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Construction Sustainability and Innovation

CIB W89
International Conference on Building Education and Research

10 – 13 April 2006
Kowloon Shangri-La Hotel, Hong Kong

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT
Message from the Organizing Committee Chairman

Education and research are the two most important factors affecting the speed of advancement for the building and construction industry. Built upon the successful experience gained from the last CIB W89 Building Education and Research (BEAR) Conference held in Salford, the U.K. in 2003, I welcome you to attend the next CIB W89 BEAR Conference to be held in April 2006 in Hong Kong, this time with a particular conference focus on sustainability and innovation. The Conference provides a good opportunity for those building and construction practitioners to share their practical experiences and successful stories with peers, particularly in the areas of sustainability and innovation; for academics and researchers to disseminate their latest research findings; and for government officials as well as policy-makers to share with the conference participants about their building and construction related policies and approaches. So far we have received over 200 abstracts of conference paper submission. I would like to encourage those of you who are interested about this Conference to make registration on or before 15 December 2005 in order to enjoy the benefit of early bird registration. See you in Hong Kong.

Prof. Francis Wong

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Conference Date: 10-13 April 2006
Conference Venue: Kowloon Shangri-La Hotel, Kowloon, Hong Kong
Official Language: English

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- Early Bird Registration (on or before 15 Dec 2005) HK$3,900/US$500
- Normal Registration (after 15 Dec 2005) HK$4,290/US$550
- Student HK$3,860/US$495

REMARKS: Registration fee includes opening reception, conference lunch and dinner, conference attendance, book of abstracts, papers on CD and technical tour.

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- Cancellation on or before 15 Dec 2005: 50% of registration fee is refundable.
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http://www.info.gov.hk/immd/english/topical/a/1.htm

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Host Institution
The BEAR 2006 conference is hosted by the Research Centre for Construction and Real Estate Economics and the Research Centre for Construction Innovation under the Department of Building and Real Estate at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

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CPD will be considered by the following Associations:
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The Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers

Location Map

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Embedded image of a map showing Kowloon, Hong Kong, with key locations marked.
Introduction
The BEAR 2006 Conference is a landmark gathering for international academics, practitioners, professionals and policy makers concerned with the future of Built Environment Education and Research. The theme of this conference is to promote the advancement of the built environment and to strengthen building education with emphasis on construction sustainability and innovation. It is also a major occasion for the CIB WB9 Working Commission in investigating key issues around the globe on built environment education and collaborative practices.

Conference Themes
Original research papers on all topics related to education and research for the built environment, including but not limited to the following three conference sub-themes will be presented:

Teaching and Learning Sub-Themes
- E-learning
- On-line Programme Development
- Curriculum Design
- Learning Outcome Performance Assessment

Building Related Sub-Themes
- Healthy Building
- Repair and Maintenance
- Value Management
- Property Management

Construction Related Sub-Themes
- Construction Safety and Quality
- Construction I.T.
- Environmental Issues
- Procurement
- Project Management
- Performance Assessment

CIB WB9 has identified the importance of industry/ professional engagement and research management within the Built Environment. These will also be key areas for contribution to BEAR 2006.

Keynote Speaker
Roger Flanagan
Professor of Construction Management,
School of Construction Management & Engineering, University of Reading, UK

Program at a glance
10 April 2006 (Monday)
Venue: Hong Kong Jockey Club Auditorium, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
5:00pm - 7:30pm Registration and Welcome Reception

11 April 2006 (Tuesday)
Venue: Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel, Kowloon
8:30am - 9:00am Registration
9:00am - 9:10am Welcome Speech
9:10am - 9:30am Opening Speech
9:30am - 10:05am Keynote Speech
10:05am - 10:30am Tea Break
10:30am - 12:10pm Parallel Sessions
12:10pm - 1:45pm Lunch
1:45pm - 3:05pm Parallel Sessions 2:35pm CIB Student Chapters Meeting
3:05pm - 3:20pm Tea Break 3:30pm CIB WB9 Working Commission Meeting
3:20pm - 4:40pm Parallel Sessions
5:00pm - 7:00pm Cocktail Reception hosted by Centre for Education in the Built Environment (CEBE), UK

12 April 2006 (Wednesday)
Venue: Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel, Kowloon
8:30am - 9:00am Registration
9:00am - 10:20am Parallel Sessions
10:20am - 10:35am Tea Break
10:35am - 12:15pm Parallel Sessions
12:15pm - 1:45pm Lunch
1:45pm - 3:05pm Parallel Sessions
3:05pm - 3:20pm Tea Break
3:20pm - 3:50pm Announcement by CIB WB9
3:50pm - 4:20pm Closing Speech
6:00pm - 7:00pm Conference Dinner
(Venue: Hong Kong Jockey Club, Shatin)

13 April 2006 (Thursday)
9:00am - 12:00pm Technical Visits
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