Aligning commitments and expectations to achieve UN SDG’s and the New Urban Agenda

Welcome to the networking event

The 55% of the world’s population that lives in urban environments, as well as the many people who live in totally unacceptable conditions in cities and elsewhere, expect strong commitments from the built environment sector to help implement the New Urban Agenda and meet the Sustainable Development Goals.

Commitments and their accompanying expectations need to be aligned with those of stakeholders, especially civil society and public authorities charged with providing essential services and an overarching framework for urban and regional development.

Essential are cooperation and coordination between all stakeholders, including civil society, public authorities, urban professionals, industry sectors, and financial institutions.

The sector seeks to establish joint commitments aimed at establishing a shared vision through the adoption of a common framework for proposing new initiatives, developing the necessary tools and implementing specific actions.

The commitments aim in the first instance to foster collaboration, enhance synergies and reduce the risk of conflict and misunderstanding when working to consolidate and enhance sustainable development.

All are welcome to take part in and contribute to this networking event.

9 February 2018, at 9:00 to 11:00
WUF9, Convention Center, Room 402, Kuala Lumpur

Programme

Phase 1: Plenary session - introduction and presentations
- FIDIC Statement of Commitments;
- The consulting engineering industry’s young professionals views and expectations.
- Other urban value-chain stakeholders and sector representatives commitments and expectations.

Phase 2: Breakout sessions
- Developing the joint actions and tools needed to implement sustainable urbanisation in different sectors and at various scales.
- Integrating in awareness raising programmes, coordinated urban sustainable development,
- Commiting to a duty to advise with regard to sustainability and corporate responsibility.

Phase 3: Plenary session
- Report of the breakout sessions’ proposals.
- Discussion of possible next steps for achieving a framework for a joint commitment and a preliminary joint action plan for its development.
The FIDIC Networking Event

The networking event organized by FIDIC and its partners at the 9th session of the World Urban Forum (Kuala Lumpur; 7-13 February 2018) will seek to establish the basis for a framework for joint commitments by the built environment sector.

The goal in fostering the conditions needed to meet the New Urban Agenda and achieve the SDGs (2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals) is to adopt a joint action plan driven by commitments to address mutually recognised sustainability purposes through joint action in specific areas.

All are most welcome to contribute and to get engaged!

Brief presentations will be followed by breakout sessions to discuss opportunities, with a closing session to formulate a joint action plan.

As examples, FIDIC will present the commitments in three areas that were announced at the 2017 Conference of the Parties in Bonn:

- the development of the actions and tools needed to implement sustainability requirements in different areas of activity at scales ranging from buildings and infrastructure through to industries, service systems and cities;
- the systematic integration of specific sustainability considerations in training and best practice, with a focus on climate change mitigation and adaptation;
- the duty to advise the sector’s clients regarding the implications of corporate responsibility and sustainability.

Partnering Organizations

- FIDIC Young Professionals Forum, FIDIC YPF
- FIDIC Certified Consulting Engineer Accreditation Programme, China
- Association of Consulting Engineers Malaysia, ACEM
- Asia-Pacific regional grouping of FIDIC Member Associations, ASPAC
- European International Contractors, EIC
- Federation of ASEAN Consulting Engineers, FACE
- Habitat Professionals Forum, HPF
- International Federation for Housing and Planning, IFHP
- International Organization for Standardization, ISO TC 268
- International Society of City and Regional Planners, ISOCARP
- International Water Association, IWA
- Metropolitan and Territorial Planning Agencies, MTPA
- Renaissance urbaine, France
- UN Environment, G ABC (Global Alliance for Building and Construction)
- World Federation of Engineering Organizations, WFEO
- Global Infrastructure Basel, GIB

Please register beforehand, if possible (email fidic@fidic.org) since the number of participants is limited.

Refreshments offered after the networking event.

Publications referenced in the FIDIC Statement of Commitments will be made available.

FIDIC – International Federation of Consulting Engineers
World Trade Center II - Geneva Airport
29 route de Prés-Bois
CH-1215 Geneva - Switzerland
www.fidic.org