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CIB – SBRCURnet Cooperation Agreement



Background

At the 2013 CIB General Assembly meeting in Brisbane, Australia, the CIB Membership adopted THE NEW CIB STRATEGY as presented in a separate news article that can be downloaded [here](#).

Among other things, this new strategy includes the development of new information products and services.

At its meeting in October 2014 in Budapest, Hungary the CIB Board adopted a new business model aimed at enabling the implementation of THE NEW CIB STRATEGY in general and the development and delivery of such new information products and services in particular.

Move to Delft

As was foreseen in the new business model, the CIB Secretariat moved to Delft, from its former location in Rotterdam. There it's housed at the Bouwcampus, which is located on the campus of the Delft University of Technology.

The Bouwcampus is a recent initiative which aims to bring together as many Dutch organisations as possible that have to do with Building and Construction Research and Innovation.

Cooperation Agreement

Another component of the business model is that the CIB Secretariat will fulfill its tasks as much as possible via a service agreement with another organisation, as opposed to via employed staff. This will provide access to professional support services and maximal flexibility.

In support of this, CIB and SBRCURnet (another member of the Bouwcampus) signed a Cooperation Agreement.



This agreement confirms the following:

Taking into account that:

- SBRCURnet is an independent neutral, non-for-profit Knowledge Institute based in the Netherlands and financed by private and governmental means.

- SBRCURnet does support the people in the building sector in doing their work by developing and implementing new innovations and knowledge. This is done by programming relevant themes, innovations in practice and hereby secure and disseminate the relevant knowledge.
- CIB is an association with an international membership. CIB aims to stimulate and facilitate worldwide information exchange and cooperation in the area of research and innovation for building and construction

CIB needs support on matters related to: financial and administrative work, secretarial tasks and marketing and communication

SBRCURnet offers those disciplines for work that will be performed under the direction of CIB, if and when required.



Wim Bakens (left) and Jack de Leeuw (CEO SBRCURnet) proudly present the agreement, as signed on May 20, 2015 in Delft, The Netherlands

Enhanced services

With this cooperation, a strong basis has been created to not only continue the existing Secretariat services, but to also develop new and better services for both CIB Commissions, Theme Groups, Student Chapters and Regional Offices and for the CIB Membership as a whole.