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Forthcoming Meeting

W092 – Procurement Systems

Symposium on “Sustainability and Value Through Construction Procurement”

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by

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Introduction

This Symposium on “Sustainability and Value Through Construction Procurement” which will be held in Manchester, in North-West England will bring together researchers and practitioners from many parts of the world in order to share their research and knowledge concerning construction procurement.

Conference Themes

The purpose of the Symposium will be to report, review and speculate on the pursuit of sustainability and value through construction procurement. The main theme includes both

- the use of procurement to deliver wider sustainability (social, environmental, and economic) goals, and,
- the use of procurement to help maximize the value jointly created by the stakeholders to construction and the equitable distribution of the resulting rewards.

The organisers invite papers from both researchers and practitioners. The organisers are interested in both theoretical and empirical papers covering a range of themes, including and not limited to:

- Understanding Construction Markets and Competition
- Public Construction Procurement
- Policy Through Procurement
- Public Private Partnerships/Private Finance Initiatives
- Clients and their Role in Procurement
- Construction and Facility Management – Procurement Issues
- Integrated Procurement Strategies
- Procurement Strategies in Different Sector
- Value Procurement – Strategies and Processes
- Conflict Management and Procurement Systems
- IT/IS and Construction Procurement
- Theoretical Perspectives on Procurement

The implementation of procurement strategies are rarely culturally neutral exercises, so the cultural issues that can hinder successful implementation will also be addressed.
Call for Abstracts – For Papers and for Case Studies

Individuals wishing to make a contribution are invited to submit an abstract in accordance with the themes. The abstracts should be in English and of length from 200 to 300 words. The following information should be given at the top of the abstract:
- Title of the contribution
- Full name, title, affiliation of all author(s) and full address of the main author
- Keywords

E-mail submissions are encouraged, as either a Microsoft Word or Rich Text Format file, attached to the message. Please send e-mail submission for the attention of Dr. Peter McDermott (Conference Chair) to: Mrs Karen West at k.m.west@salford.ac.uk and be sure to include your full postal address and affiliation. Abstracts submitted will be peer reviewed by the International Scientific Committee.

Individuals wishing to present a case study or good practice exemplar at the conference, and not wishing to be subject to the formal paper submission process for acceptance to the refereed conference proceedings, are requested to follow the same procedure but also to clearly mark their Abstract as a Case Study.

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