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Message from the President

Dear Colleagues and Members,

As we approach our fiscal year end, and begin to reflect on the past year and look towards the year ahead, we would like to share some highlights from 2018 and plans for next year.

CEO Search

The CEO selection committee is in the interview phase of the hiring process for a new CEO. We hope to complete the interview process by mid-January with a decision made on the new CEO by the end of January.

Triennial General Assembly – June 20, 2019

At the Triennial General Assembly in Hong Kong we will be casting our ballots for the CIB Board 2019-2022 term. An e-mail memorandum has gone out to CIB Individual Members and the Designated CIB contacts at the CIB Member organizations to nominate candidates. Nominations are to be received by the Secretary General on or before January 18, 2019.

Milestones and Looking Ahead

In October, the CIB Board met in Arlington, Virginia USA for the second Board meeting of 2018 (BO117). Brian Kleiner from Virginia Tech was our host and provided very interesting opportunities to engage with local representative from the Construction industry stakeholders, and Virginia Tech alumni.



CIB Board Members and Guest of the Board, Arlington, Virginia USA

Highlights of BO117

- Kalle Kähkönen presented via WebEx, with Miimu Airaksinen in attendance at the BO117, a proposal prepared by him and Bo-Christer Björk on a Mega Journal for the CIB. More information will follow in early 2019.
- Nicole Giguère, HR consultant who has been hired to manage the CEO selection process gave a presentation detailing the interview process and the timeline for hiring the CEO and the Program Manager.
- Transition of the administration of the CIB to Canada is well underway, and the new offices should be up and running by February 2019.
- Board members and guests of the Board attended a job site visit of a luxury apartment development by Clark Construction. Founded in 1992, Clark Construction is one of the USA's top ranked builders of luxury apartments, military family housing, and mixed-use communities.
- CIB Past-President Shyam Sunders hosted a day-long tour of the facilities at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). Tours included the Force laboratory and Deadweight Machine, National Fire Research Laboratory, and the Net-zero Research Test Facility.



CIB Board Members and Guest of the Board visit NIST

World Building Congress 2019 (WBC19) – Constructing Smart Cities
Hong Kong from June 17 to 21, 2019

The Congress is jointly hosted by the International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction (CIB) and the Hong Kong Polytechnic University's Department of Building and Real Estate (BRE).

Led by the theme '**Constructing Smart Cities**', the CIB WBC19 will provide a platform to explore the smart city development and its role in society.

Registration for the WBC19 has begun. Early bird registration is **February 15, 2019**.

- **First ever** Coordinators Assembly will take place on Monday, June 17, 2019
- **26** Commission Meetings are expected to take place
- **14** scientific workshops; and **10** will focus on the CIB Research Roadmap
- **23** Congress sessions will present papers reviewed through the CIB Commissions
- Presentation at the WBC of the new CIB Programme Structure

For more information on the WBC19 please visit:

Website: <http://www.wbc2019.hk>

Contact: cib.wbc2019@polyu.edu.hk

Announcements

- **CIB Sebestyén Future Leaders Award 2018.** The competition is now closed and the Student Chapter Committee will announce the winner in January.
- **CIB 2018 PC Commendation.** Deadline for nominations is now closed. The Program Committee (PC) is now reviewing the nominations and making their recommendation shortly with an announcement to be made in January.
- The General Secretariat office will be closed from **Friday, December 21, 2018** and re-opening on **Monday, January 7, 2019**.

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday and good health for 2019!

Working and building together to make the World a better place to live.