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CIB Special Interest Clubs

In 2007 three CIB initiated and facilitated Special Interest Clubs have been active:

- ICCF - the International Construction Clients Forum
- RMM - the CIB Research Managers' Meeting
- the CIB Deans' Club

The ICCF brings together high level representatives of innovative and internationally oriented Clients Organisations in a semi informal setting for exchange of information and mutual inspiration concerning how best to achieve best value for money from the Construction Industry and with a special interest for possible roles for large clients organisations (including national government agencies) in national industry performance enhancement programs.

Acting ICCF Secretary on behalf of CIB since October 2007 is Kim Haugbølle, SBI, Denmark (khh@sbi.dk)



The CIB Research Managers' Meeting has been re-activated in 2007 after having been inactive for a few years. It brings together the CEO's of national building and construction research organizations in a semi informal and confidential setting to exchange information and experience on topics of mutual interest. They had a one-day meeting in October 2007 in Hørsholm, Denmark in conjunction with the CIB Revaluing Construction Conference. A next meeting is provisionally planned to take place in March/April 2009 in Shanghai in conjunction with a half annual meeting of the CIB Board. The CIB RMM is coordinated by the CIB Program Committee Chair Dr Matti Kokkala, VTT, Finland (matti.kokkala@vtt.fi).



The CIB Deans' Club is a platform for cooperation and exchange between the Deans (or persons with similar positions) at departments, faculties, schools, colleges, ect. in CIB Member Universities. A first meeting of the CIB Deans' Club took place in May 2007 in conjunction with the CIB world Building Congress in Cape Town, South Africa and a next meeting will take place in February 2008 on Sri Lanka in conjunction with the 2008 BEAR Conference. This activity was introduced in a News article that can be downloaded [here](#). The Deans' Club is coordinated by Prof Martin Betts, Queensland University, Australia (m.betts@qut.edu.au).

