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**Around Commissions**
**W111 - Usability of Workplaces: Introducing the New Coordinator - Mr. Geir K. Hansen**


The CIB Programme Committee has appointed Mr. Geir K. Hansen NTNU, Norway the New Coordinator of W111 on Usability of Workplaces. He expects that Usability related to healthcare and wellbeing will be an important issue.

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**From CIB Co-Sponsored Events**
**Conference Report: SB13 Southern Africa held in October 2013 in Cape Town, South Africa**


This SB conference was on-going in various regions, both in developed and developing countries. The delegates were able to exchange ideas and transfer knowledge that addresses regeneration, adaptation, resilience, climate change and sustainability within the context of the built environment.

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**Forthcoming Meetings**
**CIB World Building Congress 2016, 30 May - 3 June 2016 in Tampere, Finland - Picture 1 of 20**


Tampere is the largest inland city in the Nordic countries and the venue for the CIB World Building Congress in 2016. The city lies between two large lakes that are linked together by the Tammerkoski rapids that run through the city centre. It's a small enough city to have everything within walking distance!

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**CIB Co-sponsored: SB13 Dubai: Advancing the Green Agenda - Technology, Practices and Policies, 8-10 December 2013 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates**


The conference will deal with issues facing both the developed as well as the developing worlds in an attempt to bridge the gap between the two and identify best practice strategies that are best suited to distinct markets. This is intended to help speed-up the adoption and transition into a sustainable low-Carbon future.

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**CIB W110 Conference on Informal Settlements and Affordable Housing as part of the XXV UIA World Congress, 3-7 August 2014 in Durban, South Africa - Call for Papers**


The conference topics are: Informal Settlements and Urban Resilience, Ecological Aspect of Housing and Human Settlement, Value, practice and education of Housing and Informal settlements.

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<b>New Publications</b>	
<b>Proceedings of SB13 Vancouver on Pushing the Boundary - Net Positive Buildings</b>	
	Topics include: Combining Pedagogy, Research and Consulting to Promote Integrative Design, Applying Lessons from Net Positive Energy to Net Positive Material Flows, Shifting the ownership paradigm in the built environment, Net Positive - Beyond Zero
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<b>Proceedings of SB13 Prague on Sustainable Building and Refurbishment for Next Generations</b>	
	Topics include: Sustainable refurbishment of existing building stock, Industrial heritage regeneration, Low-tech and high-tech materials and technologies for sustainable buildings, Integrated building design, Decision-support tools and assessment methods, Urban planning and Infrastructure
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<b>Proceedings of SB13 Cape Town: Creating a Resilient and Regenerative Built Environment</b>	
	The conference was the sub-Saharan Africa version of the Sustainable Building Conference series. Topics addressed include: Adaptation to climate change; building urban resilience; regenerative design and development, and overcoming barriers to sustainable development.
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<b>Proceedings of SB13 Portugal: Contribution of Sustainable Building to meet EU 20-20-20 Targets</b>	
	The conference targets, known as the "EU 20-20-20" targets, set three key objectives for 2020: A 20% reduction in EU greenhouse gas emissions from 1990 levels; raising the share of EU energy consumption produced from renewable resources to 20%; a 20% improvement in the EU's energy efficiency.
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<b>13 Free Downloadable Proceedings with Papers per Commission as presented at the CIB World Congress, Brisbane, Australia</b>	
	These are the 13 Proceedings with Papers related to the theme IDDS and from the Commissions TG63, TG66, W055, W065, W070, W089, W092, W099, W107, W113, W116, W118
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<b>Proceedings of SB13 Singapore on Realising Sustainability in the Tropics</b>	
	The topics presented by industry leaders, top universities and leading research institutes reflect diverse aspects of sustainable urbanism, regenerative design, socio-cultural vectors, life cycle assessment and materials reuse. 130 abstract and 80 technical papers that were presented at the conference.
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<b>Proceedings of SB13 Graz on Construction Products and Technologies</b>	
	Topics include: Legal and economic frame conditions for ecological high quality refurbishment, Technologies and aspects of high quality refurbishment in nonresidential constructions, Opportunities and potentials for an energy efficient modernisation of syndicates of municipalities.
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## Encouraged Journals

### Journal: Built Environment Project and Asset Management - Free Access to Special Issue until 30th November 2013



Articles for free access include: PPP in transport: theory and practice, fiscal effects and public risk, real option theory for risk mitigation, comparison of revenue guarantee programs in build-operation-transfer projects, can the pilot be applied in future urban rail development, a PPP renegotiation framework.

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### Building Research & Information - Free Special Issues



To showcase the holistic, trans-disciplinary approach of the journal, free online access is now available to all 2011-2013 BRI Special Issues on topics like: urban retrofitting, adaptive comfort, spatial and temporal scales, regenerative design, motivating stakeholders, deconstruction, adaptive comfort.

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## Members Section New Members

### Welcome to New Members



Since the previous news article on New CIB Members in August 2013 we have installed 2 Associate Members and 2 Individual Members. The Associate Members both originate from the Netherlands.

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