Overview
The cidb postgraduate conference is hosted every two years and aims to bring together construction industry stakeholders: academics, public administrators, professionals in the public sector (government ministries, department and agencies) and private practice (contracting organizations, consulting firms) and other related bodies and institutions (financial and legal), with a view to providing an international forum for discussing the current issues relevant to the development of the construction sector, and an opportunity for postgraduate students to present their work to an international audience.

Theme i
Emerging trends in construction organizational practices and project management knowledge areas

Theme ii
Emerging trends in strategic management in construction.

Objectives
The objective of the 9th edition of the cidb conference is to explore emerging trends in the construction sector, focusing on:
- The construction project delivery processes; and
- Construction organizational practices and project management knowledge area.

Main Topics/Sub-themes
1. Emerging Trends in Construction Projects Delivery
   i. Trends in project planning/feasibility studies
   ii. Trends in project procurement
   iii. Trends in international construction issues
   iv. Trends in ethical issues and industrial relations
   v. Trends in legislations and regulations
   vi. Trends in construction education
   vii. Trends in information technologies
   viii. Trends in housing policies
   ix. Trends in urban design and development

2. Construction Trends in Strategic Management
   i. Trends in total quality management (TQM)
   ii. Trends in resilience and disaster Management
   iii. Trends in cultural and societal management
   iv. Trends in project life cycle management
   v. Trends in project management
   vi. Trends in knowledge creation and management

3. Emerging Trends in Organizational Practices and Procedures in Construction
   i. Trends in business development strategies
   ii. Trends in human resource (HR) & career development
   iii. Trends in continuous professionals development (CPD)
   iv. Trends in leadership system
   v. Trends in marketing strategies
   vi. Trends in genders issues
   vii. Trends in corporate social responsibility (CSR)
As part of the output of this conference, we plan to publish an edited book on the conference theme. Therefore authors of the best papers will be invited to submit improved versions of their papers for the book publication.

Guidelines on Abstract and Paper Submission

Papers written in English are welcome for submission by author(s) which should not be more than 250 words for peer review by the scientific and technical committee. Submission of abstract should not be later than 31st August 2015. The template for abstract submission is attached in this mail.

Registration and Participation

The conference registration fee is R2500 for students and R4000 for others. The registration fee covers the cost of all conference materials including proceedings and meals.

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