Forthcoming Meeting

Joint CIB W092 / W107 / TG63

International Conference: Procurement of Construction and Reconstruction Projects in the International Context

Montréal, Canada, 23-25 October 2008

The IF Research Group (grif), in collaboration with i-Rec and CIB, organizes a conference-workshop about procurement of construction projects in the international context. The conference will be held at the Université de Montréal, Canada, on 23, 24 and 25 October 2008.

You can find all the information about the conference at: [www.grif.umontreal.ca/pages/conferencegrif08.htm](http://www.grif.umontreal.ca/pages/conferencegrif08.htm)

**Conference Themes**

The conference hinges on a set of workshops, group meetings and keynote presentations around three main themes:

- **Theme 1:** Public initiatives: public tendering, ensuring accountability, obtaining value-for-money etc.
- **Theme 2:** Private initiatives: international competitions, international bidding, public-private partnerships etc.
**CIB and Other Commissions**

The conference brings together:
- W092 on Procurement Systems
- W107 on Construction in Developing Countries
- TG63 on Disasters and the Built Environment
- the i-Rec network on post-disaster reconstruction

The conference-workshop addresses – among others – the following issues:
- How to procure a building project abroad?
- How do architects participate in international construction?
- What are the main risks of international procurement? What are the main risks of working abroad?
- Is it possible to implement procurement internationally? Is there such a thing as a real international supply chain?

The conference is intended for both academics and practitioners in the fields of:
- Architecture
- Project Management and construction management
- Urban planning and regional studies,
- Engineering
- Construction
- Humanitarian aid, reconstruction and international development

**Important Dates**

An abstract of no more than 300 words should be submitted by **14 January 2008**

Full manuscripts will be required by **15 June 2008**

Full manuscripts after corrections will be required by **1 September 2008**

**Registration**

The three-day delegate rate is $ Can. 350 (€250); after June 30, 2008: $ Can. 420 (€300). The fee is inclusive of one lunch each day, coffee breaks, one conference dinner, and an electronic copy of the proceedings, which will be issued to delegates on arrival.

Students (providing evidence of formal registration at a University) and delegates from developing countries may attend at a three-day rate of $ Can. 140 (€100); after June 30, 2008: $ Can. 210 (€150).

**Additional Information**

For further information about the conference please visit the designated website at: [www.grif.umontreal.ca/pages/conferencegrif08.htm](http://www.grif.umontreal.ca/pages/conferencegrif08.htm)

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