



## CIB NEWS ARTICLE

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### Forthcoming Meeting

## CIB World Building Congress 2007 Construction for Development

21 – 25 May 2007, Cape Town, South Africa



### Introduction

The International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction (CIB) stimulates and facilitates international cooperation and information exchange in building and construction research and innovation, technology development and documentation. It is engaged in the scientific, technical, economic and social domains related to building and construction, supporting improvements in the building process and the performance of the built environment.

CIB 2007 will build on the tradition of the triennial congress as the major platform for the presentation and exchange of research and information amongst its members and the industry.

The theme of this congress is Construction for Development, focusing on the important role that construction plays in the development of nations.

### Objectives

This event will provide an opportunity for knowledge-sharing between academia, R&D organisations and industry on a wide range of issues relevant to construction and development.

This congress is structured around the activities of the CIB commissions and priority themes include:

- Sustainable Construction
- Revaluing Construction
- The CIB's new priority theme, Integrated Design Solutions

Papers are invited in the following streams:

- Construction Industry Development
- Management, Organisation and Economics
- Clients and Construction Innovation
- Integrated Design Solutions

Additional sessions by CIB Commissions are also encouraged, such as:

- Construction in Developing Countries
- Architectural Management

- Safety and Health on Construction Sites

### Who Should Attend?

- R&D professionals and educators in the built environment
- Building and construction project managers
- Engineers and other built environment professionals
- Suppliers
- Policy-makers

### Venue

The congress will be held at the Cape Town Convention Centre in South Africa.

South Africa's parliamentary capital, Cape Town, is an accessible and convenient destination for international travellers. In the same time zone as Europe, it is merely a direct overnight flight from European and American cities. Its modern airport, Cape Town



International Airport, is only a 20-minute drive from the city centre, where the Convention Centre is situated.

Cape Town's city centre is vibrant day and night, clean, well policed and efficiently managed by an award-winning central city improvement district. Its Mediterranean climate is temperate, free of humidity, and conducive to the outdoor lifestyle that attracts millions of visitors to the city each year.

The Convention Centre is conveniently located within walking distance of the city's central business district, many fine hotels, its transport infrastructure and many of its major tourist and entertainment attractions.

- Cape Town International Airport (20-minute drive)
- The Victoria & Alfred Waterfront (10-minute walk)
- Houses of Parliament (15-minute walk)
- Historic Cape Town (10-minute walk)

- Table Mountain (10-minute drive).



The centre has been meticulously designed with absolute respect for the end-user and the most modern amenities and technology.

### Call for Abstracts

Participants wishing to present at the congress are invited to submit a 300-word abstract relating to the congress themes, which must be directed to the conference organiser.

### Additional Information

Further information and a template for abstracts can be obtained from the following web address: [www.cib2007.com](http://www.cib2007.com) and the conference brochure can be downloaded [here](#).

### Conference Organisers

This event is organised under the direction of the CIB President, Dr Rodney Milford, Director: CSIR Knowledge Services.

The conference organisers are the South African Institution of Civil Engineering (SAICE)  
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