

Conference programme and structure

In the **conference sessions** representatives of the Euroconstruct member institutes will present the **forecasts** for the three main construction sectors (residential construction, non-residential construction and civil engineering) as well as total construction output up to 2008 – with an outlook for 2009.

In the afternoon well-known experts will speak on **The Impact of Globalization on Worldwide Construction Markets**. Apart from analysing the substantial changes in recent years, forecasts for possible future developments will be made. Particular attention will be paid to the presentation and discussion of future areas of growth in worldwide construction demand.

On Thursday there will be a welcome evening and on Saturday a sight-seeing tour at which delegates will be able to share experiences and garner the views of Euroconstruct members on an informal basis.

Programme of the welcome evening

Thursday, 30 November 2006

- 5.30 pm** Guided tour through the museum and the Antiquarium of the Residenz (from 1508 to 1918 seat of government and residence of the Bavarian dukes, electors and kings)
- 7.30 pm** Exchange of experiences and discussions in the run-up to the conference: Evening event on invitation and at the HypoVereinsbank, Munich. Kardinal-Faulhaber-Straße 14
- Moderation: Lars Hornuf**
Ifo Institute for Economic Research
- 8.00 pm** **Welcome address: Marcus Ebert**, Director and Head of Private and Business Clients of the Munich City Branch, HypoVereinsbank
Prof. Hans-Werner Sinn, President of the Ifo Institute for Economic Research
Address: Erwin Huber, Bavarian Minister of Economic Affairs, Infrastructure, Transport and Technology
- 8.30 till 10.00 pm** Food and beverages, discussions – and surprises

Conference programme

Friday, 1 December 2006

Morning session

- 8.30 am** Registration and coffee

OUTLOOK FOR THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR IN EUROPE

Chairman: Dr. Willi Leibfritz
Head of Division Country Studies III, Economics Department, OECD, France

- 9.15 am** Forecasts for 2007 and 2008 with an Outlook to 2009

The European Macro-economic Outlook
Prof. Gebhard Flaig, Member of the Executive Board and Head of Department Business Cycle Analyses & Financial Markets, Ifo Institute for Economic Research, Germany

The European Housing Market
Bjørn-Erik Øye, Prognosesenteret, Norway

The European Non-residential Market
Patrick de La Morvonnais, BIPE, France

- 10.30 am** Coffee break

- 11.15 am** **The European Civil Engineering Market**
Barbora Menclova, URS Praha, Czech Republic

The European Construction Market
Erich Gluch, Ifo Institute for Economic Research, Germany

- 12.00 pm** Plenary discussion

- 12.30 pm** Lunch



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Afternoon session

THE IMPACT OF GLOBALIZATION ON WORLDWIDE CONSTRUCTION MARKETS

Chairman: Dr. Friedrich Schneider
Member Executive Board, ARCADIS NV, Netherlands



Allianz Arena

- 2.00 pm** The Present Situation for the Globally Operating Construction Industry
Adrian Knoepfli, Business Journalist, Switzerland

Trends and Prospects for the Global Economy and the Construction Sector: The Outlook to 2020

Prof. Dr. Norbert Walter, Chief Economist of Deutsche Bank Group and Managing Director, Deutsche Bank Research, Germany

- 2.50 pm** Plenary discussion

- 3.10 pm** Coffee break

Selected Future Drivers of Global Construction Demand

- 3.40 pm** Worldwide Growth of Concession Projects
Dr. Fernando Gutiérrez de Vera, Chairman of the Concessions Commission, SEOPAN, Spain

- 4.00 pm** Oil Profits Stimulate Construction Activity in the Near and Middle East
Norbert Hoffmann, Head of the Executive Management, Bilfinger Berger AG Civil, Germany

- 4.20 pm** Continuing Huge Demand for Infrastructure Projects in Asia
Dr. Sebastian Paust, Alternate Executive Director, Asian Development Bank, Philippines

- 4.40 pm** Plenary discussion

- 5.00 pm** End of the main conference

Supplementary programme Saturday, 2 December 2006

- 9.30 till 11.30 am** Visit of the Allianz Arena
(venue of the opening game of the Football World Championship 2006)

Euroconstruct Network and Conferences

The need for better co-ordination of analytical and forecasting activities in the European construction industry led to the formation of the **Euroconstruct group** in 1975. Since then, Euroconstruct has expanded continuously to include nearly all West European countries as well as a number of Central European countries. Today the network comprises research and consulting institutes from 19 countries.

The **62nd Euroconstruct conference** is organized by the Ifo Institute for Economic Research, Munich, a founding member and German partner institute of the Euroconstruct network. The Ifo Institute was founded in 1949 and it is one of the leading economic research institutes in Germany. Its primary focus is in research and consultancy of macro-economic developments as well as public finance and labour markets. The construction sector is also intensively analysed.

The conference will be of interest to managers and other professionals, particularly in the following areas:

- Manufacturers of building materials, products and equipment
- Building and civil engineering enterprises
- Housing and industry associations
- Architects and engineers
- Banks and financial institutions
- Economists and consultants
- Suppliers to the construction industry
- Representatives of ministries and public authorities

The Euroconstruct Network:

Austria	WIFO – Österreichisches Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung, Vienna
Belgium	AQUIEC-VKEBI – Association pour la Qualité des Indicateurs Économiques de la Construction, Brussels
Denmark	CIFS – Copenhagen Institute for Futures Studies, Copenhagen
Czech Republic	URS Praha – Institute of Rationalisation of the Construction Industry, Prague
Finland	VTT – Building and Transport, Business Intelligence, Tampere
France	BIPE, Boulogne-Billancourt
Germany	IFO – Ifo Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung, Munich
Hungary	Build & ECON – Building Economy, Art and Architecture Consulting Office, Budapest
Ireland	DKM Economic Consultants, Dublin
Italy	CRESME RICERCHÉ SPA, Rome
Netherlands	EIB – Economisch Instituut voor de Bouwnijverheid, Amsterdam
Norway	Prognosenteret AS, Kolbotn
Poland	PAB – Polish Construction Research and Forecasting, Warsaw
Portugal	ITIC – Instituto Técnico para a Indústria da Construção, Lisbon
Slovakia	ÚEOS – Komerčiaci AS, Bratislava
Spain	ITEC – Institut de Tecnologia de la Construcció de Catalunya, Barcelona
Sweden	Prognoscentret AB, Stockholm
Switzerland	KOF – Konjunkturforschungsstelle an der ETH, Zurich
United Kingdom	Experian Business Strategies Ltd., London

Conference Information

Location:

The conference will be held at the Kempinski Hotel Airport München within the Franz Josef Strauß Airport Area in Munich. For those conference attendants who wish to stay at the Kempinski Hotel Airport München there are a limited number of rooms available at a special price of €169,- (until October 26, 2006). Please make your reservation directly with the hotel (Tel. +49 (0)89 9782 0) and mention that you will be attending the Euroconstruct conference.

Translation:

The conference will be held in German and English. For the main conference, simultaneous translation will be available in German, French and English.

Conference fees:

- Attendance at the conference including the summary of proceedings ("Summary Report", in English) as well as the Country analysis with detailed reports and figures for 19 countries ("Country Report", in English): **€2,140 (incl. 7% VAT)**
- Attendance at the conference including the summary of proceedings ("Summary Report", in English): **€1,284 (incl. 7% VAT)**
- For additional participants from the same company a **50% discount** on the conference fees will be granted.

Fees also include all activities arranged for the welcome evening on Thursday, 30 November and the sight-seeing tour on Saturday, 2 December, as well as all refreshments during the conference.

Registration:

If you wish to attend the conference, please complete the attached registration form or register online via www.ifo.de. Your registration form and conference fee should be received by Ifo by **20 November 2006**. Once payment has been received we will send you a receipt and a conference information pack.

Cancellation: If you cancel your reservation before 16 November 2006, 50% of the registration fee will be reimbursed; afterwards no reimbursement will be possible. However, you will be able to name an alternative delegate instead.

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