FCCE BULLETIN
Welcome to this twenty-sixth edition of the FCCE Bulletin.

April has been an especially busy and exciting for the FIDIC team as this been a month of great engagement with many of our international partners and stakeholders.

Earlier in the month, a FIDIC member associations townhall was hosted by the Directors & Secretaries Advisory Council (DNSAC). Aside from updating them on the MA survey which was conducted over the past few weeks, this online event was an opportunity to inform the MAs about several upcoming FIDIC events and to encourage participation in the FIDIC Excellence Awards.

At the end of April, we organised the Global Advisory Board meeting which included several international industry leaders who exchanges ideas and advice on how to deal with some of the pressing issues facing us all globally. In the same week, we were also fortunate to welcome more than 35 high-level leaders from across all spheres of the infrastructure, investment and technology sectors to our first ever in-person working Global Leadership Forum Summit. This event took place at the prestigious President Wilson hotel in Geneva. Aside from high-level corporate and industry CEOs, the FIDIC President, Anthony Barry, the President-Elect, Catherine Karakatsanis and a few FIDIC Board members also attended this important event. The keynote speaker was none other than Bertrand Piccard, the technology pioneer who through his Solar Impulse Foundation has succeeded in identifying more than a thousand ways we can protect the environment in a financially profitable way.
Next week, I will be speaking at the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe’s (UNECE) International Public-Private Partnership Forum in Athens, and I will contribute to the discussions on how infrastructure projects, PPP can contribute or impact the SDGs.

Later in May, I will be travelling to southern Zambia to attend the FIDIC Africa Infrastructure Conference which will hold its annual meeting in Livingstone. This regional gathering will provide an opportunity to meet and discuss matters affecting the industry. For those interested, it is still possible to register to attend this conference which will take place in person.

There will be other exciting updates in May, including information about our collaborations and conferences attended, as well as the new FIDIC webinar which will be held in a few weeks’ time. I encourage you to get in touch with the team so you can stay up to date on all the latest developments.

For those who have not already done so, I would also like to remind you to register for the GIC 2023 which will be taking place in Singapore in the autumn of this year. The programme is already available for consultation online and we already have some exciting speakers lined up for the conference.

May is also an important month for the third set of our FCCE graduates from the 2020 group. They have been informed about the recertification process and I am confident that they appreciate the high value of the FIDIC certification which is recognised globally and as they start the necessary steps to become recertified, the FCS team will be able to guide them towards completing the recertification procedures in a timely manner. This is a unique certification which carries the FIDIC seal of approval for qualified professional working in the consulting engineering industry. There is no other one like it and every single FCCE who was certified in China were part of an elite and unique group of certificate holders.

Finally, I take this opportunity to encourage you to keep in touch with the FCS team in Beijing. They will be more than happy to give you any updates on FIDIC events and activities going on in this new quarter of 2023. I am certain that they will be pleased to hear from you and share information on matters which relate to the infrastructure industry.
The recertification for the 2020 FCCE certificate holders is being staged
The FCCE certificate holders who were certified in 2020 and who wish to renew their certificates are required to complete the recertification procedure. Since the launch of the recertification activities for 2020 FCCE certificate holders, FCS has sent out announcement about this recertification process to each of the 2020 FCCE certificate holders and their employers. Interpretation webinars have been organised to introduce the recertification process, and frequently-asked questions were provided by the FCL General Manager, Thanos Totsikas.

We encourage all the FCCEs who wish to renew their certificates to not miss out on this opportunity to take part in the recertification activities and complete the recertification process by 31 May 2023 - as required in the announcement.

For more information on the recertification activities, please contact the FCS office (Tel: 010-85638087, or send an email to: fcce@fidic.org).

FIDIC holds its first Global Leadership Forum Summit 2023 in Switzerland
From 27-28 April, FIDIC will hold its first in-person Global Leadership Forum Summit in Geneva, Switzerland. The exclusive event will bring together 100 of the world’s most senior leaders in the infrastructure sector to discuss the key issues facing us all in a fast-changing industry and business environment.

As well as providing unique access to the latest research into the state of the global infrastructure market, the invitation-only event will enable attendees to shape and contribute to the major work being done to define what the future global infrastructure market will look like and help to create and foster relationships among peers to enable greater collaboration which will help solve some of the biggest challenges facing the global infrastructure sector.

Click here for more details about this conference.

Register for this year’s FIDIC Africa Conference
This year’s FIDIC Africa Infrastructure Conference will hold discussions under the key theme of Green Infrastructure for the Future. The event will take place from 21-24 May 2023. The 2023 event is the conference’s 29th year and around 500 delegates from across Africa are expected to attend to discuss the future of infrastructure provision. The FIDIC president, vice-president and CEO will be attending the conference and they are looking forward to meeting attendees from FIDIC’s African member associations and regional industry stakeholders.

Click here for more information on the conference and to book your place.
FIDIC Regional Contract Users’ Conference for EMEA region
This year’s Official FIDIC Contract Users’ Regional Conference is focusing on the Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) region and takes place online from 10-11 May 2023. The two-day online conference will share progress on the application and use of FIDIC contracts across the EMEA region and will include the participation of multilateral development bank representatives, other funders, private sector organisations and clients, government, engineers, contractors, investors, lawyers, consultants and many other stakeholders who have an interest in the use and application of FIDIC contracts.

The conference will also provide invaluable insights into the latest FIDIC contracts guidance as regards the effects of inflation and unavailability of goods and labour following the global Covid-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine. If you are working with FIDIC contracts in the EMEA region, make sure you book your place at this important event.

Click here for more information on the conference and to book places.

ICC-FIDIC conference in Paris to focus on construction contracts and dispute resolution
The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and FIDIC will be holding the popular annual ICC-FIDIC Conference on International Construction Contracts and Dispute Resolution in Paris from 12-13 October 2023.

The two-day event, which gathers the world’s leading construction practitioners, aims to provide participants with an update on the latest industry insights, trends and developments in the fast-moving world of contracts and disputes. The conference will also offer an excellent opportunity for networking for all industry professionals involved in using international construction contracts and in resolving disputes.

The full events programme and speakers for the will be announced soon. Early bird booking rates are available until the end of May and there are discounted fees for member firms of FIDIC member associations.

Click here for more details from the IG website on the conference, and click here to book places.
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. CEO’s update: Issue 35
   April edition

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

c. Information on upcoming training courses:
   https://fidic.academy

d. Information of the FIDIC certification programmes: (FCL)
   https://fcl.fidic.org/programmes
Website and social media links

a. FCS website link: https://china.fidic.org/zh-hant/

b. FCS WeChat link:

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