FCCE BULLETIN
Welcome to this second edition of the FCCE Bulletin. This newsletter will be published on a monthly basis. It will focus on the FCCE activities and introduce some of the FCCE’s shared experiences, and their work in China, as well as around the world. Through this newsletter, FCCEs will share their valuable experience and knowledge with the world. We will also show you the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) activities in the world, and provide you with updates on FIDIC’s future developments and initiatives in China.

After a long period of careful preparation by FIDIC, on 18 August 2020, FIDIC Consulting Services (Beijing) Ltd (FCS), a subsidiary of FIDIC Credentialing Ltd (FCL), was officially opened in China. It was considered important to deepen the partnership with China and in the region, and to build an efficient and effective bridge for communicating on a local and global level. As FCS is the first branch of FIDIC outside Switzerland and the first office of FIDIC in Asia, this marks a new and important chapter in FIDIC’s history.

FCS is committed to providing high quality, highly efficient services to consulting engineers and infrastructure experts, as well as to deepening the exchange of ideas. The development of capacity building for the Chinese consulting engineers, the strengthening of cooperation with domestic, foreign and various stakeholders, as well as assisting FIDIC in its certification processes form part of the initiatives that are being developed by FIDIC. The aim is to also provide technical advisory services and organize various professional meetings and activities. If you wish to subscribe to FCCE Bulletin or learn more about FIDIC activities, please pay attention to the FCS official WeChat subscription page: "FIDIC consultation" or visit the FCS website: https://china.fidic.org/zh-hant/.

FCS looks forward to working with FIDIC Certified Consulting Engineers and other stakeholders to introduce them to FIDIC’s advanced engineering project management concepts and principles and to engage their contribution to the improvement of engineering project management initiatives. If you have any questions or need help, please contact us:

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FIDIC holds two town hall meetings to inform the public about the establishment of FIDIC Credentialing Ltd.

On 16 and 17 February 2021, FIDIC held two town halls presentations which sought to inform the members associations and other stakeholders about the establishment of FIDIC’s subsidiary company, FIDIC Credentialing Ltd (FCL). It also offered the opportunity to answer some of the questions that had been raised in the past about this credentialing body and how it would function in the future.

Further information on this presentation can be found on the FCL website by clicking on the link below:

FCL officially launched on 1 March 2021

The start of this week has seen the official launch of FIDIC Credentialing Ltd, FIDIC’s first subsidiary company which will be responsible for certifying professionals working in the engineering, construction and infrastructure industries.

A press release providing information on this can be read on the FIDIC website. The link to the press release can be found by clicking on the link below:
https://www.fidic.org/node/32516

Further information on the launch can also be found on the FCL website:
https://fcl.fidic.org/fidic-credentialing-ltd-is-officially-launched/

FIDIC Series of Meetings and Events in 2021

FIDIC is holding a variety of online and offline conferences, seminars and other activities every year. According to FIDIC’s work plan for this year, the FIDIC Infrastructure Conference 2021 (FIDIC Annual Conference) will be held online from 12 to 14 September. FIDIC Contracts User Conference (Asia Pacific) will be held online from 12 to 15 July; Several FIDIC webinars (free) on different topics are also being held online. The FIDIC Committee webinar which was held on 23 February this year, under the theme: "How to strengthen and improve the capacity of customers and employers in emerging countries in the FIDIC contract management area", attracted a lot of attention.

It should be noted that each FCCE participant who attends a webinar, can accumulate 1.5 hours of FCCE continuing education credits for their recertification. FCCE participants who are participating in the FIDCID webinar should keep their webinar registration information and confirmation email so that they can contact the FCS to register and accumulate credit hours.
For more information on the 2021 FIDIC conferences, seminars and other activities, please go to the FIDIC website and can register for the activity you are interested at:

https://www.fidic.org/events

**FIDIC launches the new State of the World report**
The first edition of the State of the World (SOW) was recently launched with a webinar on 18 February 2021. This report is the first to have been published since the last one was issued in 2015. It is a comprehensive report which had the support of the United Nations Environment Programme, (UNEP) who partnered with FIDIC on this important initiative. The press release information can be found using this link:

https://fidic.org/node/32431

To read the report and find out more about the upcoming SOW events, visit the FIDIC website page which also provides a summary of the report as well as the link to the webinar video. For more information, click on this link:

https://fidic.org/node/31087#

The first SOW report can be found here:


The next SOW webinar will be held on 1st April 2021.

**New FIDIC business bulletin series on impact of Covid-19**
Last month saw FIDIC issue the first in a series of business bulletins highlighting the impact of Covid-19 on business practices in consulting engineering firms. Based on information gathered from 48 senior industry leaders in 19 countries across the world, the first bulletin focused on the new and evolving challenges faced by consulting engineering firms in their internal environment with respect to their staff, facilities and their resulting best practices.

For more information, please follow this link to read COVID-19 Outbreak Bulletin 1- Challenges and Best Practices: https://mailchi.mp/ef7f29c6667c/fidic-covid-19-bulletin-1-january-2021
Publication of the FIDIC Suite of Contracts by CMP in March 2021

China Machine Press will be producing the official Chinese-language translated versions of the 2017 edition of the FIDIC Rainbow Contracts suite. From March 2021, these books will be available for purchase in hard copy, but also online as a soft copy.

All FCCEs as well as those interested in this updated version of the contracts and who wish to get their hands on a copy, should contact the FCS office (Tel: 010 – 56950858; email: fcs@fidic.org). FCS office will happily provide you with further information and details about payment.

Further promotion of the 2016 and 2017 FCCE CPD recertification programme

FIDIC plans to complete the recertification programme for 2016 and 2017 sets of FCCE graduates by the end of March 2021. As a FIDIC subsidiary specialising in certification, FIDIC Credentialing Limited (FCL), has been mandated to develop a comprehensive framework for advancing the FCCE recertification programme. FIDIC Consulting Services (Beijing) Ltd. (FCS) will assist FCL to complete the recertification of the 2016 and 2017 sets of FCCEs.

Currently, FIDIC plans to hold FCCE CPD recertification programme in 2016 and 2017 in Xi’an, Chengdu, Wuhan, Guangzhou and Beijing from April to May this year. FCS will be issuing FCCE CPD recertification notice in the near future. For more information please contact the FCS office (010 -- 56950858; Email fcce@fidic.org).

Strengthening exchanges and cooperation with major stakeholders

In 2019 and 2020, FIDIC signed a number of important memorandums of understanding with key stakeholders such as AIIB, CHINCA, CAIEC and CECA respectively. In order to strengthen cooperation with key stakeholders, build communication channels and promote information exchange, FIDIC commissioned FCS to connect with CHINCA, CAIEC and CECA respectively in February this year, exchanging views on the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding, FIDIC initiatives and FCS functions, activities and objectives, and annual activities.

FCS future activities

In 2021, FCS will assist FIDIC and FCL in fully promoting the FCCE program. In the near future, a series of activities will be held to help more individuals and organizations to understand the role and development prospects of FIDIC, and to strengthen practical and in-depth exchanges and cooperation with various stakeholders in various fields.

FIDIC Webinars (offered free of charge)
1. Meetings organized by FIDIC Committees:

a) Theme: Combating corruption in the engineering and construction sector
Organizer: FIDIC Integrity Management Committee
Date: 23rd March 2021

2) Theme: Developing a commitment to quality in construction projects
Organizer: FIDIC Risk, Responsibility and Quality Committee
Date: 6th April 2021

3) Theme: All you need to know about the FIDIC Short Form of Contract (Green Book) 2nd Edition
Organizer: FIDIC Contracts Committee
Date: 20th April 2021

4) Theme: Best business practices in a post-Covid world
Organizer: FIDIC Best Practices Committee
Date: 1st June 2021

5) Theme: The role of the infrastructure industry in achieving a net zero world
Organizer: FIDIC Sustainable Development Committee
Date: 15th June 2021

2. FIDIC response series to COVID-19:

i) Theme: Working together in the new normal
   Date: 2nd March 2021

ii) Theme: To dispute, or not to dispute?
   Date: 30th March 2021

iii) Theme: Keeping cashflows flowing in challenging times
    Date: 13th April 2021

iv) Theme: Dealing with change in uncertain times
    Date: 11th May 2021
iv) Theme: FIDIC contracts – the gold standard for projects  
Date: 8th June 2021

3. State of the World Report Series:
1) Theme: Establishing the value of water  
Date: 1st April 2021

2) Theme: Tackling the global water crisis  
Date: 13rd May 2021

3) Theme: A sea of Change  
Date: 12nd August 2021

4) Theme: Going Digital - did Covid teach us anything?  
Date: 23rd September 2021

5) Theme: Net Zero . . . so, what next?  
Date: 28th October 2021

FIDIC Global news and events

For further information on the conference, events and training being organised by FIDIC, please consult the links provided below:

a. The CEO’s update: Issue 14

https://fidic.org/node/32394
b. FIDIC’s upcoming conferences:

- [https://fidic.org/events](https://fidic.org/events)

c. Information about upcoming training courses:

- [https://fidic.org/online-fidic-training-courses](https://fidic.org/online-fidic-training-courses)

Website and social media links

a. FCS website link: [https://china.fidic.org/zh-hant/](https://china.fidic.org/zh-hant/)

b. FCS Wechat link:
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