



FIDIC

Activities

[FIDIC Adjudication Workshop – Candidates Invited](#)

The next workshop for candidates aspiring to the Presidents List of Adjudicators will be held in Europe in June 2012, according to APA chairman Peter Chapman.

[FIDIC Training Resources Receive a Boost](#)

The first FIDIC Trainers Accreditation Assessment Workshop was conducted in London on 8-10th of December. Ten candidates from nine countries were assessed by the FIDIC Assessment Panel for Accredited Trainers.

[Corruption Prevents Economic Growth](#)

“Corruption presents one of the most debilitating challenges to economic growth and stability world-wide” states the newly-elected FIDIC President Geoff French at the World Consulting Engineering Conference in Davos.

[Quality Procurement Key to Infrastructure Development](#)

Over 600 of the world’s leading consulting engineers from 76 countries attended the premier event for the industry in Davos, despite the change in venue and dates.

[FIDIC YPMT 2012 Programme](#)

Applications are open for young professional candidates interested in participating in the special 2012 on-line management training course. Details from ypf.fidic.ch/training

Business

Development

[New-look FIDIC National Training Programme Launched in Korea](#)

A 5 month training programme on FIDIC Contracts modules and Business Practice modules was organised in Korea by FIDIC with the support of local Member Association KENCA.

[South-America Training Events Launched](#)

Interest is increasing in South-America in the development of FIDIC training activity. Late 2011, a FIDIC training workshop was held in Brazil.

[African Consultants Enhance Business \(FCAA Conference, Rabat\)](#)

FIDIC Managing Director Enrico Vink addressed the topic of sustainable development and business networking at the annual conference of the Federation of Arab and African Consultants held recently in Rabat, Morocco.

[Russia Edges toward FIDIC](#)

Following a FIDIC seminar held in London for the Russian construction industry, a FIDIC delegation visited Moscow and was warmly received by the industry and Government officials.

[Poland Conference aims at Regional Coverage](#)

In collaboration with FIDIC partners at the Warsaw Arbitration Centre, FIDIC announces the first of a series of training events focusing on the Baltic region and Central Europe.

Practice & Contracts

[New Guides available for the consulting engineers](#)

FIDIC is pleased to advise the launch of several new guides aimed at enhancing the knowledge of consulting engineers, and best practices in selecting professional consultants.

[The FIDIC Sub-Contract was launched](#)

The Construction (1999 Red Book) Subcontract 1st Ed (2011) was launched, in support of the popular 1999 Construction Contract

[Procurement Procedures Guide Launched](#)



Strategic Partner



Contracts Course
BELGRADE-Serbia
6-7 February 2012
ORDER NOW



Contract 2011 Seminar
DUBAI, UAE
6-7 March 2012
ORDER NOW



Contracts Training Course
LONDON
5-6 March 2012
ORDER NOW



Contracts Management & Administration
DOHA
17-19 Jan 2012
ORDER NOW



Claims & Dispute Resolution
ISTANBUL
February 2012
ORDER NOW



FIDIC International Contracts Users Conference
Doha
22-23 Feb 2012

The Procurement Procedure Guide, first edition released in October 2011, is presenting a comprehensive outline and detailed guidance on all aspects of the procurement process.

[Russian - Serbian and Arabic translation](#)

FIDIC is pleased to announce the availability new of Russian, Serbian and Arabic versions of the main FIDIC contracts in electronic format (pdf).



Industry

Representation

[European Barometer points to Positive and Negative Profit Trends in the Sector](#)

A recent survey undertaken by the European Federation of Engineering Consultancy Associations (EFCA) examined the consulting Engineering sector turnover and profit trends.

[Pan American Federation FEPAC Celebrates 40 Years](#)

FIDIC congratulates its regional partner the Pan American Federation of Consultants (FEPAC) for the 40th anniversary of its foundation in November 2011.

Image

[FIDIC Centenary Awards Announced](#)

As part of the centenary celebrations in Barcelona 2013, FIDIC would like to recognise and applaud the best consulting engineering achievements of the last 100 years.

Principles

Ethics

[Private Sector more prominent in Anti-Corruption \(UNCAC - COSP4, Marrakech, 2011\)](#)

A five-page resolution on prevention calls for States Parties to promote engagement by the private sector in anti-corruption, including development of safeguards in sectors like energy, transportation, environment and in the organisation of major public events, including sport-related events.

Sustainability

[FIDIC Introduces Climate Change Policy Statement](#)

As the world's leaders met in Durban to discuss again further variations on carbon trading, and a possible new agreement to 2015, FIDIC continued to work on plans to introduce a carbon neutral approach to the development of infrastructure.

Announcements

[News from the Executive](#)

Three vacancies on the FIDIC Executive Committee were filled at the General Assembly meeting in Davos.

[FIDIC Enhances Social Connections](#)

You can now "like" FIDIC activities on Facebook and follow its tweets on Twitter! In response to the increasing use of social media and its recognition as an effective communication tool for international organisations, FIDIC has revamped its presence on Facebook and Twitter.

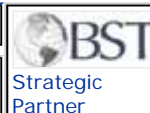
FIDIC - Activities

FIDIC Adjudication Workshop – Candidates Invited

The next workshop for candidates aspiring to the Presidents List of Adjudicators will be held in Europe in April 2012, according to APA chairman Peter Chapman. Candidates from Asia, Africa and Latin America in particular, with relevant experience, are warmly welcome to contact the FIDIC Secretariat for further details.



FIDIC Training Resources Receive a Boost



The first FIDIC Trainers Accreditation Assessment Workshop was conducted in London on 8-10th of December. Ten candidates from nine countries were assessed by the FIDIC Assessment Panel for Accredited Trainers. It is acknowledged that Accredited Trainers can play a significant role in promoting the use and understanding of the FIDIC contract documents which are now widely accepted all around the world. FIDIC places great importance on this role, and is committed to maintaining the necessarily high standards that are required of those who are accredited to train on FIDIC contracts. Consequently the assessment process has been both necessary and rigorous.



The assessment process was a two part process. First, FIDIC required all candidates to supply relevant background information in order to determine whether candidates possess qualifications and experience suitable for accreditation. Secondly, candidates who were able to demonstrate relevant experience and qualifications were then invited to register for an assessment workshop of two and half days duration. During this assessment, presentations, case studies and similar tests were used to assess candidates' broad understanding and practical experience in construction contracts. Candidates were also interviewed. The workshop accreditation focused on the standard FIDIC Module 1 course programme, covering the FIDIC Rainbow Edition 1999 including the MDB harmonised version and the Gold Book. This course is currently in highest demand, with FIDIC having arranged some 80 events in 2011 in over forty countries. A larger pool of accredited trainers will enable FIDIC to better meet the growing demand from both private and public clients.

6-7 February
2012
ORDER NOW

MATRIX

Contract
2011
Seminar
DUBAI, UAE
6-7 March
2012
ORDER NOW

ECV

Contracts
Training
Course
LONDON
5-6 March
2012
ORDER NOW



Contracts
Management &
Administration
DOHA
17-19 Jan
2012
ORDER NOW

Corruption Prevents Economic Growth

"Corruption presents one of the most debilitating challenges to economic growth and stability world-wide" states the newly-elected FIDIC President Geoff French at the World Consulting Engineering Conference in Davos.



Consulting engineers, who deliver a significant portion of world infrastructure, acknowledge the frustrations of working in environments which have a high risk of exposure to bribery and corruption. Official estimates put the annual loss of investment in construction at some \$600 billion, or 10 percent of the total annual investment in infrastructure. Not surprisingly, the topic of defining quality in the procurement of professional consultants received considerable attention, especially with the multi-lateral development banks in attendance. The topic of white listing as well as black listing remains sensitive, but continues to be pursued by FIDIC, especially with new tools such as FIMS (see below).

**cornerstone
seminars**

Claims &
Dispute
Resolution
ISTANBUL
February 2012
ORDER NOW

informa

FIDIC
International
Contracts
Users
Conference
Doha
22-23 Feb
2012

**KEATING
CHAMBERS**

Course
Sponsor

Quality Procurement Key to Infrastructure Development

Over 600 of the world's leading consulting engineers from 76 countries attended the premier event for the industry in Davos, despite the change in venue and dates. The organisers were successful in transposing the original programme with its many African themes and activities from Tunis into the Swiss Alp region of Graubünden. With support from colleagues in both Tunisia and Switzerland, delegates were able to share the business opportunities from networking with each other. On day one, North Africa was examined in detail, in the context of dynamic change and its likely impact on infrastructure development. Speakers from throughout the region shared their experiences and views on such developments in a special open Forum. Seminars later in the day explored good practices in procurement, financial management and governance issues, as well as the evolving business needs of firms to adapt to changing market requirements. Speakers from clients, contractors, consultants and banks shared their views on these cross cutting issues.

Capacity building throughout Africa was the focus of day two, with a number of imminent speakers contributing to the forums. Africa expert Baroness Lynda Chalker and South African Minister Trevor Manuel led off the day, looking at business opportunities on the continent. A feature of both days was the valuable contributions from Young Professionals who, as future leaders of the industry, were charged with meeting the challenges presented by clients, and by society.

Day three took a bold leap into the future of the industry, in identifying what firms and associations need to do in order to enable their member firms to sustainably offer quality services in the years ahead. Speakers from across the globe contributed their knowledge and experience into this important debate for the industry. Further details on the dynamic programme, and copies of presentations, are available on the FIDIC website at www.fidic2011.org

Given the current challenges being faced in many countries, it was evident that a significant number of participants were making full use of the facilities available to network with other firms, and examine options for joint ventures and sub-consulting in other countries. Updated contracts for such services are currently in the FIDIC pipeline.

FIDIC YPMTP 2012 Programme

Applications are open for young professional candidates interested in participating in the special 2012 on-line management training course. Details from ypf.fidic.ch/training/



[top](#)

Business - Development

New-look FIDIC National Training Programme Launched in Korea

A 5 month training programme on FIDIC Contracts modules and Business Practice modules was organised in Korea by FIDIC with the support of local Member Association KENCA. The goal of the training programme was to train 25 participants and to accredit future FIDIC international trainers.



Several training material course notes and supporting slides have been developed by FIDIC and are now part of the FIDIC training course materials to be used for other international training events, enhancing the scope of the available FIDIC training modules prepared specifically for the consulting engineering industry (e.g. Risk Management, Quality Management, Environmental Management, among others).

The programme is expected to be repeated in Korea in 2012, and a number of other countries have expressed interest in adopting the programme. For details, please contact the FIDIC office.

South-America Training Events Launched.

Interest is increasing in South-America in the development of FIDIC training activity. Late 2011, a FIDIC training workshop was held in Brazil. The event was very well attended and proved to be a hit with participants.

Several training events are planned for the next year in the South-America region, reflecting the increased use of FIDIC contracts in Latin America, and the need for better understanding on their use. The main FIDIC contracts have recently been translated into both Spanish and Portuguese to facilitate the uptake in their usage.

With the admission of Brazil to FIDIC membership, FIDIC is now working closely with a number of other South-American associations in order to have them re-admitted to FIDIC.

African Consultants Enhance Business (FCAA Conference, Rabat)



Strategic Partner



Contracts Course
BELGRADE-Serbia
6-7 February 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)



Contract 2011 Seminar
DUBAI, UAE
6-7 March 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)



Contracts Training Course
LONDON
5-6 March 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)



Contracts Management & Administration
DOHA
17-19 Jan

FIDIC Managing Director Enrico Vink addressed the topic of sustainable development and business networking at the annual conference of the Federation of Arab and African Consultants held recently in Rabat, Morocco. The FCAA, recently established, now represents professional consulting engineers from 20 African countries, with strong support from North Africa. A key focus of the group is to establish and nurture business contacts, and explore real opportunities for collaboration on infrastructure projects. As such it complements the broader objectives of FIDIC in enhancing the business capacity of the industry in Africa.



2012
ORDER NOW

cornerstone seminars
Claims & Dispute Resolution
ISTANBUL
February 2012
ORDER NOW

informa
FIDIC International Contracts Users Conference
Doha
22-23 Feb 2012

KEATING CHAMBERS
Course Sponsor

Russia Edges toward FIDIC

Following a FIDIC seminar held in London for the Russian construction industry, a FIDIC delegation visited Moscow and was warmly received by the industry and Government officials. There is strong interest in FIDIC contracts, and agreement was reached to conduct a series of training seminars in Russia in 2012, plus a conference.



Training will take place in Moscow (March 2012), Yekaterinburg (June 2012) and St Petersburg (September 2012). Further details will be available in the New Year.

Poland Conference aims at Regional Coverage

In collaboration with FIDIC partners at the Warsaw Arbitration Centre, FIDIC announces the first of a series of training events focusing on the Baltic region and Central Europe. The first conference will take place in [Warsaw 26-27 April 2012](#).

[top](#)

Business - Practice & Contracts

New Guides available for the consulting engineers

FIDIC is pleased to advise the launch of several new guides aimed at enhancing the knowledge of consulting engineers, and best practices in selecting professional consultants:

- [Quality Based Selection Guide](#), for the procurement of professional services
- [FIMS \(FIDIC Integrity Management System\)](#), presenting the business case for having a robust but flexible integrity management system within the consulting engineering firm



BST
Strategic Partner

FIDIC
Contracts Course
BELGRADE-Serbia
6-7 February 2012
ORDER NOW

MATRIX
Contract 2011 Seminar
DUBAI, UAE
6-7 March 2012
ORDER NOW

The FIDIC Sub-Contract was launched

The Construction (1999 Red Book) Subcontract 1st Ed (2011) was launched, in support of the popular 1999 Construction Contract

Get the Subcontract 1st Ed (2011) from our [FIDIC bookshop](#).



Procurement Procedures Guide Launched

ECV
Contracts

The Procurement Procedure Guide, first edition released in October 2011, is presenting a comprehensive outline and detailed guidance on all aspects of the procurement process.



Get the Procurement Procedure Guide (2011) from our [FIDIC bookshop](#).

Training Course
LONDON
5-6 March
2012
[ORDER NOW](#)

Russian - Serbian and Arabic translation

FIDIC is pleased to announce the availability of [Russian versions](#) of the main FIDIC contracts in electronic format (pdf), as well as [in Serbian](#).



In addition, an Arabic version of the DBO Contract is now available through the [FIDIC bookshop](#).

[top](#)


Contracts Management & Administration
DOHA
17-19 Jan
2012
[ORDER NOW](#)

Industry - Representation

European Barometer points to Positive and Negative Profit Trends in the Sector

A recent survey undertaken by the European Federation of Engineering Consultancy Associations (EFCA) examined the consulting Engineering sector turnover and profit trends. The survey shows the diverging industry's views and perceptions on short term business developments within Europe.

According to the survey's results, only 18% of countries who participated in the questionnaire expect an increasing sector turnover the next 6 months. 29% think that this will decline and 24% think it will strongly decline in the near future. In terms of company profits, 47% think that it will decline in the next 6 months and an additional 23% think it will strongly decline. EFCA Directors and Secretaries decided to set up a task force to give continuation to the European "barometer" by elaborating a simple and concise standard e-survey on the current business situation and expected business activity. The results will be shared to all European associations in April and October each year. .


Claims & Dispute Resolution
ISTANBUL
February 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)


FIDIC International Contracts Users Conference
Doha
22-23 Feb
2012


Course Sponsor


Pan American Federation FEPAC Celebrates 40 Years

FIDIC congratulates its regional partner the Pan American Federation of Consultants (FEPAC) for the 40th anniversary of its foundation in November 2011. The event was celebrated in Lima, Peru and preceded by an Executive Committee meeting hosted by the Peruvian consulting association (APC) and a Seminar about how consulting firms may be affected by the current economic crisis in the world. FIDIC's Vice President Pablo Bueno, and Practice Manager Italo Goyzueta attended the event.

FEPAC is mainly composed of Latin American consulting engineering associations, together with Spain and Portugal, who recently joined the Federation in 2011. The strong economic growth in Latin America is expected to attract a large number of consulting engineer firms from Europe and North America which are looking to compete for business opportunities in the region with local firms. FIDIC is actively exploring the strengthening of collaboration between the two federations through specialised training courses, and the provision of FIDIC contracts and other business guidelines and practices.

[top](#)


Strategic Partner


Contracts Course
BELGRADE-Serbia
6-7 February
2012
[ORDER NOW](#)


Contract 2011 Seminar
DUBAI, UAE
6-7 March
2012
[ORDER NOW](#)

Industry - Image

FIDIC Centenary Awards Announced

The Executive Committee has accepted the idea of FIDIC's Centenary Awards as a celebration of the federation's 100 years of existence during the FIDIC Centenary Conference in Barcelona in 2013. The aim of the FIDIC Centenary Awards is to celebrate the




Contracts Training Course
LONDON
5-6 March

best engineering achievements of the last 100 years; help publicise the work of consulting engineers and the contribution they make to the world; celebrate FIDIC's centenary.

The Awards would therefore support the aims of the FIDIC Centenary Conference which are to raise the profile of consulting engineers and to help re-position the consulting engineering industry within society.

It is intended that there would be an exhibition of the best submissions for the Awards at the Centenary Conference.

The award nominations would be made by FIDIC Member Associations (MAs). In their submission the MAs will be asked for confirmation, where appropriate, that the projects are internationally recognised; demonstrate technical excellence; demonstrate innovation; and that are enduring and sustainable. Entries would be welcome covering all types of engineering projects.

The headline categories for the awards will be: the major building project of the last 100 years; the major civil engineering project of the last 100 years; the leading consulting engineer of the last 100 years.

The call for nominations will be officially requested to all FIDIC Mas early in January 2012.

[top](#)

2012
ORDER NOW



Contracts
Management &
Administration
DOHA
17-19 Jan
2012
ORDER NOW



Claims &
Dispute
Resolution
ISTANBUL
February 2012
ORDER NOW



FIDIC
International
Contracts
Users
Conference
Doha
22-23 Feb
2012



Course
Sponsor

Principles - Ethics

Private Sector more prominent in Anti-Corruption (UNCAC - COSP4, Marrakech, 2011)

A five-page resolution on prevention calls for States Parties to promote engagement by the private sector in anti-corruption, including development of safeguards in sectors like energy, transportation, environment and in the organisation of major public events, including sport-related events. It also calls for work with UNCITRAL's model law on procurement. It further calls on States to raise awareness about anti-corruption efforts and about "the existing rights and opportunities for the public to obtain information about the organisation, functioning and decision-making processes of their public administration" as well as to work with youth and to improve training for corruption prevention in the public and private sectors.

FIDIC presented its new Integrity Management System (FIMS) as a concrete example of how a significant industry has tackled the issue of corruption from the inside, with a tool developed specifically by the industry for the industry, in order to identify and deal with the risk of corruption and bribery. It has become clear however, that other solutions are being offered by other organisations, and that there is no global standard, even though influential organisations such as the World Bank (with its COST programme), the OECD, and even Transparency International, are all pushing generic guidelines on ways to combat corruption. FIDIC will continue to promote FIMS as an important criterion on the procurement process, and have this considered by clients and funders, as well as in the Uncitral Model Law on Procurement. Further details on the conference are available from FIDIC.

[top](#)

Principles - Sustainability

FIDIC Introduces Climate Change Policy Statement

As the world's leaders met in Durban to discuss again further variations on carbon trading, and a possible new agreement to 2015, FIDIC continued to work on plans to introduce a carbon neutral approach to the development of infrastructure.



It proposes changes in the role for the industry:

1. In adapting existing infrastructure to deal with the consequences of the changes occurring in the world's climate;
2. In adapting design methodology so that new infrastructure will be resilient to future changes in climate;
3. In mitigating impacts by designing infrastructure which will reduce the release of greenhouse gas; and
4. In raising awareness of the issue amongst engineering professionals, their clients and appropriate regulatory bodies.

FIDIC and its members will contribute to the realisation and promotion of a low carbon society in all of the stages of project implementation – planning, design, procurement, construction, operation, maintenance and disposal. Copies of the full statement are available from the FIDIC office.

The response to Climate Change, plus the development of a new Innovation strategy for the industry, will be incorporated in the comprehensive business programme being developed for the FIDIC World Conference in Seoul 9-12 September 2012: www.fidic2012.org

[top](#)

Announcements

News from the Executive

Three vacancies on the FIDIC Executive Committee were filled at the General Assembly meeting in Davos. The committee of nine international consulting engineers was pleased to welcome new colleagues from Canada (Chris Newcomb), France (Alain Bentejac) and Sweden (Kaj Möller). Special thanks went to retiring President Gregs Thomopoulos from the USA, after eight years of dedicated service and to retiring EC members Patrick Batumbya from Uganda, and Adam Thornton from New Zealand, each of whom served four years: <http://www1.fidic.org/about/comm/ec/>

During the General Assembly, two new member associations were elected to FIDIC membership, bringing the total to 89. FIDIC warmly welcomes Mozambique and Palestine into the global consulting industry.

FIDIC Secretariat resources were boosted during 2011 by the addition of Commercial Director, Francois Baillon; a new Practice Manager, Italo Goyzueta; and a new Design Manager, Christophe Sisto. The new team will enable FIDIC to offer a broader range of services to members and to the industry, in response to growing demand from the marketplace: www1.fidic.org/about/secretariat.asp

FIDIC Enhances Social Connections

You can now "like" FIDIC activities on Facebook and follow its tweets on Twitter! In response to the increasing use of social media and its recognition as an effective communication tool for international organisations, FIDIC has revamped its presence on Facebook and Twitter.



FIDIC members and friends can now "like" and follow information about FIDIC activities by checking on their personal social media accounts. FIDIC invites all readers to visit the FIDIC Facebook Page at <http://www.facebook.com/FIDIC.Page> and to follow FIDIC tweets on <http://twitter.com/FIDIC>

Comments and feedback to continue improving this communication are welcome.

[top](#)



Strategic Partner



Contracts Course
BELGRADE-Serbia
6-7 February 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)



Contract 2011 Seminar
DUBAI, UAE
6-7 March 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)



Contracts Training Course
LONDON
5-6 March 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)



Contracts Management & Administration
DOHA
17-19 Jan 2012
[ORDER NOW](#)



Claims &
Dispute
Resolution
ISTANBUL
February 2012
ORDER NOW



FIDIC
International
Contracts
Users
Conference
Doha
22-23 Feb
2012



Course
Sponsor

International Federation of Consulting Engineers
World Trade Centre II, Geneva Airport - Box 311 - CH-1215 Geneva 15 - Switzerland
TI +41-22-799 49 00 - Fx +41-22-799 49 01 - fidic@fidic.org - FIDIC.org