**Forthcoming Meeting**

**Meeting on People in Construction**

*18-20 January 2006, Santiago, Chile*

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**Invitation**

CIB TG59 on "People in Construction" will hold a commission meeting on 18-20 January 2006 in Santiago, Chile. This meeting is taking place in conjunction with the International Symposium on "Construction in Developing Economies: New Issues and Challenges" jointly organized by CIB W107 on "Construction in Developing Countries" and the Department of Construction Engineering and Management of the Catholic University of Chile. A theme/session is dedicated to the Scope of TG59 at the Symposium. More about the Symposium from the News article here, or visit the website at www2.ing.puc.cl/CIBW1072006.

**Background**

The Task Group held its first meeting in June 2005 in Helsinki. TG59 focuses on human resource issues in the construction industry. Construction is a labour intensive activity and the behaviour of people has an enormous influence upon the organisation and performance. The Task Group aims to involve representatives of employers, workers and governments, and researchers in both developed and developing countries, and to foster dialogue and collaboration. Against this background the Task Group objectives are:

- to create a network of members who are interested and involved in research into labour issues in the construction industry
- to bring into the network researchers from outside the construction disciplines who are working on construction labour issues
- to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas on social and labour issues in construction amongst those in the network
- to identify key issues for future research and possible sources of funding
- to disseminate research findings within the network and to a broader group of academics and practitioners working in the field

**Agenda**

Items to be discussed in Santiago includes:

- Discussion on further extending the research agenda from a developing country perspective.
- Future meetings programme.
Future Meetings and Conferences

The following events are provisionally planned to take place as part of TG59 activities:

- TG59 may jointly participate in the International Conference on Construction Culture, Innovation, and Management "Sustainable Development through Culture and Innovation" on 26-29 November 2006, in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, organised by TG23 on "Culture in Construction.”
- First TG59 conference: Cape Town, South Africa, May 2007 in collaboration with W107, as part of or in conjunction with the Triennial CIB World Building Congress.

Additional Information

For additional information about CIB TG59 and its future meetings, please contact the Coordinator, Dr Jill Wells at [jill.wells@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:jill.wells@blueyonder.co.uk)

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