CIB TG85: R&D Investment and Impact

Outcomes of Webex # 9 - 7 May 2013 (5 – 6 pm Brisbane, Australia time)

Attendees: Bougrain, Frédéric; Brøchner, Jan; Hampson, Keith (Coordinator); Haugbølle, Kim; Heyblom, Tom; Kadefors, Anna; Kestle, Linda; Kraatz, Judy (Coordinator); Lehtiranta, Liisa; Meistad, Torill; Niemi, Renita; Sanchez, Adriana (Commission Secretary); Støre Valen, Marit; Shen, Geoffrey; Vainio, Terttu; and Wilkinson, Suzanne.

Apologies: Airaksinen, Miimu; Bakens, Wim; Bottura Barros, Mercia; Cardoso, Francisco; Chapman, Robert; de Oliveira, Lucia Helena; Chi, Seokho; Dewulf, Geert; Leiringer, Roine; Mikkonen, Virpi; Nenonen, Suvi; Nüssle, Gregor; Robinson, Aminah (Coordinator); Slaughter, Sarah; and Thomas, Ken.

WORLD BUILDING CONGRESS

- Investing for Impact booklet was launched by Australian Chief Scientist Ian Chubb on Tuesday, 7 May 2013. The speech is available here.
- The booklet was included in the satchels of all congress attendees and had a great reception. It is also available online and has generated great feedback among colleagues of authors who have made it available to their departments.
- The booklet will also be distributed at the 7th Nordic Conference on Construction Economics and Organization in Trondheim, 12-14 June 2013.
- The Task Group has a new member: Linda Kestle from Unitech, New Zealand.
- CIB TG85 received the 2012 Commendation Award from the CIB Programme Committee for the most remarkable contributions to CIB from amongst the Commission and Theme Group Coordinators and Members. This is a great acknowledgement of the team effort that has led to the Task Group outcomes. The award was to be collected by all TG85 members attending the WBC13 dinner.
ALBERTA CONGRESS

- Aminah is organising a congress to be held in Edmonton, Alberta on 23 January 2014. Members who would like to act as speakers should contact Aminah directly.
- More detailed information will be provided to all members at a later date.

TG85 WEBINARS

- The Task Group has been invited by the CIB to have a series of webinar, a week a part with three to four members acting as speakers (10-12 mins presentation) for each event. These would be organised and promoted by the CIB (through newsletters and website).
- Examples of webinars organised by other Task Groups can be found here.
- An option would be to have themes for each day of webinars, these could be region driven (time zones) or organised by themes arising from the book such as those mentioned in the Overview section of Investing for Impact or those to be included in the concluding chapter of the book. A list of potential themes will be circulated before WebEx 10 for feedback from members and nomination of potential speakers.
- The webinar series will be discussed during the next WebEx. Members that would like to suggest potential themes should email Adriana.

CIB TG85 BOOK

- The quality of the second drafts is very high. It has been a great effort and it is coming together well.
- Final chapter draft deadline with any minor refinements: 31 May 2013.
- Launch may happen at TG85 conference organised by Aminah Robinson in Edmonton; confirmed date and some more details will be sent in the coming weeks to TG85 members and posted on the CIB website.
- Chapter 18 will draw conclusions from all previous chapters and will be written by Keith, Judy and Rachel Parker (Professor in Management at QUT with expertise in research impact and SMEs). A feedback round is planned to include comments from the authors of the individual chapters that would like to do so.
- The book is scheduled for publication in 2014.

KEY DATES

- 31 May 2013 – Final chapter manuscripts due (last chance to update or do final minor changes).
- 23 January 2014 - Conference in Alberta
- March/May 2014 – TG85 Webinars

NEXT MEETING

- Tuesday, 25 June 2013 at 3 pm Perth Time.

Your participation has been terrific; we appreciate the efforts made by everyone in the Task Group that have led to our significant achievements!