2005 in Madrid, Spain, the CIB Programme Committee (PC) appointed Prof. Stephen Emmitt as the new Joint Coordinator of W096 on “Architectural Management” Below follows a brief presentation of Prof. Emmitt.

Professional Background

Professor Stephen Emmitt BA(Hons), Dip. Arch, MA Prof. Ed, PhD is the Hoffmann Professor of Innovation and Management in Building at the Department of Civil Engineering, Technical University of Denmark. He studied architecture at the Brighton School of Architecture, qualifying as a registered architect in 1986. After a period working with private practice and contracting as a design and project manager he set up his own design consultancy. In 1991 he joined an architectural practice in Manchester as a design manager/director and was involved in the implementation of process innovations to improve design quality and improve value for both client and building users. Following a series of guest lectures in architectural management Stephen entered higher education on a full time basis in 1997 to teach and research issues related to the integration of management, design and technology. Before joining the Technical University of Denmark in March 2003 he was a Reader in architectural technology and management at Leeds Metropolitan University.

Stephen gained his PhD in Architecture from the University of Manchester (1998) and a Masters in Professional Education (2002). He has organized three international conferences on detail design and a PhD summer school on lean construction. He is a member of the British Institute of Architectural Technologists Innovation & Research committee and is involved with many international research organizations and initiatives. Professor Emmitt has been an active member of CIB W096 Architectural Management and contributor to other CIB events since 1994. His publications include six books on management and technology, three edited conference proceedings and over eighty papers and articles. Throughout his career Professor Emmitt has been concerned with improving the transfer of design intent from the abstract to the physical through the use of innovative management tools and processes: focusing on the performance of processes and products. Current research activity is focused on integration factors and the relationship between effective interpersonal communication and performance. Stephen is also working on a new book on design management for architects. His plans for W096 evolve around increased promotion of the field and the development of practical guidance for practitioners.
Additional Information

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