The 2008 Region II Meeting was convened at John Cabot University, via della Lungara, Rome. The meeting was chaired by Mr. Andrej Kerin, ICEC Director for Region II.

1.0 Welcome and Introductions
Andrej Kerin welcomed the attendees and requested to have a moment of silence in remembrance of Robyne Nash who passed away on November 6th, 2008. The meeting commenced at 09.15 am.

2.0 Attendance and Apologies
Present
Alexia Nalewaik, ICEC Administrative Vice Chair, AACEI
Andrej Kerin, ICEC Director Region II & Delegate - ZPM, Slovenia
Rob van Hoeve ICEC Assistant Secretary Region II & Delegate - DACE, The Netherlands
Bruce Watson Delegate - ACostE, United Kingdom
Roger M Batten - ACostE, United Kingdom
Alec Ray ICEC Assistant Director Region II & ACostE, United Kingdom
Gianluca di Castri, President AICE, Italy
Claudio Solustri, AICE, Italy
Guido Silvestroni, AICE, Italy
Emanuele Bianchi, Delegate AICE, Italy
Luigi Pojaga, Honorary Chairman, AICE, Italy
Martine Miny Delegate AFITEP, France
Andrew Morley Delegate ICES, United Kingdom

Apologies
Peter Smith ICEC Secretary-Treasurer, AIQS
Carsten Wedstrøm FDP, Denmark
NFP, Norway
PRY, Finland
VSF, Iceland
SPMS, Sweden

Not Represented and no apologies received
AEIPRO, Spain [non active member]
CAPQS, Cyprus
GTE/MKK, Hungary
PMA, Austria
PMG, Greece
RACE, Romania
SMAP, France
SPPR, Slovakia
SPR, Czech Republic
3.0 Minutes of Previous Region Meeting
The minutes of the 2007 Region II meeting on 24th October 2007 in Rotterdam, The Netherlands were approved with a correction on page 2 paragraph 3.0 2005 should read 2006.

4.0 Matters Arising From Minutes
- What is the potential and what is actually meant for firms [members] and what is involved in utilizing the NGO Roster status. Region II requested for greater clarity on this matter in 2007 to date no paper/report on the subject has been received.
- Strategic plan is on today’s agenda.
- Location Factors: John Hollmann has created a questionnaire, which can be found on the AACEI website [www.aacei.org] and the to forums (at the top in the middle)-topic-specialty-icec location factor project - data collection form. All members are encouraged to fill out this questionnaire once a year and send it to John the more information is gather the better the results will be.
- Young Professionals see attached Region II Member Reports for actions taken by members.

5.0 Reports
   a. Officer Reports

   ICEC
   Ken Humphreys is temporarily helping out ICEC with the website. The ICEC executive team will set up quarterly meetings via skype. Strategic plan is the top priority.

   Region II Director – Andrej Kerin
   Andrej Kerin provided a general verbal report on activities and issues since the last Region II meeting in 2007. The contact addresses of Region II members are a problem. A large number have not updated their sites, we have to solve this problem!

   b. Presentation of Distinguished International Fellow Award
   Roger Batten handed over the Distinguished International Fellow Award, which was awarded in Toronto, to Professor Luigi Pojaga of AICE.

   c. Overview of the activities of ICEC since the Toronto World Congress in June 2008
   A question was raised if we are still happy with the currency change as decided in Toronto due to the volatile market conditions of today. The decision in Toronto was made in order to overcome financial instability problems with our Secretariat in Australia to charge our fees in Australian $, no further action required.
6.0 Region II Member Reports

ACostE, United Kingdom
A written report on ACostE activities was submitted via email prior to the meeting the "Annual Report Summary" of the report is by reference made a part of these minutes.

AICE, Italy
A written report on AICE activities was submitted via email prior to the meeting by Gianluca di Castri. The report is by reference made a part of these minutes.

AFITEP
Martine Miny gave a verbal report. Financial and juridical problems are expected to be normalised in 2010. Currently AFITEP has 380 members of which 60 are students and 25 are company members.
AFITEP held their annual [4 day] congress last October. Next year’s annual congress: “Project and sustainable management” will be held in Paris on 12 -15th of October 2009.
Programme: one day research, two days of presentations and lessons learned and one day of education and training
Martine Miny / AFITEP is head of the committee for ISO 236 [Project Management], publication is expected in 2011.

DACE, The Netherlands
A written report on DACE activities was submitted via email prior to the meeting by Rob van Hoeve. The report is by reference made a part of these minutes.

ICES
Andrew Morley gave a verbal report. ICES is a slowly growing association, which has currently approximately 3000 members of which ⅔ are commercial managers and the balance surveyors. Furthermore 700 – 800 students have a free membership.

ZPM, Slovenia
A written report on AICE activities was submitted via email prior to the meeting by Andrej Kerin. The report is by reference made a part of these minutes.

7.0 Reports From Other Regions

Region 1 (The Americas)
No official Meeting held after Council Meeting in June 2008 in Toronto Canada.
Alexia Nalewaik draws attention to those present of a recent change in AACE International executive directorate, where Andrew Dowd has accepted the position as their new executive director.

Region 3 (Africa)
No official Meeting held after Council Meeting in June 2008 in Toronto Canada.

Region 4 (Asia-Pacific)
No official Meeting held after Council Meeting in June 2008 in Toronto Canada.
8.0 ICEC World Congress 2014
Proposals were received from ACostE [London], ZPM [Portoroz or Ljubljana] and AICE [Milan]. After the presentations of the proposals it was decided to nominate AICE to organise the World Congress 2014 in Milan. All present members congratulated AICE with their nomination and offered any advise if required.

Provisional programme:
- Saturday & Sunday: Council Meeting
- Monday through Wednesday: Congress
- Thursday: Workshops

AICE proposed to hold the congress in April or May, 2014. The meeting strongly advised AICE to reconsider the timing and preferably consider September or October, keeping in mind that other regions also have their meeting in this period. AICE will further develop their proposal and present this on our next regional meeting in 2010.

9.0 New and Potential Members
Clarification is needed by ICEC executive board on rules for branch members: are they participant member with no voting rights or a full member?

Institute of Appraisers and Cost Engineers [IACE] of Nigeria has submitted a membership application.

Potential new Regional II members are:
- Quantity Surveyors International [QSi] United Kingdom. A meeting took place between ACostE and QSi [offshoot of RICS], awaiting formal comments of UK-member organisations.
- PMI the Netherlands;
- Portuguese association of IPMA.
- Croatia
- Ukraine
- Latvia

10.0 Cooperation With Other Bodies:
AAQS: Andrew Morley attended the AAQS Congress in Ghana in August and reported a very successful congress.

FIG: Roger Batten reported that MOU is finally yielding, ICEC African members are starting to participate in commission 10.

IPMA: Andrej Kerin reported that after the successful Congress in Ljubljana 2006 things are going forward. Coming Thursday November 13th, 2008 all ICEC Region II members are invited to participate in the IPMA meeting here in Rome.

PAQS: No news

RICS: See Minute of meeting ICEC World Congress Toronto. No outstanding issues between RICS and ACostE.
11.0 ICEC International Cost Model / Location Factor Project
The goal is to have a questionnaire ready at the ICEC the upcoming AACEI’s 52nd Annual Meeting and ICEC’s 6th World Congress in Toronto in 2008 is met and is accessible via the AACEI web site [www.aacei.org] and the forums [at the top in the middle]-topic-specialty-icec location factor project - data collection form]. Every member is encouraged to fill out this questionnaire and submit it to John Hollmann.

12.0 ICEC Strategic Plan – Looking Forward
Gianluca di Castri raised the following possible goals:
• A common website for Region II;
• A Secretariat [pro bono] for Region II;
• Body of Knowledge.
Rob van Hoeve raised the goal of updating and keeping up to date Regional Member contacts and addresses.

The meeting found a common website and a regional secretariat not a good idea and will not pursue these further.
A body of knowledge will require a lot of work and since ICEC has already a Standards and Best Practices section on their website we will not pursue this.

With respect to updating and keeping up to date Regional Member contacts and addresses every member has been assigned to a Regional officers [see attached list: Region 2 rev 1].

13.0 Project Controls Vocational Qualifications (ACostE)
Alec Ray gave a presentation on ACostE’s Project Controls Vocational Qualifications program, which will be run by an associated Company called TASC [The Assessment Service Centre].
The presentation touched the following subjects:
• The National Occupational Standards [www.acoste.org.uk] : how they were created and what they contain;
• Using the standards and the qualifications;
• The qualification process: how it works and the candidate’s activities

The key purpose of those engaged in project control occupations is to develop and provide professional estimating, cost control, planning and commercial support to the successful implementation of projects.
For those interested in more detail information about this subject please contact ACostE directly [www.acoste.org.uk] or Alec Ray.

14.0 Advantages and Responsibilities of ICEC Membership
Members are reminded of the advantages/responsibilities of ICEC membership and emphasized the sharing of publications, congress/event sponsorship, updating contact directories and utilizing the individual ICEC web pages for each member association.
15.0 **International Standards**
Member’s attention is drawn to the current listing on the ICEC web-page and encouraged associations to update and request to submit any such standard for inclusion on the ICEC listing.

16.0 **Best Practices and Technical Standards**
Associations are encouraged to update and request to submit any such standard for inclusion on the ICEC listing.

17.0 **Calendar of Events**
Please notify ICEC when any events are scheduled.

18.0 **Continuing Professional Education and Certification**
Members are encouraged to seek ICEC accreditation of their CPD and Certification programs if this had not already been done. ICEC accreditation provides CPD and Certification programs with international recognition and enhances their value to individual association and institute members. Details and application forms appear on the ICEC web page.

19.0 **International Congresses**
   i) 2009 – Paris, France Annual Region II meeting (October 10th, 2009 to be confirmed by AFITEP)
   ii) 2010 - Singapore (date to be determined)
   iii) 2012 - Durban, South Africa (date to be determined)
   iv) 2014 – Milan, Italy (date to be determined)

20.0 **Publications – Roundup News and the ICEC Cost Management Journal**
Members are reminded the possibility for submittal of information for the Roundup News and the ICEC Cost Management Journal.

21.0 **UN NGO Roster Status**
For a large number of ICEC members it is not clear what the potential is and what is actually meant for firms [members] and what is involved in utilizing the NGO Roster status. Region II requests for greater clarity on this matter and request Mr. Murtala Oladapo to write a paper / report to provide this clarity.
22.0 Other Business
Roger Batten was elected in Toronto to the Chair Advisory Committee and they are looking into three areas:
- How do we achieve our strategy goals;
- How do we fund our strategy goals and at what level;
- How do we move from a reactive to a proactive organisation?
Members are invited to comment and to advice.

23.0 Next Regional II meeting
*October 10th, 2009 in Paris, France, location and date to be confirmed by AFITEP.*

24.0 Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 16:00 hours.
Respectfully submitted,
Rob van Hoeve
Assistant Secretary Region II

Attachments:
- ACostE: Annual Report Summary
- AICE: Report to the ICEC about the activities of the Association in 2008
- DACE: REPORT OF DACE TO THE INTERNATIONAL COST ENGINEERING COUNCIL REGION 2 MEETING at Rome November 8th, 2008
- ZPM: REPORT OF Slovenian Project Management Association ZPM TO THE INTERNATIONAL COST ENGINEERING COUNCIL REGION 2 MEETING Rome, November 8, 2008
- Region 2 rev 1
Annual Report Summary

INTRODUCTION by Terry Bishop – Immediate Past President

A significant driver for activities over the last year stemmed from the results of the survey of members and industry at the end of last summer. The main conclusions from the survey were that the role of ACostE both in terms of members' non-members' perception and desires, is for:
- professional development and recognition, knowledge/information source,
- education/accreditation/qualifications, the presentation of the profession and standards.

There was also general agreement that all members are bound by a common interest/purpose – that of predicting and managing costs. The words ‘cost’ and ‘engineering’ remain appropriate. There was an overwhelming view that the ACostE’s communication could be significantly improved. The most common criticisms were the website, the lack of email communication and the poor quality of printed information. Those surveyed thought that we should give more to developing a wider awareness of the Association and the benefits it can bring to members.

Key areas in which the survey identified a strong desire for change were:
- the website, introduction of email and electronic communication with members
- raising awareness and credibility of ACostE among all appropriate groups.

The last year has seen a significant effort to address those views, and provide a totally new website and management system. These facilities were recently launched, and they now provide, not only a very high-quality shop window for the Association, but also significant improvements for the members. Finances remain in good shape, although we did have to draw from reserves to pay for these upgrading programs.

A lot of the improvement in the management system will not be obvious to member on a day-to-day basis, but they do enable a far more efficient and effective head office operation. The new website provides facilities for interactive special interest groups and forums to develop and function. It also provides for members to update their details online. It's now important that chairman of committees and SIGs ensure that their areas of the website are kept current and up to date.

Following on from last year we are again planning to have an ACostE stand at the 'Project Challenge' Exhibition next year. TASC presented a paper at the Autumn 2008 show.

TASC has continued to grow this last year with 250 candidates from both existing and new clients; 49 have achieved their qualification to date. There are now 22 assessors located throughout the UK and our first international is expected to get under way in September.

The journal of ACostE has continued to provide us with a number of stimulating and enlightening articles, and I would like to thank all of those that provided them and comments to the journal. I continue to encourage members to submit articles for publication, and comments or suggestion for improvement.

I would like to thank all the headquarters staff at Sandbach, Directors, Council and Committee members for their hard work and sacrifices over this last year.

Lastly, I would like to thank you all for the privilege of being your President over the last two years and for all the advice and help I have been given in that time. I hope in a small way I have been able to help move the organisation forward. I am sure your next President will continue to take account of your needs and comments, and I ask you to continue with your help and support to him to make sure that ACostE continues to grow for the benefit of the profession and its members.

MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITY
Admissions
The number of applications, new members, upgrades and reinstatements are detailed below:

- Applications: 103
- New members: 102
- Upgrades: 14
- Reinstatements: 2

North East Region
Whilst there were no local branch meetings during the year, the North East Region hosted a major local seminar of national importance.

The North East launch of the Project Control Level 2 NVQ and associated project support standards took place at Darlington Football Club in October (sponsored by AMEC) and was enthusiastically attended by around 80 people.

Co-organisers of the event were Nigel Hibberd of ProVoc and Shane Forth, North East Chairman, Immediate Past Vice-President and AMEC Manager of Project Controls.

Shane also presented at the seminar, focusing on 'Addressing the Skills Shortage and Establishing a Project Controls Career Path'.

Further support was provided by Robin Davidson, Managing Director of Wolviston Management, and North East Committee Member, who chaired the meeting and facilitated interest from influential business leaders in the North East, including Dr Stan Higgins, CEO of NEPIC (North Process Industry Cluster) who presented 'The Great Skills Debate'.

ECITB made a strong contribution with presentations by Nigel Spencer, Richard Dodds and Andy Brown of ECITB, associated with development and delivery of the Level 2 Project Control Support Standards and the introduction of the Project Controls Apprenticeship Scheme, which started in September 2007 in the UK.

The NVQ Assessment Centres also contributed with Howard Mallesson (TASC) and Kit Lofthouse (KT Associates) presenting.

During the seminar, Shane Forth presented ACostE student membership certificates to the 14 North East apprentices employed by AMEC, Aker Kvaerner, K. Home Engineering, Siemens Vai and Alpha Plus, all of whom had representatives in attendance.
Russia

Last year the Association was approached by TNK-BP in Moscow to consider whether they could assist with the formation of a 'Guild of Cost Engineers' in their organisation. Following the presentation made to TNK-BP on the activities of the Association at a Foundation Conference of Cost Engineers in June 2007, the TNK-BP group of Cost Engineers expressed their wish to operate as an 'affiliate' of ACostE in their region of Russia. Council accepted this request following ratification by the International Cost Engineering Council (ICEC).

Southern Region

The Southern Region has been provided with the following programme of events:

- **Oct 2007** – 'The Redevelopment of King's Cross St Pancras', talk by Lawrence Bruce from Watson Burton at the ROSL.

- **March 2008** – 'Inflation in the Construction Industry', talk by James Fiske from Franklin & Andrews.

- **July 2008** – 'The Ancient City at Night', an evening guided tour of the Financial Centre of London.

Technical meetings have all been held at the Royal Over-Seas League, which continues to provide excellent but expensive facilities in the centre of London. The other two meetings were well attended and provided many questions to the speaker. The speaker for March has had his talk published in the journal.

International

The Association has been a leading member of the International Cost Engineering Council (ICEC) since it was founded, in 1976, to promote cooperation between national and multinational cost engineering, project management and quantity surveying associations. There are now 48 member associations, represented in four regions worldwide, and further associations are in the process of applying to join. ACostE members, by virtue of the Association's membership of ICEC, are all part of a unique network of the knowledge and experience of some 180,000 cost professionals in over 120 different countries. The most recent associations to join are the Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors and the Nigerian Institute of Appraisers and Cost Engineers.

Mike Sutton, the President of the Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors (ICES), met with the ACostE Council to discuss common objectives prior to ICES submitting their application to join ICEC. The ICEC website (www.ICostE.org) is continually evolving and has links with many other groups' websites. The International Round-Up is published on the website, in the autumn and in the spring, and there is a section where all notices, agendas and minutes of meetings are available. Communications between ICEC officers, delegates and member associations are almost exclusively by email.

The ACostE Certification Programme is accredited by ICEC. Certified members may use the ICEC name and logo and the initials ICECA (ICEC accredited) after their name.

Past-Presidents, Roger Batten (as Past-Chairman of ICEC), Alec Ray (as ICEC Region II Assistant Director) and Bruce Watson (as ACostE Delegate), have all been active in representing the Association within ICEC.

Roger Batten, Alec Ray and Bruce Watson attended the 20th International Cost Engineering Congress and 6th ICEC World Congress on Cost Engineering, Project Management and Quantity Surveying which was hosted by AACE Canada in Toronto, and held in conjunction with AACE International's 52nd Annual Meeting, in June/July 2008, attended by some 800 delegates. They also attended the full ICEC Council meeting held in June, which was attended by 22 of the 48 ICEC member associations.

Alec Ray and Bruce Watson made a presentation to the Council on the ACostE Project Control NVQ Programme, which was well received.

All member associations have been invited to participate in the ICEC International Project Cost Model Programme. This programme is being coordinated by John Hollman of AACE International and a past ICEC Region 1 Director.

Alec Ray was elected ICEC Assistant Director for Region 2 (Europe and the Near East). Roger Batten was elected ICEC Advisory Committee Chairman.

Alec Ray was elected Distinguished International Fellow (DIF), in recognition of his significant contributions to ICEC for a period of years and to the development of the cost engineering profession.

Awards

**Pates Prize** – The Pates Prize is awarded annually to the person considered to have contributed to the profile and enhancement of the Association. We are delighted to make this award for 2008 to Paul Vesper for his service and dedication to the Association. Paul is a past Vice-President of the Association and also chairman of the Terminology Committee and Seminar Committee. Together with his wife, Pauline, he has organised the annual walking tour social evening for the Southern Region. Paul has consistently worked to promote the Association over the past 30 years.

Financial

The Annual Budget for the year 2007/08 projected a break-even situation. The audited accounts show a surplus of £20,598 which is due mainly to the contribution of £47,869 from The Assessment Service Centre (TASC).

The Treasurer is indebted to Anne Fairless for her help in producing the monthly financial figures.

Legal

The Legal Committee has not met in last 12 months. However, there are a number of items that should be clarified in the Standing Orders/Articles of Association/By-laws, which may be discussed informally prior to a formal meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

**Project Control Professional**

The journal has continued with its 6 bi-monthly issues this year and we have tried to address a wide range of topics but this, as always, is down to contributions made.

Technical papers, case studies, opinion/comment pieces, news, appointments and letters are the core of the journal. If anyone wishes to contribute to any of these for publication in Project Control Professional please email the Editor, Clive Wellings, at clive@projectmanagementtoday.co.uk or telephone 0118 932 6665.

If members attend a technical event on behalf of the ACostE please bring back with you a CD of the proceedings so that any relevant papers can be included in the journal. Also if you attend an event that you feel is relevant to our discipline please contact the Editor who will follow it up.

Our thanks go to those who regularly contribute to the journal.

Marketing

**Marketing evaluation**

The main focus of activity during the year has centred on supporting the independent marketing and promotion evaluation commissioned by Council last year.

A prioritised set of proposals, with an associated implementation strategy for developing and marketing the services which we offer to our members and industry in general, has been produced.
This is based upon input sought from members, non-members and other relevant organisations, which enabled the following. The implementation strategy has been approved by Council and the first phase, the creation of the new website and database, has now been completed. Plans are now being developed for the marketing activities which will follow on from the introduction of the new website and database.

Project Challenge Exhibition
Olympia/NEC
The Association took a stand at the exhibition, which was held in September 2007 at Olympia, March 2008 at the NEC, and September 2008 at Olympia, with the objective of promoting and raising the profile of the Association. Attendance generally was good and a useful number of contacts were made for follow-up.

TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES
Engineering
The Engineering Committee oversees the activities of the Association relating to the Engineering Council and the registration of members as Chartered and Incorporated Engineers. Following the Five-Year Licensing Review of the Association's organisation, structure, finances, procedures, etc., by the Engineering Council, with the EC UK audit team visiting the Sandbach Office in September 2006, the Association has been approved as a Professional Affiliate for the next five years, until 28 October 2011.

In 2001 the Association's status was changed from a Nominated Body (Licensed Member) to a Professional Affiliate and, although we retained our existing registrants, we were unable to register any new candidates as Chartered or Incorporated Engineers. However, in February 2004, the Association entered into an agreement with the Society of Environmental Engineers (SEE) to enable suitably qualified members of the ACostE to achieve registration with the Engineering Council through Joint Membership of the SEE. Two candidates have achieved registration as Incorporated Engineers through this new process and we currently have six further candidates for registration (four as Chartered Engineer and two as Incorporated Engineer).

Roger Batten, Geoff Stokes (Committee Secretary) and Brian Sefton-Smith (Engineering Council Liaison Officer) attended the Professional Affiliates Seminar at the Engineering Council in June 2008. The formal Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programme, primarily directed at registrants but open to all members, is continually being developed and, eventually, is likely to become the norm for all Members.

In addition to fully supporting the development and updating of the Level 4 National Vocational Qualification in Project Control the Committee still believes that this should be accepted as satisfying the requirements for Incorporated Engineer. The Engineering Council’s UK-SPEC (UK Standard for Professional Engineering Competence) requires registered engineers to be able to demonstrate the competence to perform professional work to the necessary standards. Competence includes the knowledge, understanding and skills which underpin performance.

To date 55 members have been registered as Chartered Engineers and 22 as Incorporated Engineers through the Association. Since the introduction of the new procedures in February 2005, the Association has received 36 enquiries regarding registration. Discourses are continuing with these applicants to determine their best way of proceeding. 112 members are registered as Chartered Engineers (CEng), 55 as Incorporated Engineers (IEng), and 6 as Engineering Technicians (EngTech) through our Association and the other engineering institutions.

Planning
The Planning Group has been continuing its aim to increase its profile to a level more compatible with the needs of members.

During the recent extensive upgrade of the Association website, this led to the development of a Planning Special Interest Group page which introduces the SIG and describes the activities in which the SIG is involved.

The objectives include promotion of the concept of planning/cost control engagement, and the need for planning and cost engineers to work together to ensure that the planning process covers all the costs to be incurred.

The service also includes providing advice on the structuring of approaches to planning within a business and the extent to which it is required, related to the nature of the business itself.

The National Occupational Standards for Project Control have been the basis for a series of initiatives to encourage companies to take these aboard, and the SIG hopes to provide a vehicle for information and exchange of views in the planning arena.

Finally, the SIG continues to focus on encouraging planning engineers to regard the Association of Cost Engineers as a natural professional home for them, and a source of useful planning information.

The use of the revised website is in the early stages but the Planning SIG hopes that it will be an important vehicle for developing this relationship of planning engineers with the Association.

Engineering Manufacturing
The Engineering Manufacturing Committee continues to be proactive, with recent new members bringing new ideas and experiences to the discussions and meetings. We have held the bi-monthly meetings at several committee member facilities, including Rolls-Royce, Derby; Stado, Coventry; and BAE Systems, Glasgow, where we had the unique experience of visiting their manufacturing facility.

In January 2008, the EMC celebrated 10 years since its formation by a group of individuals interested in promoting and developing the cost engineering profession within the engineering and manufacturing sectors of British industry. To mark the occasion, Dave Reuss produced an article that was published in the ACostE journal. This highlighted the key successes and the individual contributions made, in particular the seminar events which have been, and continue to be, an opportunity for the profession to share and learn various techniques and processes.

The 2008 EMC Seminar took place in April at the Holiday Inn, Coventry South, with the theme of 'Lean to the Future'. As with previous events, the format was a combination of presentations and workshops with the opportunity for delegates to select from the options available. There were approximately 65 attendees with trade stand support from Cranfield University and Galorath. Each of the presenters received a gift to mark the occasion and delegates received a memory stick containing the event presentations. Delegate feedback from each of the sessions was very positive in terms of the presentation content and delivery, with an average score of 4.2 out of 5.

The EMC has produced a draft proposal for a 'Tiered Approach to Accreditation'. This was presented at Council where it was approved to move forward and finalise the details and develop an implementation plan. This has been followed by a meeting between ACostE representatives and BAE
Systems to develop a strategy and working relationship.

**Cost Estimating & Special Interest**

Activities during the year have been confined to responding individually to requests for sources of information or guidance from both members and non-members.

The new website now provides facilities for interactive special interest groups and forums to develop and function, and a Special Interest Group covering Cost Estimating & Analysis has been created on the new website.

This now provides the opportunity to ‘refresh’ the Estimating Committee and potential to expand activities to deal with topics which are of interest to a wider range of our members.

**EDUCATION & TRAINING**

**ProVoc**

During the previous year, ProVoc had supported ECITB in delivering the Level 2 qualification and standards. At the end of the year, QCA were about to approve/accredit the Level 2 qualification and standards, and TASC had made good progress in engaging candidates onto the programme.

The members of ProVoc are all stakeholders in the qualification, and the related national occupational standards. The members of ProVoc are: the standards setting body, the awarding body, assessment centres, employers of candidates, bodies representing employers of candidates (BECCECA), Association of Cost Engineers (our professional parent) and, on an as-required basis, QCA (the Qualification and Curriculum Authority) and OSCEng (The Occupational Standards Council for Engineering).

The new ProVoc website is in the final stage of development including full integration with the new ACostE site.

Looking forward across 08/09 the focus will be to:

- hold more seminars to raise awareness around the country of the qualification and standards
- support the development and introduction of the new Estimating standards and qualification
- support the development and introduction of the QCF, aligned to ACostE qualification strategy
- support the funding issue for contract staff
- continue to strengthen ProVoc membership/sector spread.

ProVoc’s primary role remains one of:

- maintaining a database of future development requirements of the qualification and standards to meet the industries’ trends in best practice, and supporting their development
- reviewing the effectiveness of assessment delivery and unblocking of issues that may arise
- promoting the qualification profile and uptake within our own, and the wider industrial, sectors.

**TASC**

During the year 2007/8 we in TASC have been experiencing yet another period of exceptional growth and we can now report about 350 candidates completed, on programme, or committed to start in the next few weeks. The rate of new starts has risen to about 120 candidates per year and in some areas and businesses the Project Control NVQs have become the standard achievement requirement for new employees. Of particular note to us is the fact that, of all new starts, some 50% are repeat business with existing contracts, clearly demonstrating the business confidence in us. On many contracts we are now seeing roughly equal numbers of completions to new starts of candidates and we have 50+ candidates certificates applied for from ECITB (at July 2008).

To keep pace with this growth in candidate numbers we now have 22 assessors and verifiers based around the UK, which is now divided into north, south, east and west regions. A newly assigned team has also been formed to deliver overseas contracts from September 2008.

Each regional team has its own senior verifier and assigned team of assessors, with some cross-matching across the contracts we have in central UK. We would still like some additional assessors in some areas; therefore any senior practitioner with pending retirement wishing to apply for a position on the team, should send their CV to Helen Jackson at Sandbach for our attention.

TASC provides training coupled with a local college, for assessors and verifiers leading to the national awards in these subjects, which has the benefit of ensuring that all our staff are efficiently trained to the same high standards and in timely fashion.

Immediate management of the assessor team and office is carried out by the TASC Executive who meet at Sandbach about six times per year. They report in turn to the TASC Board which is composed of five ACostE Directors and Council, who are familiar with the workings of the NVQ processes. New and independent computer and IT systems have been installed this year, to provide more capacity for growth and to enable a more reliable service for our customers.

The benchmarking programme has also been taken up by several major companies during the year. This has proved to be a cheap and simple method for managers to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of their teams and to identify the gaps in the skill sets of individuals, thus enabling personal development to a higher professional level. Costs of this service are deducted from the fees for any benchmark candidates subsequently taking an NVQ programme.

It became apparent to us that some companies, due to their internal business practice, do not easily provide some of the underpinning knowledge to candidates required for the standards. To assist these companies, where sufficient support to the NVQ programme has been shown, we have developed the first of a series of one-day training programmes which TASC will provide on an as-required basis to these organisations. The first of these courses on risk management has been well received by several companies and another on estimating subjects is being trialled.

TASC has been active in supporting the implementation of the new Level 2 Project Control NVQ standards and qualifications and we have a major programme under way linked to modern apprenticeships, provided by a major manufacturing organisation. Several other Level 2 trial programmes are also under way in some of our established client companies.

This year we have exhibited at the major project management events held at the Olympia in September 2007, the National Exhibition Centre in April 2008, and Olympia in September 2008. Much interest in our services was noted and also the profile of the ACostE and TASC widened to industry in general.

All the above has again required a major revision of practices and work flow within the Sandbach office. Helen Jackson has responded diligently with support and assistance from Anne Fairless and Vanessa Tattersall; our office practices have been groomed with the thought that as growth continues with more candidates and clients to attend to, there will be yet more to do in the forthcoming year. TASC management is grateful for this continued support from the team at Sandbach, the assessors in the field and the ACostE Board. Without this we would certainly not have come so far and so quickly.
Milano, 06/11/2008
Prot. 08/1870

Report to the ICEC about the activities of the Association in 2008

1. **General data**: membership about 200, including 10 corporate members, certified members 120

2. **Formative course**: the course in total cost management is being transferred from the University to the Management School of the Bocconi University. This is why the University have decided that all post-graduate courses should be included in the Management School activities.
   a. Some modifications shall be made in the programme, the course shall be updated in methodology, it shall include a first section for basic knowledge on total cost management and a second section to apply the above knowledge to a specific project.
   b. Marketing shall be improved, by including the course in the overall programmes of the Management School.
   c. A further "international" module is under design. It shall be probably relevant to European public works, further information to follow.

3. **Congress 2014**: the AICE have decided to submit its preliminary application to host said congress in Milano. The organization shall be made in cooperation with the Bocconi University (school of management).

4. **Certification**: an average of two session per year are being held, the next one shall be in February, 2009.

5. The AICE is going through the process of registration at Ministry of Justice in order to be chartered as “professional association” according to the new Italian law.

6. The **general assembly** has been summoned for November, 28.th in order to elect a new board.

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5. Number of Members by Category (as of December 31st, 2007):

Number of individual members: 37
Number of organization members: 125

6. Seminars/Conferences/Congresses held since the last ICEC Counsel Meeting [Toronto]:

Lectures:

1. September, 2008 Seminar Kosten en waarde van de Zuidas. [Costs and value of the Zuidas project]. This seminar was organised together with NVBK.

7. Scheduled Future Seminars/Conferences/Congresses:

Lectures:

1. November, 2008 Seminar Delen van kennis en toepassen [Sharing knowledge and its application].

2. Three lectures are foreseen in 2009, dates are not yet known.

8. Potential Future Events under Consideration: (Please list):

Project teams of the SIGs are preparing presentations in the following fields: Definitions of Unit rates, Benchmarking and Definition of Cost, Time and Resources [CTR], which may lead to seminars, workshops and/or publications.

9. Any New Initiatives/Innovations?

- We started to invite the alumni of the Comprehensive Course Cost Engineering to our meetings, with the intention to persuade these Cost Engineers to join DACE.
- DACE fully supports the Kenneth K Humphreys Award and has decided to stimulate young Cost Engineers to submit papers either on PM, CE, or QS. The DACE Board will decide which paper eventually will be forwarded to ICEC. We offer three national awards to the best three papers and additionally a monetary contribution to Dutch winner (if so) of one of the ICEC awards to allow her / him to collect the award at the next ICEC World Congress.
Converting our Cost Engineering Handbook into a web based body of knowledge [CEPEDIA].

Further initiatives are being developed to attract young Cost Engineers.

DACE Prijzenboekje 27th, to be published in November 2009

10. Training/Certification Issues?

DACE has continued to participate and or organize the following education/courses:

1. Comprehensive Course Cost Engineering 2008-2010 started in September 2008 (2 years, part-time)
2. Course Introduction Cost Engineering in November 2008 (7 days).
3. Introduction to Value Management November 2008 (1 day).

11. Any Important New Publications? (Please list.)

As a result of our discussions with NVBK, we jointly published articles in their quarterly journal.

12. Any issues where cooperation with other member organizations are on-going or desirable (please indicate in each case if it is on-going or desirable).

We are continuously further developing our relation with AACEI.

13. Please list any issues (Regional or International), which you wish to have considered by the ICEC Council.

During the last World ICEC meeting in Ljubljana a worldwide inquiry was announced to investigate how ICEC members are attracting young Cost Engineers to become members. Up to today we have not been enquired or have knowledge of an ongoing inquiry.

14. Any other items of interest, which you wish to report:

1. DACE and the Nederlandse Vereniging van Bouwkostendeskundigen [NVBK] have signed a Memorandum of Understanding and are discussing / investigating fields such as education, publishing & seminars for co-operation.
2. A workgroup DANGER! [DACE Next Generation] has been formed, which will formulate initiatives how to attract and invite young value and cost engineers.
3. DACE will introduce a Runner Up Award for Value or Cost Engineers younger than 35 years.
REPORT OF Slovenian Project Management Association ZPM TO THE INTERNATIONAL COST ENGINEERING COUNCIL REGION 2 MEETING Rome, November 8, 2008

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5. Number of Members by Category (as of December 31, 2006)
(Please list each category of membership and the number of members in each category)
Corporate members: 18
Individual members: 101
Student members: 30

(Listed members who paid membership fee for 2008)
6. Seminars/Conferences/Congresses held since the last ICEC Region Meeting: (Please list):

»ZPM forum« is an annual Slovenian conference on project management.

Special event

In December 2007 ZPM organized a meeting of ZPM members to present the directions of development of ZPM and its activities in 2008.

ZPM Forum 2008

ZPM Forum 2008 took place in the beginning of June 2008, 4-6/6/2008 in Radenci Slovenia close to Austrian border. The title of the forum was: With project to the leading role in EU.

On January 1st 2008 Slovenia as a member of EU took over the presidency of European Union for 6 months. This presidency is a huge organizational and strategic challenge that can be managed exclusively by projects. Our annual Project forum as a central Slovenian event from on the field of project management so presented what kind of projects were necessary to cope with this demanding task. We focused also on the projects that we have to implement to fulfill Lisbon strategy.

Project forum 2008 was focused on two traditional topics – development of project management discipline and presentation of good practices from project management area. The main purpose is to exchange knowledge and experience between participants from academia and companies and other organizations, to make new business contacts and to strengthen project management profession.

The round-table discussion was dealing with raising competitiveness of Slovenian economy with projects and it included two representatives from Slovenian private sector. The producer of light aircraft Ivo Boscarol who gained already second time NASA award last one for best construction of electric aircraft and Mr. Ledinek the producer of best machines for wood cutting on global level.

7. Scheduled Future Seminars/Conferences/Congresses:

ZPM Forum 2009

We are now in preparation phase of ZPM Forum 2009 which will take place at Bled at the beginning of June (June 3 to 5, 2009). Venue Hotel Astoria - Bled.

Central theme of the Forum 2009 will be: European Year of Creativity and Innovation. This is namely the imperative for development and survival of European Union in the time of financial Crisis.

Forum will be organized by ZPM board member Tanja Arh and Aljaž Stare – the president of ZPM will strongly support her. In the organization of Forum 2009 several members of MPM Young Crew will be involved; they will be admitted to the forum without payment of the fee.

Forum will be supported also by Slovenian Forum for Innovations.

Contact addresses are: e-mail: aljaz.stare@siol.net and info@zpm-si.com
Kenneth Humphreys’ Award

We prepared and sent in time (December 31, 2007) a paper to participate in contest for Kenneth Humphreys’ Award. The paper has been selected on the meeting of ZPM board in October 2007.

Bostjan Bozic was awarded by Kenneth Humphreys’ Award on ICEC meeting in Toronto in June 2008 in discipline of project management. The paper is available on ICEC webpage at the address: http://www.icoste.org/HumphreysAwardPapers.html.

8. Potential Future Events under Consideration:

Slovenian Project Excellence Award

Slovenian project management Association was planned first to start with a new project: - Slovenian project management award in the year 2006, but it was delayed. In 2007 we started a pilot project to be successfully finished at ZPM Forum 2007 in Olimia in June 2007.

For 2008 we have had a plan to deliver Slovenian PM Award to the project team that achieves the best result among participating organizations, representing the most successful presentation of project management. The criteria are compatible to IPMA Project Excellence Award model.

Application announcement was not launched because of little interest among organizations and a lot of other activities. So only the criteria for the award have been presented to potential participants at the National Project Management Forum – ZPM in June 2008 at Radenci.

The Award will be so announced for the year 2009 in December 2008.

9. Any New Initiatives/Innovations?

ZPM library and the web-forum

In 2008 we planned to establish the ZPM e-library (the list of books and literature, owned by ZPM members) with the intention to encourage the literature exchange and the knowledge transfer. Until the date of report we established a library of literature owned by ZPM at new location of ZPM Stegne 7 Ljubljana.

The knowledge and experience transfer among ZPM members we would like to increase by web-forum as well. Web-forum has been established as a pilot project by Bostjan Bozic in June 2008.

YOUNG PROJECT MANAGERS

Mission and Goals

YPM is a student section which operates within Slovenian Project Management Association (SPMA). It unites students and yet uncertified young project managers willing to develop their potentials. The section’s goal is to promote project management and help its members with development of their professional work skills. The section also cooperates in SPMA’s projects.

Goals:
  ▪ To promote project management among students and young professionals.
To assure students the chance to get practical experience during the time of studies (cooperation with companies, organization of workshops, internships, etc.)
- To provide the students and young project managers with project management knowledge.
- To meet and get to know other members of YPM.
- To cooperate with other organizations alike - national and international.

**Directions of work**

YPM works in accordance with IPMA YC and SPMA goals.
- Promotion and development of project management.
- Identification of needs of project management and business management.
- To raise professional knowledge of project management young crew.
- To promote professional and personal development of each PM YC member.

The activities of YPM Slovenia are divided in three major areas:
- Company oriented activities
- International activities
- PM profession development (research and scientifically work in the field of PM)

**10. Training/Certification Issues?**

(a) **PROJECT MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME**

Certification programme IPMA SloCert is running since 1998 and each year we have about 10 applicants for certification on different IPMA level form A, B, C and D.

The certification programme is compatible with ICRG – IPMA Certification Regulations and Guidelines (Ver. 3.0, March 2007) and with ICB – IPMA Competence baseline (V. 3.0, June 2006) and consists of:
- some specialized seminars given to the applicants,
- submission of the paper describing applicants project from all the relevant points of view considering the ICB – IPMA Competence baseline,
- The written examination, lasting four hours, in which applicants answers to 12 questions, prepared according to the ICB – IPMA Competence Baseline.
- The oral examination - discussion about the written paper between the applicant and the examination body including also questions and answers related to the project management body of knowledge.

In the year 2007 we have had 35 applicants. We organized 5 workshops for them and we had 3 written exams. In December 18 of the applicants successfully finished their certification process on the D level and they got certificates during the special event on the 4th of December 2007.

In the year 2008 we started in March a new certification process for 23 candidates – 3 on B level, 7 on C level and 13 on D level. In September we started for the first time second round of certification process in the same year for 17 candidates (14 levels D and 3 levels C)

The Certification programme in Slovenia - IPMA SloCert is the programme of ZPM Slovenian Project Management Association. The programme had been successfully validated by the IPMA Certification Validation Commission in the year 2006.

In the year 1999 the agreement between IPMA and ZPM about conducting certification process in Slovenia was signed. The first three assessors were appointed in 1999 by IPMA. In this year the certification programme started. Additional three assessors were appointed in 2007.

There are four levels of certification. Levels A, B, C are based on competence (knowledge, experience and personal attitudes); level D is primarily based on knowledge.

The certificates are valid for 5 years, except level D which has no limited duration.

Certification regulations and guidelines as NCB National Competence Baseline have been prepared for the programme as well as marketing materials, certification procedures etc. The used languages in certification are
English and Slovene.

Until December 2007 118 candidates were certified, 19 candidates have had recertification already.

In 2005 the SloCert certification programme was accredited by ICEC International Cost Engineering Council.

The programme is running by Certification Body.

The new organization scheme was developed in the beginning of 2007. The certification body consists of six assessors among which there are three first assessors as lead assessors and three new assessors nominated in 2007.

The present manager of the programme is Igor Vrečko M.Sc. leading the organizational part of the program.

(b) ICEC accreditation of SloCert programme

In October 2005 we prepared the application forms for submitting the certification programme for ICEC accreditation and we were proud to gain the ICEC Accreditation in November 2005 announced by a letter of ICEC Secretary Treasurer Kenneth Humphreys dated Nov. 15, 2005.

(c) NPK/NPQ National profession Qualification

ZPM also participated in preparation of NPK/NPQ National profession Qualification regulations, which have been accepted by Slovenian government in 2006 and several assessors nominated in April 2007.

In 2006 already 35 candidates successfully passed the examination to be entitled “project leader” or “project associate” and additional 17 in 2007. The formal delivery of certificates was organized on September 27, 2007. Additional delivery of certificates was organized in February 2008 in Slovenska Bistrica near Maribor.

The new group of 16 candidates started the training in November 2007.

The process is continuing also in year 2008 and several candidates already passed the examination. Next examination will be for 5 candidates on 29th November

(d) ZPM EDUCA

ZPM EDUCA is an educational program organized by ZPM. We organize one or two-day’s seminars and workshops exclusively on project management themes. The program includes three modules:

- Base knowledge seminars - ABC project management, Project Start-up, Economics, Project planning (MS project), Project organization, Project team leadership
- “Special” seminars – Project and strategic management, Project funding, Project risk management, Project office & information system, Project management introduction
- Applicative workshops - RD projects, Civil engineering projects, EU projects, Regional Development projects.

11. Any Important New Publications? (Please list.)

(If possible, mail a copy of any new books or other major publications to the ICEC Secretary for review on the ICEC webpage. Please include price and ordering information).

(a) PROJECT MANAGEMENT REVIEW

PROJEKTNA MREŽA SLOVENIJE

ISSN 1580-0229
Editor-in-chief
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Jure Kovač – past Editor in Chief being busy as associate Professor of Organization Theory and Management on the Faculty of Organizational Sciences, University of Maribor and several other functions, announced in October 2007 his resignation by 2008. So we had to make a change in editorial board.

Technical Editor
Tanja Arh
Master of Sciences, Jožef Stefan Institute, Slovenia.

Description:
Project management Review is the scientific and professional review of the Slovenian project management association. The Review publishes significant and useful articles dealing with the broad interests of the field of project management. Topics covered included:

- project planning, organizing and controlling,
- project concepts,
- project evaluation,
- project methods; tools and techniques,
- team building and training,
- project start-up,
- risk analysis and allocation,
- quality assurance,
- resources, cost and time allocation,
- project finance,
- project management software,
- organization systems,
- strategic project management,
- etc.

The Project management Review emphasizes the knowledge of the practical and theoretical aspects of project management and covers all areas of project management from systems to human aspects and link theory with practice by publishing case studies. The journal aims to provide a focus for Slovenian expertise in the project management. In the application areas listed, this includes academics: researchers and lecturers in project management; practitioners: project managers and planners in business, commerce and industry.

Project management Review was founded in 1998. It is devoted to the publication of high quality research papers in all fields of project management, and publishes approximately 180 pages of “new project management” a year. Beside the research papers the Project management Review publishes professional articles, information, book reviews, reflections, interviews and computer software reviews. Published quarterly, Project management Review provides research essential to the field of project management in Slovenia.

The Project management Review achieves an editorial balance among research, technique, theory, and practice. All articles submitted to the journal are reviewed. The journal is published in Slovene language with English abstracts and summaries.
(b) SENET Review

SENET Review is a specialized review intended to project managers of East European countries published in English language. The review has been financed and published by ZPM - Slovenian project management association. Each of the SENET members got some free copies which were probably distributed to members of those national associations. After some issued numbers we found that the review publishing and distribution costs are too high for ZPM budget. The lack of funds was the reason for the publishing break after the third number was published in March 2003.

On the initiative of Prof Mihály Görög from Hungary last year the team for SENET review revitalization was established. The most important reason for the review publishing continuation is to encourage younger, and attract academic and professional authors to publish their scientific articles. The “new SENET review” idea is not only to connect the SENET national associations but also the SENET Universities that contribute to the project management profession development. We believe that we can get a high number of scientific articles from academics and their PhD students, and we also expect case analyses from associations’ members who manage projects in different enterprises and other organizations.

The main question remains: how to assure the review financing? We discussed two propositions - every SENET member (national association) covers the cost of one issue or – every SENET national association subscribes a certain quantity of review copies and pays them.

(c) PROJECT MANAGEMENT BOOK and other publications

There has been published also a book Projektni management (Project management) by Anton Hauc PhD. (Price – 80, 00 EUR)

In 2007 we successfully finished Translation of ICB IPMA Competence Baseline V. 3.0.

Slovenian Project management Association ZPM has an intention to publish a Slovene book of project management Knowledge based on ICB IPMA competence baseline and PMBOK Guide as also on specific experience in Slovene environment. The book is now in finishing process.

Release was planned in spring 2008, but we decided to take more time for the contents adjustment. So far we have delivered the draft version to certification candidates only. The book will be published at the beginning of 2009.

The books, reviews, forum proceedings and other publications can be ordered on the address of our secretary, Matjaž Madzarac. There man can find also information about prices.
12. Any issues where cooperation with other member organizations are on-going or desirable (please indicate in each case if it is on-going or desirable).

SENET- renamed to CENET

ZPM proposed and started SENET (Central and South East European Network) forum in November 2000 with basic idea to foster co-operation between project management associations in the Central and South East European countries. It is an on-going cooperation by which delegates meet at least once per year – mostly during some national or international congresses or similar – and exchange new ideas about cooperating activities. There is still a lot to be done in order that the SENET idea revives in all its possibilities.

The last meeting of SENET representatives has been held in June 2007 at Cracow during the 21st IPMA World Congress. On this meeting there has been accepted the proposal to rename the SENET organization to CENET (Central European network). The initiative is now on Croatia.

ZPM – member of MEDNET

ZPM recently joined to the MEDNET (Mediterranean European Network). MEDNET is initiated by some Mediterranean PM associations which are members of IPMA. The main goals of this group are same as in the SENET or NORDNET group. The main initiative was given by Gilles Caupin (F), who coordinates this activity.

13. Please list any issues (Regional or International) which you wish to have considered by the ICEC Council. /

14. Any other items of interest which you wish to report: /

No

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