# Joint International Conference on Construction Culture, Innovation, and Management (CCIM)

## 26-29<sup>th</sup> November 2006

This joint International Conference provides a unique opportunity for practitioners and researchers to meet to exchange experiences and ideas on the pursuit of Sustainable Development in the spectacularly dynamic environment of Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Dubai provides a most exciting and appropriate setting for this International Conference with its multi-cultural society enjoying a phenomenal and innovative boom in construction.

The main theme of the International Conference is:

### "Sustainable Development through Culture and Innovation"

This joint International Conference combines:

- 1. The CIB Task Group on "Culture in Construction" (TG-23) International Conference.
- 2. The 4th International Conference on Innovation in Architecture Engineering and Construction.

### **Organisers of the Conference**

BUID The British University in Dubai, UAE

CIB International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction (TG-23: Culture in Construction).

CICE Centre for Innovative and Collaborative Engineering, Loughborough

University, UK.

#### **Aim of the Conference**

The integration of the two international conferences provides a special opportunity for researchers and professionals who are interested in the commissioning, planning, design, construction and management of the Built Environment to meet, exchange ideas and learn of the latest research in this very important field.

The main theme of the conference provides an exciting opportunity to explore new research findings and ideas, innovative industry practices, and the ability to implement

them successfully in diversified and multi-cultural business environments – such as that of the United Arab Emirates..

#### **Topics**

The conference topics cover a range of themes including:

- 1. Working with diversity and multi-culturalism.
- 2. Innovative use of ICT and advanced technology in construction.
- 3. Cultural change to embrace sustainability.
- 4. Promoting innovation culture in construction.
- 5. Risk Management in multicultural environment.
- 6. Integrating sustainability into business processes.
- 7. Ethics and social responsibility in construction.
- 8. Innovative construction methods, technologies and processes
- 9. Innovative approaches to procurement and project delivery
- 10. Innovative approaches to collaborative working
- 11. Novel approaches to project planning and management
- 12. Innovation sin health, safety and sustainability management
- 13. Modern approaches to information and knowledge management
- 14. Human & organisational aspects of innovation
- 15. Innovation in design (architectural, structural, etc.)

#### **Organising Bodies**

**BUiD**- The British University in Dubai is the Middle East's first research based, postgraduate university offering a unique opportunity for higher education. As one of the region's most innovative institutions, BUiD sets the standards for study and research that will significantly contribute to the technological innovation and growth of the Arab world and beyond.

CIB- CIB is the International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction providing a global network for international exchange and cooperation in research and innovation in building and construction. CIB supports improvements in building processes and in the performance of the built environment. The CIB Programme covers technical, economic, environmental, organisational and other aspects of the built environment during all stages of its life cycle. CIB addresses all steps in the process of basic and applied research, documentation and transfer of research results, and the implementation and actual application of them in practice.

TG-23 is the specialist Task Group of CIB researching culture within the construction industry worldwide. The current main activity involves researching the nature of national cultures and the cultures in various sectors of the construction industry in order that an "inventory of Culture in Construction" may be produced to both inform further research and to assist practitioners operating across national and sectoral borders.

CICE - The Centre for Innovative and Collaborative Engineering (CICE) is a Centre of Excellence committed to advanced training and research in Engineering and Management. At the core of our operations is the prestigious Engineering Doctorate (EngD) programme, which is designed to produce doctoral graduates that can drive innovation in the engineering industry with the highest level of technical, managerial and business competence. The programme is geared towards providing innovative solutions to challenging industry problems and is open to graduates in any branch of engineering or applied science.

#### The Venue:

The conference venue is in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Dubai is a bustling centre of excellence, recognised as the commercial capital and tourism centre of the region, and one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world. It is a city of contrasts, where outstanding modern architecture and soaring skyscrapers stand alongside traditional Arabic buildings and suburban villas.

Dubai's many and varied attractions provide visitors with a unique experience. Miles of clean, uncrowded sandy beaches give way to mysterious byways from an exotic Arabian heritage. The timeless majesty of the desert contrasts with a spectacular nightlife of restaurants and nightclubs.

The city has a strong service-driven economy, offering every business amenity from banking to telecommunications. International trading and industrialisation are encouraged by the provision of seaports and specialist free trade zones. Recent projects, such as Dubai Media City and Dubai Internet City, are bringing 21st century technology and communication to Dubai in the world's first Free Zone dedicated to e-business.

Arabic is the national language, but English, Urdu, Hindi and Farsi are widely spoken. Arabic and English are the main business languages. <a href="https://www.dubai.ae">www.dubai.ae</a>. <a href="https://www.dubai.ae">www.dubai.ae</

## **Important Dates**

1<sup>st</sup> March Submission of Abstracts

1<sup>st</sup> June 2006 Deadline for full papers

15<sup>th</sup> September 2006 Feedback from Referees on full papers

10<sup>th</sup> October 2006 Submission of final full papers

## **Conference Organisation**

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