Forthcoming Meeting

W107 – Construction in Developing Countries

St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, 18-20 January 2008

Introduction

This is the final call for the submission of abstracts for the CIB W107 Symposium 'Construction in Developing Economies', which will take place in Trinidad & Tobago, January 2008 addressing issues relating to construction in developing countries and economies.

The symposium is particularly topical now, with the Agenda 21 on the table and the Millennium Development Goals ahead. The message of the ‘Inconvenient Truth’ resonates when considering the need for buildings, infrastructure and other facilities to be constructed in the Developing Countries.

Objectives

The objectives of the CIB W107 2008 symposium are as follows:

• To explore and discuss about new issues and priorities that concern the construction industry in developing countries.
• To explore and discuss how developing countries should address these challenges, what can they learn from developed countries and how to get their cooperation to carry out joint efforts.
• To present and demonstrate how research and innovation can be used to help companies and countries to address current and future demands.

Themes

The main themes will be related to:

• the issues surrounding effective public sector procurement and the avoidance of corruption.
• new issues and priorities of the construction industry in developing countries.
• how appropriate and sustainable technology can be encouraged, developed and/or transferred.
• the effective use and upgrading of the human resource.

Important Dates

The deadline for the receipt of abstracts has been extended to: 30 June 2007

Please send abstracts and/or finished papers to the Chairman at: tmlewis@eng.uwi.tt

Additional Information

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A dedicated website is up already, though it is still being improved and completed. The URL is http://www.cibw107-08.org/