

39th Meeting of the CIB Administrative Committee

CIB Finances and all its ramifications are central to the work of the Administrative Committee and high on the Agenda of its meeting in Gaithersburg was to discuss the Auditor's Report for 1997 and Budget of Income and Expenditure for 1998, before recommending their approval by the Board.

Membership development is another matter which is kept under regular review by the Committee. It is not only the actual number of applications from new members which is scrutinised but such important aspects as where they come from and what they do, that are analysed.

The Administrative Committee heard that 1997 saw 55 new members divided as follows over the three membership categories: Full Members 4; Associate Members 24 and Individual Members 27.

It noted that while in the past some 65% of the CIB Membership originated from Europe, in 1997 only 24 out of the 55 new Members were from that continent. Thus the trend of attracting an increasing number of members from outside Europe is clearly continuing.

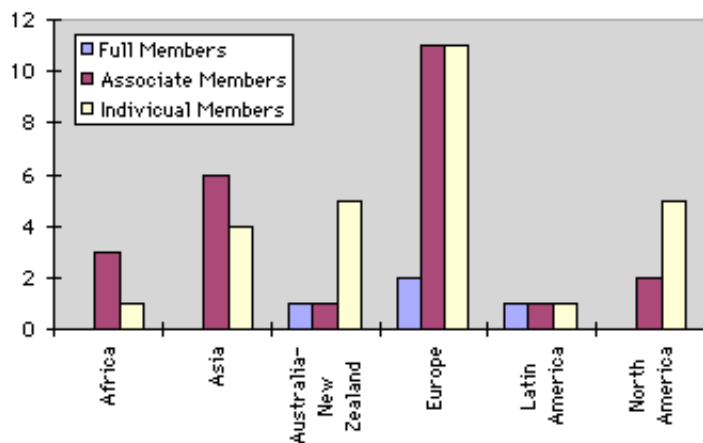
An analysis of the professional backgrounds of the new Full and Associate Members also served to confirm a trend that had already been perceived, whereby there is a growing dominance amongst new members by Universities.

In 1997 as many as 19 out of the 28 new Full and Associate Members were Universities.

The overall situation is graphically illustrated in the three following charts taken from documentation tabled at the Administrative Committee Meeting.

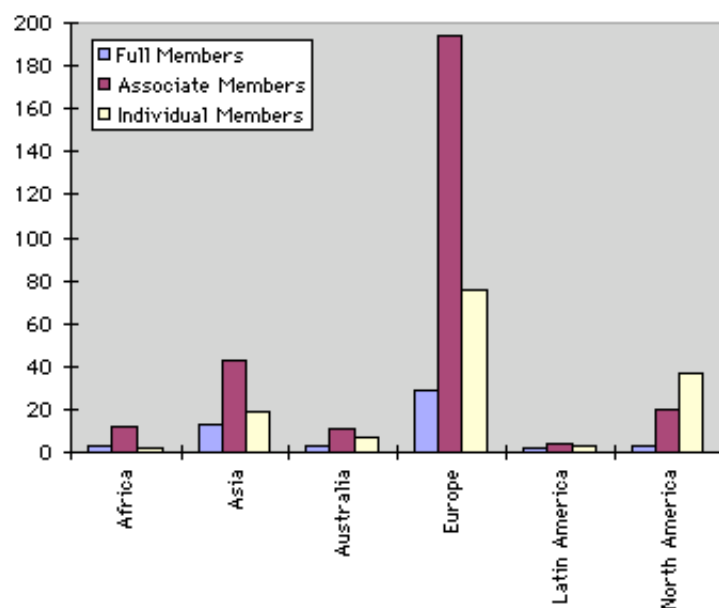
New Members 1997 per Region

	Full Members	Associate Members	Individual Members	Grand Total
Africa		3	1	4
Asia		6	4	10
Australia-New Zealand	1	1	5	7
Europe	2	11	11	24
Latin America	1	1	1	3
North America		2	5	7
Grand Total	4	24	27	55



Total per Region per 01-01-1998

	Full Members	Associate Members	Individual Members	Grand Total
Africa	3	12	2	17
Asia	13	43	19	75
Australia	3	11	7	21
Europe	29	194	76	299
Latin America	2	4	3	9
North America	3	20	37	60
Grand Total	53	284	144	481



Professional Backgrounds New Members 1997

	Full Members	Associate Members	Grand Total
101 Research Institute		4	4
200 University	2	17	19
301 Construction firm		1	1
302 Building Materials , Components and/or Equipment Producer		1	1

304 Building and Civil Engineering Consultants	1		1
308 Housing Corporation		1	1
403 National, Regional or Local Government	1		1
Grand Total	4	24	28

