25th Meeting of the Engineering Chambers and Associations of the Visegrad Four Countries

Banská Bystrica, 4 - 7 October 2018

















DECLARATION

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The organizer of the jubilee 25th meeting of the engineering chambers and associations of the Visegrad Four countries, which took place in Banská Bystrica in Slovakia on 4 - 7 October 2018, was the Slovak Chamber of Civil Engineers (SKSI).

After the introductory opening discussions of the delegations and introduction of members of the delegations, they moved on to discussion of the individual points of the program:

1. Presentation of the winning diploma work of the competition "Engineering Prize"

Laureate of the "Engineering Prize 2016": Marek Bednár

Name of the subject of the diploma work: "Sporting Arena in Šamorín – roofing"

A part of the program of discussions of the delegation was the presentation of the winner of the "Engineering Prize 2016", which is awarded to the most successful diploma works of graduates of engineering studies from Slovak technical faculties. SKSI is the main sponsor of this engineering prize.

2. Mutual recognition of professional qualifications in V4 countries — establishment and hosting

The aim of the discussions to the issue of mutual recognition of was to verify potential changes in the systems of recognizing qualifications in the individual V4 countries. The main contributions for the individual delegations were presented by:

- SKSI: Marián Slosarčík, chairman of the Authorization Commission of SKSI

PIIB: Zygmunt Rawicki, vice-president of PIIB

- MMK: Csaba Holló, vice-president of MMK

- ČKAIT: **Josef Velíšek**, chairman Commission for the Recognition ČKAIT

On the basis of the presented approaches of mutual recognition of professional qualifications the delegations stated that the approach to the granting of authorisation for establishing and hosting engineers in the individual V4 countries is similar.

The individual delegations of engineering chambers of the V4 countries declared that they will further create in their countries the conditions for applying an equivalent approach to resolving the recognition of professional qualifications of applicants from other V4 countries.

3. Implementation of BIM in V4 countries

The implementation of BIM systems into real practices is still a current subject in all European countries.

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It is essential that the construction sector use building informational modelling - BIM - as an effective tool for a decision-making process with the aim of saving of time, reducing the amount of wastes and increasing the quality of all processes during the entire life cycle of public and private property.

Therefore, members of the V4 will support timely understanding of the requirements for the digital informational environments of their national authorities, for the support of well-structured and managed multidisciplinary cooperation with the aim of supporting digitalization of the construction market established on model-based orientated integrated planning.

Information on its current status in the V4 countries for the individual delegations was brought by:

- SKSI: **Tomáš Funtík,** vice-president of BIMaS

- PZITB: Wiktor Piwkowski, secretary general of PZITB

MMK: Gyula Nagy, president of MMK

- ČKAIT : **Alois Materna**, vice-chairman of ČKAIT

From the mentioned presentations, participants stated that in the individual V4 countries progress is being made on the level of awareness of the professional public about the issue of BIM systems; however, approaches in the individual countries differ.

The delegation of engineering chambers and associations declared an interest in cooperation in the case of the opportunities to seek common participation in international projects financed from European Union sources focused on the creation of a common platform when introducing a BIM system into practice.

- **4.** The engineering chambers and associations of the Visegrad Four countries accepted the invitation of the Polish Chamber of Civil Engineers (PIIB) and the Polish Association of Construction Engineers and Technicians (PZITB) to the 26th meeting of the engineering chambers and associations of the Visegrad Four countries in 2019 in Poland.
- **5.** The delegations of the engineering chambers and associations of the V4 countries express satisfaction with the current level of mutual cooperation and confirm that the 25th meeting of the engineering chambers and associations of the V4 countries fulfilled the set program of discussions, which they confirm with the signature of the heads of the delegations.

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