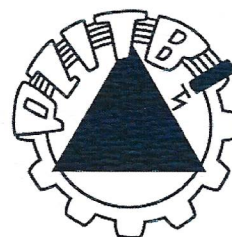
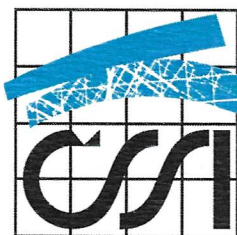
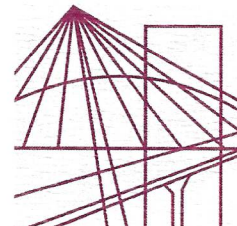




Declaration of the 28th meeting of the engineering chambers and organizations of the V4 countries



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Czech Republic, Valeč, 29th September – 2nd October 2022

Introduction

The 28th annual meeting of the engineering organizations and chambers of the V4 countries was held on 29th September – 2nd October 2022 in Valeč in the Czech Republic. In the first part of the meeting detailed reports on changes in the legal environment, the situation in construction sector and the role of chambers and engineering organizations in the member countries were submitted.

1. The Public Procurement Act

In connection with the revisions of EU Directive the designated organizations face the pressure to use criterion the lowest price in public procurements, which leads to decrease design and construction quality. The problem of pricing of design and construction works and absence of fee order persist in all the V4 member countries. Some politicians' requirements on negotiation of discounts of previously concluded contracts are unsustainable.

2. Building Act

After discussing the amendments to the Building Act in the V4 member countries, it was decided to grant each other the current texts of building laws and implementing regulations thereto.

3. Energy performance of buildings

Representatives of the member countries provided information on the transposition of EU Directive EPBD II into national legal systems. It was agreed upon cooperation in developing the implementing regulations, exchange of experience in verifying the eligibility of energy specialists, and creating educational materials. Influence of political situation on prices energy and building materials was also discussed.

4. Centres of technical standards, standards for technical drawings, building information modelling, electronic archiving of design documentation

Participating organizations will inform each other about activities in the regulatory region (particularly in the area of standards for building drawings). There will be a coordinated support for electronic archiving of design documentation and enforcement of building information modelling (BIM) usable throughout the life cycle of buildings in the international organizations ECEC and ECCE.

5. Working group

The professional organizations of the V4 countries have agreed to establish a working group that will identify differences and harmonize the area of public procurement, bill of quantities and construction budgets. The establishment date is set to 31st October 2022 and the work outputs to the next V4 meeting in 2023.

6. Construction Law in Poland

After information about the amendment to the construction law in Poland, delegations of V4 express their concern about the intention to build residential houses with an area of up to 70 m² for their own use without a construction manager and keeping a construction diary. Such a procedure may pose a threat to the safety of these structures. The V4 delegations agree that a construction manager with appropriate construction qualification should be appointed for each building.

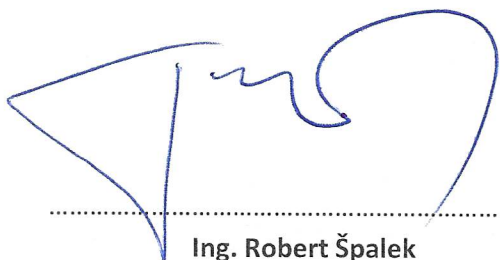
The regulation on the detailed scope and form of a construction design in Poland introduces the division of a construction design into three separate elements. Delegations from the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary are concerned about the provision in the Construction Law regarding the lack of a requirement to submit a technical design at the stage of obtaining a building permit.

7. The engineering organizations of the V4 countries will discuss the creation of a system for increasing the qualification rating in tenders, especially public contracts.

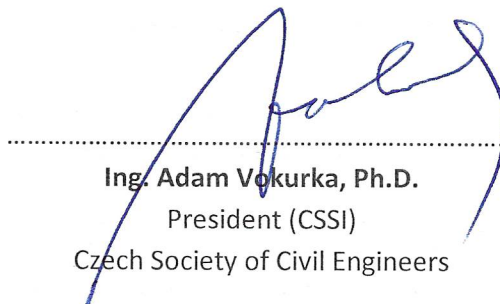
8. Delegations expressed their appreciation and thanks to the organizers of the Czech Chamber of Chartered Engineers and Technicians (CKAIT) and the Czech Society of Civil Engineers (CSSI).

9. The engineering organisations of the V4 countries agreed that the next annual meeting will take place in October 2023 in the Slovak Republic at the invitation of the Slovak Chamber of Civil Engineers (SKSI) and the Slovak Association of Civil Engineers (SZSI).

Adopted in Valeč, 1st October 2022



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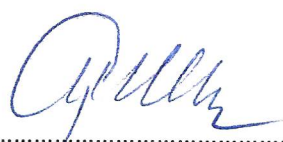
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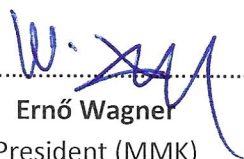
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