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CIB Endorsed Student Chapters

New CIB Endorsed Student Chapter



Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile Department of Engineering and Construction Management

At its Meeting in September 2006 in Atlanta, USA, the CIB Programme Committee has accepted the proposal for the establishment of a CIB Endorsed Student Chapter at the Department of Engineering and Construction Management, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile. Hereafter follows a summary of the proposal.

Objectives

The promotion of the activities that help to develop the technological and professional capacities is the principal goal of the formation of this chapter. The necessity to be a member of an international network of information and technological diffusion is fundamental to be able to share investigations and knowledge of construction. That is why the Department of Engineering and Construction Management of the Universidad Católica of Chile was interested in establishing this CIB Student Chapter.

Organisation

The Chapter is administered by an Executive Committee consisting of seven members:

- General Secretary: Sergio Valenzuela svalenz@uc.cl
- Postgraduate student's representative: Magdalena Rojas murojas@uc.cl
- 2 undergraduate representative, one of which is: Loreto Acevedo liaceved@uc.cl
- Finances Head
- Project Head

In addition there will be a Department teacher who will participate as adviser. This is Prof. Alfredo Serpell aserpell@ing.puc.cl

The functions of the Executive Committee include:

- Establish a direct contact with CIB, keeping a fluid and direct communication.
- Organize activities referred to the Student Chapter.
- Producing a newsletter each semester containing the important activities of the Student Chapter.

Scope and Activities

The Student Chapter is open to both undergraduate and postgraduate students of the Department of Engineering and Construction Management at the Universidad Católica of Chile.

The Student Chapter will organise meetings, seminars, symposia, conferences and other activities.

The interest areas of this Student Chapter are investigation and innovation in construction, especially in:

- Management of Construction Operation
- Quality Management
- Simulation of Construction Operations
- Project Management and Control
- Human Management in Construction
- Information Technology applied to construction
- Infrastructure Management
- Road Engineering
- Technology of Construction Equipment
- Sustainable Construction
- Industrial Works