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Chairman Report

Where are we going?

The 9th World Congress of ICEC is approaching quickly and will take place on 20th – 22nd October 2014.

The World Congresses are the highlight and the main event of ICEC and it is the perfect place to revisit the Mission, Visions and Strategy of ICEC. In other words asking ourselves: “Where are we going?”

In order to answer that question on a solid foundation we need to know the thoughts and needs of our member organizations. Furthermore active involvement in developing a new strategic plan is more than welcome.

One trend in our societies and professions is the ongoing tighter integration of economies and industries within and across borders. ICEC needs to continuously develop concurrently with the surroundings, in order to effectively offer member associations and their members the best opportunities, services and professional forums.

But what does that mean in more concrete terms? The mission statement of ICEC is pretty stable and long lasting. It says “The mission of ICEC is to promote the profession and co-operation between cost management and project management societies worldwide for their mutual wellbeing and that of their individual members”

The key emphasis is co-operation and professional development. The uniqueness of ICEC is that it covers all three main areas of project professional services, namely Project Management, Cost Engineering and Quality Surveying. Those areas cover very well the whole picture of the disciplines in the project world, and also include the variation in different traditions and in various cultural and national settings.

I am convinced that one focus area in ICEC should be more integrated cross functional activities. Such cross functionality covers the usual disciplines, such as PM, CE and QS. There is a lot to learn from each other and we need more cross activities that facilitate such learning. This is already going on, but with a deliberate effort it is possible to focus on this even more than now.

But cross functional could also mean an increased need of activities across industries. ICEC members are predominantly related to the construction and building industry. This is due to natural and historical reasons, as large capital projects are within that sector. But also other sectors have a great impact on society, such as IT, public service and administration, production and many others. Projects within such sectors also carry great capital investments, and interact commonly with other sectors.

Carsten Wedstrom
ICEC Chair
A natural consequence of such a strategy is that more co-operative agreements with other organizations should be signed and more organisations should join ICEC from more countries and industries. This will also include welcoming more than one organization from each country as it is seldom that one organization can represent all project related activities and industries in one particular country. This has not been a widespread custom until now, but it will surely be a benefit for the professions of PM, CE and QS and increase the service ICEC can provide to its members.

A lot of challenges are derived from such a strategy. For instance how is that going to be implemented in practice? Some measures could include creating regional working groups or initiating or facilitating joint research and development projects. And it requires more active individuals to champion such activities.

A lot of other ideas on how ICEC can and should develop in the future can be found among our member organizations. I will again urge every individual and project organization to contact the ICEC secretariat with proposals for what and how ICEC should develop. This is important to ensure that ICEC is going to serve its members in the best possible way. All input will be taken into account and evaluated in detail.

Furthermore, I urge you to take part in the work of ICEC. There are plenty of tasks that can be assigned to individuals. Getting involved with ICEC will provide you with benefits such as obtaining a broader and more international perspective to your own work and the work of your organisation.

Carsten Wredstrom
ICEC Chairman
Welcome to the March 2014 ICEC International Roundup Newsletter. This newsletter is published twice a year in March and October. I would like to encourage all member associations and their individual members to contribute articles and other relevant information for each newsletter. It provides a good opportunity to promote congresses, seminars, forums, projects and other activities of your association.

9th ICEC World Congress – Milan, Italy: 20-22 October 2014

The Italian Association for Total Cost Management (AICE) continue their tremendous preparations for the hosting of the 9th ICEC World Congress in Milan, Italy. With the support of the Federation of Scientific and Technical Associations (FAST) the organisation and planning by the AICE has been highly professional and augers well for a highly successful event.

Registrations for the congress are now open. Registration details and other information about the congress can be found on the Congress website at www.icec2014.it.

On behalf of the AICE and ICEC I would like to encourage you all to attend this global congress. It would be greatly appreciated if you could also forward details of the Congress (including the Congress website) to all of the individual members of your association and any other colleagues, associations or other parties that may be interested in the event.

2014 ICEC Council Meeting – Milan, Italy: 18-19 October 2014

The 2014 ICEC Council meeting will precede the 9th ICEC World Congress on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th October at the Congress venue in Milan.

The time frame for this 2 day meeting is currently scheduled for 9am-5pm (Saturday) and 9am-1pm (Sunday). The meeting on the Sunday can be extended through the afternoon if needed. There will also be a range of other meetings held during the Congress with various smaller groups meeting to discuss specific items. Further information will be provided closer to the Congress.

It is very important that all ICEC members be represented at the ICEC Council meeting. The full Council meets only once every two years and it is at this meeting that major decisions are made for the next two year period and beyond. Requests for items to be included in the Meeting Agenda should be emailed to the ICEC secretariat and me (secretariat@icoste.org & peter.smith@uts.edu.au) by 1 August 2014.

The agenda for the meeting will include written reports from member associations. It would be greatly appreciated if member associations could email their reports to the ICEC Secretariat and me by 1 September 2014 so that they can be included in the formal Agenda Book.
2014 Ken Humphreys Young Student/Practitioner Paper Award

Submissions for the 2014 Kenneth K. Humphreys Young Student/Practitioner Paper Award competition are now open. The winners will be announced at the ICEC World Congress in Milan, Italy. Details about the award can be found on the ICEC website at: www.icoste.org/category/awards/

The award was established in 2006 in recognition of Dr. Humphreys’ service as ICEC Secretary-General from 1976 until 2006. The award is open to students or young practitioners under 36 years of age and involves the submission of papers through ICEC member associations. The award program is held every 2 years in conjunction with the biennial ICEC World Congresses and the awards are presented at these Congresses. The first awards were made at the 2008 ICEC World Congress in Toronto, Canada and more recently at the 2010 ICEC World Congress in Singapore. The paper awards are available in each of the three professional categories which make up the membership of the International Cost Engineering Council (Cost Engineering, Quantity Surveying and Project Management). Therefore up to 3 awards are available (one for each of these categories).

Papers must be submitted to the relevant ICEC member association for review in the first instance. ICEC member associations may alternatively select papers they consider worthy of nomination for the award. The ICEC member association will then determine whether the paper/s submitted are suitable for submission for the award. The paper/s must then be submitted to the ICEC Secretariat by the ICEC member association. Please note that individuals cannot submit papers directly to the ICEC Secretariat – all papers must be submitted to the relevant member association in the first instance. Please note that the papers can either be new papers or papers that have been previously published in industry/academic journals or other publications.

The following dates/deadlines apply for the 2014 award program.

1 April 2014 – Opening date for submission of entries to each member association
1 August 2014 – Closing date for submission of entries to each member association
1 September 2014 – Closing date for member associations to submit their selected paper/s to the ICEC Secretariat
2014 ICEC Distinguished International Fellow (DIF) Awards

Nominations for the 2014 award of Distinguished International Fellow (DIF) are also now open. The DIF awards are conferred at each biennial ICEC World Congress so the 2014 awards will be conferred at this year’s event in Milan. Further details about the award including past award recipients can be found at: www.icoste.org/category/awards/.

The award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to ICEC and to the association or institute of which they are a member for a period of years.

The recipients must be nominated to receive the award by an ICEC member association or institute. They must:

- Have held a significant volunteer position in both ICEC and a member association or institute;
- Have had significant involvement over a period of several years in both ICEC and a member association or institute; and
- Must have made a significant contribution to the development of the cost management profession.

The deadline for the nominations for the 2014 DIF Award is 1 September 2014.
ICEC Executive Board Meetings

The ICEC Executive and Regional Officers continue to have regular Skype meetings to discuss various matters and to develop plans and projects. We are also looking into other technological tools to improve electronic communication within the ICEC executive and the ICEC community generally. We would welcome suggestions from any ICEC members who have experience/expertise in using and evaluating various web-based meeting software programs, online discussion boards and various social media.

2014 ICEC Regional Meetings & Congresses

The following annual ICEC Regional meetings are planned for the year:

Region 1
The Region 1 meeting will be held in conjunction with the annual Brazil Cost Engineering Day being held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on 6th May 2014. The Region 1 meeting will be held the day prior on 5th May 2014. It will be hosted by the Brazilian Institute of Cost Engineers (IBEC).

Region 2
A specific Region 2 meeting will not be held this year due to the ICEC World Congress being held this year in Region 2 (Milan, Italy). Matters pertaining to Region 2 will be discussed in Milan at the Council Meeting and other meetings during the Congress.

Region 3
The Region 3 meeting is yet to be finalised but is likely to be held in conjunction with the African Association of Quantity Surveyors (AAQS) General Assembly in Johannesburg, South Africa (tentatively September 2014).

Region 4
The Region 4 meeting will be held in conjunction with the 18th Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors (PAQS Congress) being held from 7-10 June 2014 in Hong Kong.

2016 10th ICEC World Congress

The 2016 10th ICEC World Congress will be hosted by the Brazilian Institute of Cost Engineers (IBEC) in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The dates for the event were recently finalised. It will be held from 1-5 October 2016.

Please book this in your diaries! The congress website can be found at: www.braziliandream2016.com

Peter Smith
ICEC Secretary General
The hard work for the preparations for the congress commenced in earnest at the beginning of 2014. From this point, the organizing committee has been meeting weekly to update the schedules, to keep the members informed about what has been done and to discuss the next steps. The secretariats are now working full time. The registration procedures commenced on 1st April 2014. We recommend early registration, as there is a substantial early bird discount.

The submission date for paper abstracts was extended to 7th March declared. This was due to the fact that many people requested some more time. We hope to receive more abstracts and papers from Europe, that cannot be emphasised more highly. As a matter of fact, as things are now, we have received 98 abstracts: 17 out of them are from Italy, 8 from other European and Near East countries, 23 from the Americas, 26 from Africa, 20 from Asia and Pacific and 4 are not classified. We hope to receive at least 25 more abstracts.

If we compare current abstract submissions with previous congresses, the number of abstracts received is somewhere in the middle, it is not the best one, but it is on the average. However, it is quite unbalanced, since European countries are not represented enough. This is something we should improve. It is a matter of fact that this is a tremendous opportunity for the European region as the next ICEC World Congress in Europe will not be held until 2022. We still hope that the final picture will be more balanced.

After 7th of March we started working on a preliminary congress schedule, that has recently been published. We are also working on the usual matter of all congresses, such as looking for sponsorships and exhibitors, key note speakers and marketing. All those activities are going on with some difficulties, due to the European economic situation that up to now has only partially improved, then we have to face some potential sponsors that are not willing to spend money, since they have to face major problems. We hope that this situation will be better within the next three or four months.

There is still some time to submit a paper, but is also the right time for all other people to decide whether attend the congress. An early registration, besides allowing a discounted rate, is also a substantial help for the organization of the congress and to make reliable forecasts about costs and revenues as well as to decide if there is a possibility to organize some additional events.

We look forward to seeing you in Milan!

By Gianluca di Castri
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Dear Sir/Madam,

A new edition of the ICEC World Congress will return with 3 days of enriching programme line-up.

On Monday 20, 2014 a panel with major stakeholders will provide the occasion for debating on TCM future perspectives and scenarios. On the following days, technical sessions will propose experiences, new practices, studies, etc. from all over the world. In particular, the Organizers have decided to focus on those aspects of TCM considered as a leverage against economic crisis and to emphasize new sectors or aspects, such as BIM and Health Care.

Abstracts received are more than 150 coming from Italy (26%), other European and Near East countries (10%), the Americas (20%), Africa (24%) and Asia and Pacific (20%).

Find out more on ICEC 2104 in the website: www.icec2014.it.

Register for the IX World Congress ICEC 2014
Enjoy Early Bird Discount Before 30 June 2014!

Who will attend

Individuals (professionals and students), researchers, academics, managers, public administrators, and business leaders interested/involved in project delivery and control.

Key Topics include

- strategic projects decisions and cost control in public administrations
- company profitability increase using TCM
- from project control to company control with TCM practices
- the new frontiers of building information modelling (BIM)
- health care projects (a new field for the implementation of TCM practice)
- global projects in difficult times
- long term projects controlling,

Best regards

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President of AICE - Italian Association for Total Cost Management
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Organizing Secretariat: icec2014@promoest.com
History of ICEC Congress

The ICEC World Congress has been held every two years since the first meeting in 1976 in Boston, USA, under the name of “International Cost Engineering Congress, totalizing 14 editions. In 1998 the name changed into “ICEC World Congress” with numbering starting anew. Recently, highly successful Congresses have been held worldwide including:

2006 5th World Congress - Ljubljana, Slovenia
(263 participants, 37 countries, 98 submitted papers, 43 accepted papers)

2008 6th World Congress – Toronto, Canada
(387 participants, 31 countries, 175 submitted papers, 61 accepted papers)

2010 7th World Congress – Singapore
(458 participants, 36 countries, 159 submitted papers, 72 accepted papers)

2012 8th World Congress – Durban, South Africa
(422 participants, 24 countries, 110 submitted papers, 54 accepted papers).

Average Congress Demographics

The following figures are based on the 5th Congress in Ljubljana and the 8th Congress in Durban.

Job titles

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Key industries (average)

- Project Managers .......................................................... 16%
- Cost Engineers ............................................................. 18%
- Quantity Surveyors ......................................................... 49%
- Controllers ................................................................. 10%
- Other ............................................................... 6%
Benefits to Participants and Sponsors

The ICEC Congress offers a forum to meet:

- specialists with deep knowledge on Total Cost Management
- professionals from all over the world (50+ countries represented)
- all potential customers for equipment and services
- key influencers in purchasing decisions
- potential collaborators, consultants and evangelists
- contributors to international standards

and to:

- access to facilities for showcasing new products
- PDU / PDH credits
- specific pre-Congress seminars for students and beginners.

Expectations for the 9th Congress Edition in Milan

ICEC Congress delegates come from all over the world, usually with a higher proportion from the hosting country closer regions. In the case of the 9th Milan edition, participants from European Countries are expected to be the largest group.

Furthermore, the following choices:

- the focus on all the aspects of Total Cost Management (not only Quantity Surveying) considered as a leverage against economic crisis
- the emphasis to new aspects and sectors (BIM and Health Care)
- the decision to privilege the exchange of experiences with academic research

lead to forecast a number of 350 to 400 participants.

The Milano EXPO 2015, which will be in its final preparation stage, will be a privileged scenario to discuss about Total Cost Management in real life.

We look forward to meeting you in Milan at ICEC 2014!
Total Cost Management in Difficult Times

Corporate profitability and cost controls in difficult times: two goals to be achieved by applying Total Cost Management in international practice and experience

The serious global crisis of financial markets has become an economic problem, which is trickling down to impact projects. This has caused a decline of both manufacturing and consumption.

Investment in production appears to be the one way to overcome the crisis.

One obstacle to this is the lack of resources of national Governments, which swamped by excessive debt. Limited funds for large public projects are compelling careful focus on project performance, economy and efficiency.

Also, Owner organizations are experiencing a progressive decrease of profit margin. To compete in the international market, these Enterprises are endeavoring to maximize production to the extreme, with new risk factors, that must be evaluated and monitored. The Total Cost Management (TCM) community, urged by market challenges such as expenditures control, transparency, production efficiency, and risk management, has become increasingly aware of the process of scope, purpose and return on investment. This brought TCM to assume a crucial role: not just professional practice but a governance and control mechanism that provides value for money.

There are various ways in which the development of TCM may reveal itself, depending on the different enterprises to which it applies:

- the selection of the investments to be made and accurate costs control are tied to the need to integrate traditional ERP processes of Management and Works Accounting with the planning and control approach at both project and portfolio levels. The TCM discipline extensively and successfully supports both in terms of methods and tools offered;
- major industrial groups and large enterprises, adopting the practices of TCM at an "enterprise" level are going to extend top down the organizational, methodological and IT systems - typical of the "project based" discipline - to all the most important operational processes, to render the company operational structure profitable as a whole;
- for companies whose core business is represented by a limited number of large size job-orders, choosing TCM can mean adopting the discipline's concepts throughout the whole delivery process (from the bidding phase to
the execution of works), regulating and managing the complex network of commissioning, supplying and controlling relations, that increasingly characterizes the operations of large public and private contracts for infrastructure, construction and industrial plant design.

- the application of TCM techniques and practices to the management of their job orders and projects has increasingly become a need also for smaller-sized businesses, in order to be proactive and competitive in the national and international productive markets.

- long term infrastructural projects are, in general opinion, considered out of control. Actually TCM methods and tools can let us achieve the target to keep projects under control.

The aim of this Congress is to illustrate significant international experiences and practices, with the goal of correlating needs and achieved results to facilitate a greater dissemination of TCM on a global scale, at a time in which cost control and profitability issues have reached and touched all levels of society, who realize now the possible consequences of individual economic choices and factors.
On the 23rd October 2013, the CECA poverty relief team consisting of eight people arrived at Siqie Village primary school in Southwest Butuo County of Liangshan Yi Autonomous Prefecture. They held a gift handover ceremony that involved the donation of 60 sets of sportswear, 4 laptops, 50 dictionaries, skipping ropes and other items to the children.

Meanwhile, the CECA poverty relief team had an informal discussion with the teachers and students from Siqie Village primary school. The team gave a brief introduction on the nature of the cost engineering profession, and exchanged views with the students. In return, the students expressed their thanks to the team by performing most sincere songs. During the break, the team members played skipping ropes and badminton with the students - the playground was full of laughter.

Later on, the team went to the Lada center school in Butuo County who are sponsored by the Canadian Fuhui Fund, and gave some stationery to the local children.
CECA Cost Engineering Industry Development Seminar

CECA organized an "Engineering Cost Information Industry Development Seminar" in Beijing on 22nd and 23rd of October 2013. This was the first national seminar on the engineering cost information industry.

The seminar had comprehensive themes and substantial content, including "the industry direction", "management systems" and a "BIM section".

The purpose of these three themes was to promote the engineering cost information policy, exchange successful experiences of information technology, and further improve awareness of industry-wide information technology.

But another purpose was to promote the process of engineering cost information industry measures and methods.
CECA held a joint public lecture on 29th October 2013 at the Beijing University of Architecture with the theme of ‘The Building Industry and Development in Middle East and Africa – Interpretation and Practice of Project Procurement and Foreign Law’. The lecture was led by CECA to strengthen international exchanges and cooperation in the domestic engineering cost consulting industry. Therefore helping members understand and develop in the international market.

The lectures were given by invited internationally renowned experts who brought the latest information on building industry development in the Middle East, North Africa and other countries.

There was a broad interpretation of the relevant laws and nearly 80 people attended the meeting. The lectures had a warm atmosphere, where the audience asked questions on issues of interest, and the experts from the United Kingdom, Australia and South Africa answered questions individually.

The lectures achieved the purpose of promoting international exchange and cooperation within the industry.
On 24th July 2013 both CECA and the Beijing Construction Engineering Cost Association (BCEC) implemented the spirit of the central working conference in Urumqi. Thus further promoting the business level of engineering cost consulting enterprises in the region of Xinjiang.

The work forum allowed collaboration between Beijing engineering cost consulting enterprises and Xinjiang enterprises. Wu Zuomin, Secretary-General of CECA, opened the forum meeting by introducing the reason and purpose behind aiding Xinjiang.

He stressed that CECA needed to assist Xinjiang consulting enterprises to improve their management philosophy, personal training and management levels. Wu Zuomin highlighted the importance of promoting Xinjiang Engineering Cost Consulting Enterprises on a bigger platform, further strengthening the company and establishing a long-term contact strategies.

Company managers from both Beijing and Xinjiang spoke at the conference. CECA supported aiding Xinjiang work development, praised the ideas for aiding technology, and economical strategies to promote collaboration and stability. CECA hope that continual support and providing aid will allow Xinjiang to actively pursue and apply a positive approach towards work progression in the Cost Engineering industry.
PAQS 2014

The 18th Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors Congress 2014
7th to 10th June 2014 (Saturday to Tuesday)

HONG KONG

The Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors (PAQS) is an international association of the quantity surveying and cost engineering profession in the Asia and Western Pacific region. Members include quantity surveying and cost engineering institutions from 14 countries and cities including Australia, China, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Malaysia, Fiji, Brunei, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Philippines, South Africa, Indonesia and Hong Kong. The PAQS Congress 2014 will include paper presentations, panel discussions, exhibition and technical visits.

Please read more at www.paqs2014.com
ICEC Inventory of International Standards – Currently Being Updated

ICEC has for many years compiled a listing of best practices and standards which have been developed in various countries around the world for the practice of cost engineering, project management, and quantity surveying.

This inventory includes documents developed by the member associations of ICEC plus many independent standards organizations. The objective is to share information and knowledge to assist in the global development of the profession.

These standards can be found on the ICEC website at: http://www.icoste.org/resources/standards/#more-61

The website currently comprises the following:

- Inventory of Best Practice and Standards
- The lists includes standards from Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Singapore, United Kingdom, United States and South Africa plus standards and best practices developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), the International Project Management Organization (IPMA) and the Commission Electrotechnique Internationale (IEC).

- Worldwide Educational and Competency Standards

This provides details of standards for professional competency, for educational programs, and for accreditation of educational programs and degrees in cost engineering, quantity surveying, and project management.

ICEC is currently updating this inventory and would like to request that all ICEC member associations and other interested parties assist us by providing us with links to their latest best practices and standards. These details can be emailed to the ICEC Secretary-General Dr. Peter Smith (Email: peter.smith@uts.edu.au)
ICEC Accreditation of Member Association Certification and Continuing Professional Development Programs

ICEC has an international accreditation scheme for ICEC member associations who conduct certification and continuing professional development programs. This provides global recognition for the qualification and is highly valued by member associations and their qualified members.

ICEC Member Associations may seek ICEC accreditation of Cost Engineering, Quantity Surveying, and Project Management certification and continuing professional development programs (CPD), provided that these programs meet ICEC standards for recognition. Persons qualified under any of these accredited programs are entitled to use the International Cost Engineering Council name and logo and the post-nominals ICECA to designate their achievement. The following outlines the conditions associated with these.

CERTIFICATES

After approval of a program by ICEC, the member society issuing the certifications or CPD certificates may indicate on the certificates that the program has been accredited by ICEC and may also include the ICEC logo on the certificates.

As an example, certificates issued by the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors include the words "The Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors Continuing Professional Development program is Accredited by the International Cost Engineering Council." This is followed by the ICEC logo. Similar wording may be used on the certificates issued by any accredited program. Please note that the ICEC name and logo must be smaller in size than the name and logo of the member society. Prior to issuing any certificates containing the ICEC name and/or logo, the member society should submit a copy of the proposed certificate to ICEC for review and approval.

LETTERHEADS AND BUSINESS CARD

Persons holding a certificate which has received ICEC accreditation may include the ICEC logo and name on their business cards and letterheads provided that the sponsoring member society has submitted the proposed wording to ICEC for approval. Care must be given to clearly show that the person holds a certificate issued by the member society, not by ICEC, and that ICEC has granted accreditation to the member society program, not to the individual. Also, wording must clearly show that the individual person is certified, not his/her business or company. Suitable wording is of the form: "Name of person, Certified Cost Engineer (certified by AICE, accredited by ICEC)" or "Name of Person, Certified Cost Engineer (certified by the Associazione Italiana di Ingegneria Economica, accredited by the International Cost Engineering Council). Another example is "Name of Person, CCE (certified by ACostE, accredited by ICEC)." This wording may be in English or in the language of the country in which the certificate is issued, if other than English. If the initials are spelled out, the words used should match the initials customarily used by the certifying member society. The ICEC logo may be used along with the wording provided that the logo is small in size.

INITIALS/POST NOMINALS

Because the use of initials following names is a widely used practice in many countries to designate credentials, the ICEC Executive has authorized the use of initials to designate ICEC accreditation as shown in the following examples: "MAICE CCE ICECA" meaning that the person is a member and holds a Certified Cost Engineer certificate issued by AICE and accredited by ICEC.

"MISM ICECA" meaning that the person is a member of the Institution of Surveyors, Malaysia which is an ICEC accredited CPD program.

"FAIQS ICECA" meaning that the person is a fellow of and holds a CPD certificate issued by the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors which is ICEC accredited.

The important consideration in the use of the initials is that the ICECA (International Cost Engineering Council Accredited) follows the initials related to the membership and certification granted by the member society. The ICECA initials may not be used alone and may not appear at any other location in a list of credentials.

FEE AND RENEWAL

The individual is not required to pay any fee to ICEC for the use of the ICEC designation. However the accredited member society is required to pay to ICEC a fee based on the number of certified persons per year. Also, the member society must reapply for ICEC accreditation at least once every five years. This requirement is to assure that the accredited program has not been modified in any way which might cause it to no longer meet ICEC standards of quality and acceptability.

APPLICATIONS

ICEC Member associations desiring accreditation of their certification and continuing professional development programs may apply on-line on the ICEC website at: http://www.icoste.org/accred.htm
2014 ICEC EVENTS AROUND THE GLOBE

RICS Summit of the Americas
4-6 May 2014 - Toronto, Ontario – Canada
Details can be found at: http://www.rics.org/au/training-events/conferences-seminars/rics-summit-of-the-americas-2014/toronto-ontario/

This conference brings together leaders and best practices from across the full range of property professions, from capital markets and quantity surveying, to valuation across all asset classes (e.g. real estate, arts and antiques, business, machinery).

Held in Toronto, one of North America’s top financial centers and the Canadian hub for internationally-recognized financial institutions, the summit is the premier event for networking with the region’s senior level executives. Participants will enjoy unparalleled business opportunities and best practice sharing, keynote and panel presentations by internationally-renowned industry leaders, career advancement and networking opportunities with senior level professionals and can participate in workshops designed to foster knowledge and drive innovation.

Participation in the two full summit days will be worth 14 hrs. of Formal CPD, meaning that members will have met their entire Formal CPD requirement for 2014.

400-600 senior delegates are expected, from the Americas and beyond.

AACE Annual General Meeting
15-18 June 2014 - New Orleans, LA, USA
Details can be found at: http://www.aacei.org/am/currentAM/

AACE International Annual Meeting in New Orleans to Focus on Oil/Gas/Energy Sector

The AACE International Annual Meeting June 15-18, 2014 at the Sheraton Hotel in New Orleans, LA will feature a series of special sessions focused on the oil, gas and energy sector. The 2014 Annual Meeting theme, “Total Cost Management: Platform for Success”, pays homage to growing awareness of the critical important of cost engineering in today’s highly complex and competitive energy sector.

International Project Management Association 28th World Congress
29 September – 1 October 1 2014 - Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Details can be found at: http://www.ipma2014.com/

The 28th edition of the IPMA World Congress will be held from 29 September to 1 October 2014 in the City of Rotterdam, The Netherlands under the main theme: “Innovation through Dialogue”.

Over 120 speakers in three days filled with the latest experiences and insight about Innovating the world through dialogue. Dialogue within projects, dialogue between projects (portfolio’s), dialogue over time (programs) and dialogue outside projects, with project-owners, users and stakeholders. And of course the dialogue between the business and academic world.
OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

The 7th Quantity Surveying Conference is organised at a time when the profession is confronted with a myriad of challenges emanating from the ever changing socio-economic, technological & environmental spheres. Clients are demanding better services than ever before and Quantity Surveyors are under pressure to deliver the desired expectations and to ethical standards. Professionalism as we know it has to be seen in different perspectives. The conference brings together academics, researchers, postgraduate students and industry practitioners, to brainstorm on how the profession can influence the dynamic socio-economic environment now and in the future.

CONFERENCE SCOPE

The theme of the conference: Quantity Surveying – Mapping the Future, reinforces the idea that it is about time that Quantity Surveying profession as a profession requires re-thinking for sustenance. The focus is placed on current research and innovation towards improving professionalism in the quantity surveying profession and the construction industry at large. Papers are welcome from a spectrum of themes within the quantity surveying profession and the industry either from research or practice. The papers should reflect novel application of theory and innovative practice in the profession and the industry.
The 18th Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors Congress

PAQS 2014

18th Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors (PAQS) Congress
7-10 June 2014 – Hong Kong
Details can be found at: www.paqs2014.com

The Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors (PAQS) is an international association of the quantity surveying and cost engineering profession in the Asia and Western Pacific region.

Members include quantity surveying and cost engineering institutions from 14 countries and cities including Australia, China, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Malaysia, Fiji, Brunei, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Philippines, South Africa, Indonesia and Hong Kong.

The PAQS Congress 2014 will include paper presentations, panel discussions, exhibition and technical visits.

International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) 2014 FIG International Congress
16-21 June 2014 - Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Details can be found at: http://www.fig.net/fig2014/

Every four years FIG organises an international congress, where thousands of surveying and land professionals from across the globe meet to debate and get inspired, particularly on current developments and contributions that will allow the profession to be continually armed with knowledge and best practices.

The FIG Congress will for the first time since its beginning in 1878 be held in Asia, and the silver jubilee Congress will be a culmination of the four-year FIG Work Plan as well as the start of a new 4 year term with a new FIG President who will be elected at the General Assembly. Do not miss this grand celebration!
AACE International Total Cost Management Conference
11-13 November 2014 - Bangkok, Thailand
Details can be found at: http://www.aacei.org/mtgs/ITCMC/
The event will be the second educational conference sponsored by AACE International outside of North America and represents one of the several initiatives AACE International committed to as part of its strategic plan to expand international benefits and services. Currently, 27% of AACE members are outside of North America.

The two-day event will feature a keynote general session followed by two tracks of technical presentations based upon peer-reviewed papers.

The technical presentation selection process will be modeled after the process used by the AACE International Technical Board for the Annual Meeting and will require potential presenters to submit an abstract of their proposed presentation for consideration.

ICEC 9th World Congress
20-22 October 2014 – Milan, Italy
Details can be found at: www.icec2014.it

Total Cost Management in Difficult Times

The focus of this year’s Congress is on the various aspects of Total Cost Management which can be exploited in the practical dimension of use and be considered as possible leverages for overcoming or counteracting the present serious worldwide economic crisis. The main topic of the Congress will investigate how TCM application can contribute to business development in a sustainable way. Other research paths will be relevant to certification, compared to other certificates, and to professional methodologies, best practices and standards. We expect this will be an excellent opportunity to continue the ICEC tradition of fostering international exchange and promoting excellence in our profession, in a friendly and supportive environment.
The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS) is celebrating its 30th year anniversary this year. The HKIS was established in 1984 and is the only professional organisation representing the surveying profession in Hong Kong. As at 4 February 2014, the total number of members was 8951 comprising 5936 corporate members, 63 associates members and 2952 probationers and students.
HKIS have been a member of ICEC since 1996.
A series of events are being held to celebrate the anniversary and include:
Tram Party, Surveyors Luncheon, Cocktail Reception, Annual Dinner and of course hosting the 17th PAQS Congress in June 2014.
ICEC would like to congratulate the HKIS on this significant milestone.
CONGRATULATIONS BRAZIL!

On June 24, 2012, at 8th ICEC World Congress in Durban (South Africa), was approved by the ICEC (International Council of Cost Engineering) proposal of IBEC to perform in the city of Rio de Janeiro in 2016, the 10th ICEC World Congress.

"IBEC is elated with the approval of your application to make the World Congress on Cost Engineering in 2016 in the city of Rio de Janeiro. Thank ICEC their trust in our work with this entity over the last 32 years." Paulo Roberto Vilela Dias (President of IBEC)

REGION 1 (NORTH / SOUTH AMERICA) AWARD

In a ceremony held in Rio de Janeiro, Paulo Dias received from the hands of the Vice President of ICEC for North and South, Engineer Angelo Valle, the diploma for significant contributions to ICEC Region 1.

This award was due to “important role that IBEC has developed around the country teaching of Cost Engineering, this skill in raising the position of science and through actions and consulting work for the defense of a fair price for public works, as is the case of the 1st COST FORUM BRAZILIAN PUBLIC WORKS, which just held in seven state capitals in the country since November 2011.
ICEC AMERICAS SYMPOSIUM
RIO DE JANEIRO BRAZIL 2013

The World Congress in Rio de Janeiro is scheduled for the second half of 2016, and will feature preliminary events, such as the “ICEC Americas Symposium Rio de Janeiro Brazil 2013,” previously scheduled for 14 and 15 August 2013.

For more information about the IBEC 10th ICEC World Congress in Rio De Janeiro please go to the following link:

http://www.braziliandream2016.com/

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We look forward to seeing you at the 2014 ICEC Congress in Milan held by the AICE!