

Let's keep in touch...

❖ *CICA Mid-Term Board Meeting (Santiago, Chile – May 10, 2010)*

CICA Board Meeting was held at CAMARA CHILENA DE LA CONSTRUCCION Premises, taking the opportunity of FIIC 50th Anniversary Celebration, FIIC Consejo Consultivo, XXVII Interamerican Construction Industry Congress & Semana de la Construcción y Ferias.

Main topics discussed:

- ✓ WB **Sanctions Regime Reform** and **MDB Cross-Debarment**
- ✓ Report on **PPP DAYS 2010** at Asian Development Bank (Manila)
- ✓ Reports on CICA/ADB **Top Executive Meetings** in Manila, **The Philippine Constructors' Association**, **IFAWPCA & TGCA** Meetings.
- ✓ **New CICA Website live show. Effective on line: June 1, 2010. www.cica.net**
- ✓ **New CICA Brochure: hard copies available on request (on line on CICA website from June 1, 2010. Download and print!)**
- ✓ Promotion of the "**Friends of CICA**"
- ✓ **CICA Membership**
- ✓ Sustainable Business & Well Prepared Project **Working Groups**
- ✓ **Paolo Safady Simao's** proposals (Brazil)



Next Meetings:

- **CICA** Board Meeting: **October 15, 2010 – PARIS**,
- **CICA** Board & Council Meetings: **March 10 & 11, 2011 – Rio de Janeiro** +
- "**CICA Construction Event**": 4th Quarter 2011. Format & date to be defined.



CICA thanks very much **FIIC** and **The Chilean Construction Chamber** for their warm welcome and **congratulates them**, for the organization of a whole week of an utmost interest, in an atmosphere of great cooperation and congeniality. <http://www.fiic2010.cl/>

❖ *CICA's participation to CHINCA's International Infrastructure Investment & Construction Forum – IIICF (Beijing, China – May 11-12, 2010)*

- ✓ **Roger FISZELSON's**, **CICA** Special Advisor, active participation in roundtables and speech on "**Trends, Opportunities of Current and Hot Topics of the International Construction Market**".

❖ *CICA Meeting with Bernard Becq, World Bank Head of Procurement (Paris, Club-TP – April 23, 2010)*

Subject: consultations on Proposed Revisions of the WB Procurement & Consultant Guidelines *Reminder!*

WB HoP agreed for an **extension of the consultation process: deadline → June 1, 2010**
Comments from Regional Federations to be received by **May 21st, 2010.**

❖ *cica External Relations and Meetings*

- ✓ **Meeting on Morocco with his Exc. M. El Mostafa SAHEL, Ambassador of Morocco in France** – Paris, April 20, 2010
- ✓ **European International Contractors (EIC) General Assembly & 40th Anniversary** (Berlin, April 29-30, 2010)



*Well Prepared Project Working Group (WPP WG) – **Reminder!***

Regional Federations are requested to designate **EXPERTS** to participate.



*Sustainable Business Working Group - **Reminder!***

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News from the Regional Federations



FAC – Opening of the 2nd Public Works Conference and Exhibition in Kuwait

News Release 26/04/2010

On Tuesday 20th April 2010, opening of the 2nd Public Works Conference and Exhibition in Kuwait (Solutions and Capabilities) 20-22 April 2010 in Kuwait.

<http://www.arabcont.com/>



FIEC – Naïve public procurement

03/05/2010

Over the last few months FIEC has been working with its sister organisation, European International Contractors (EIC) to alert the major European institutions about state-owned companies from outside the EU bidding for EU-funded public sector projects. In fact, the COVEC-led Chinese consortium's winning bids were not only lower than the estimated budget – just 26,7% and 28,9% only of the client's respective estimates – but also some 30% cheaper than the next lowest offers raised. This raised many questions and complaints. FIEC and EIC consider such a low price to be impossible in the context of fair competition. The idea is not to close the European market or to fall back into protectionist behaviour, but to welcome competitors from outside the EU, provided they have to abide by the same rules as their EU counterparts, the so-called "level playing field".

<http://www.fiec.org/>

FIEC's Annual Congress, Limassol (Cyprus) from 27th to 29th May 2010.

www.topkinisis.com/FIEC2010Cyprus



AGC – AGC Releases New Green Construction Plan

April 22, 2010

Green Construction Plan Will Protect the Environment, Boost Hard-Hit Industry as New Figures Show 310 Out of 337 Metro Areas Lost Construction Jobs Between March 2009 and 2010

<http://www.agc.org/>