



Institution of CIVIL ENGINEERING SURVEYORS

Education, Training and Membership Committee
2003 Annual Conference



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Practical Solutions to the Construction Industry Skills' Shortage

One Day Conference

Date Thursday 22 May 2003 **Time** 10.00am – 3.45pm
Registration 9.00am – 10.00am

Venue Council Chamber,
Worcestershire County
Council County Hall,
Worcester WR5 2NP

Delegate Fee Free of charge to ICES
members and non-members.
Refreshments and buffet
lunch will be served.

The Institution's Education, Training and Membership Committee is pleased to host a keynote conference which will focus on practical solutions for attracting young, talented people to the construction professions. The 2003 Annual Conference follows on from the success of last year's event, which addressed the reasons behind the skills' shortage and the consequences for the construction professions. This one day conference will offer the delegation an opportunity to voice opinions on the issues raised in a panel session during the afternoon's proceedings and to cast a vote on the recommended solutions provided by each speaker. Solutions to the construction industry skills' shortage will be presented by:

Robin Jones FInstCES MIHT

Robin is Chair of the Institution's Education, Training and Membership Committee, a member of Council and a past ICES President. He has served as a member of the Syllabus Review Committee for the Dept of the Built Environment at Liverpool John Moores University and is an external examiner for the Dept of Business Studies at the University of Central England. He holds a senior commercial position with one of the country's largest civil engineering contractors. Robin will represent the views of the ICES on solutions to the shortage of skills in civil engineering.

Dr Graham Watts

Dr Watts has recently retired from the position of head teacher of Elgar Technology College in Worcester. He has over 27 years experience as a teaching professional for secondary LEA maintained schools. Graham, who is now an educational consultant, will address solutions to the skills' shortage from grass-roots level, looking at the ways that the secondary education sector can help to raise the profile of careers in the construction professions to the under-sixteens.

David Cormican MSc (Eng) FCIQB FCMI AIWSc LCG

David is an inspection manager for the Adult Learning Inspectorate and President of the British Association of Construction Heads. David will concentrate on how the further education (FE) sector can contribute to solving the industry's skills' shortage by looking at the role, scope and responsibilities of the Learning & Skills Council and the strategies of the Sector Skills Council for Construction and discuss how FE fits into these initiatives. He will refer to the provision of construction courses in FE, the interface of FE with higher education and provide comparisons with international counterparts.

Prof. Roger Hawkins MSc PhD CEng FICE FIHT FInstCES

A former Dean of the School of Property and Construction at Nottingham Trent University, Professor Hawkins will address how the higher education (HE) sector can contribute to solving the industry's skills' shortage. He will review the changes taking place in HE as a result of changes in the demand for courses in construction and will indicate that a number of new initiatives have been designed by the HE sector to help industry with their skills demands. Roger will also refer to the possible consequences of the government's White Paper, *The Future of Higher Education*, on the provision of, and demand for, construction courses.

Caroline Cleland BA CEng FICE FIEI MIIRSM

Caroline, a civil engineer by profession, is a director of estates for the Northern Ireland Assembly. She is a Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) and an elected member of the ICE Executive Board. Caroline is Chair of the ICEFLOE Committee and a member of the ICEFLOE Forum, which were formed in 1999 to increase awareness of equal opportunities in the industry. Caroline will review initiatives designed to promote career opportunities for women in the construction professions.

Peter A Heathershaw FInstCES

Peter is a bid director for a national construction company. He is President of the ICES and a former Chair of the Institution's Education, Training and Membership Committee, of which he remains a committee member. Peter will review the role and importance of the employer in attracting and retaining young, talented people to the construction professions.

Booking Form (Pre-booking is essential)

I would like to reserve place(s) for the *Practical Solutions to the Construction Industry Skills' Shortage* Conference to be held at Worcestershire County Council County Hall on Thursday 22 May 2003.

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