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**It's official the UK Construction  
Professional Services sector is worth  
£12.3 billion**

Construction Industry Council (CIC) launched its new report 'Survey of UK Construction Professional Service 2001/2002' today at the Institution of Civil Engineers. The report is endorsed by the major Professional Institutions and supported by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

The report was launched by Elizabeth Whatmore, Director of Construction Sector, DTI, Michael Dickson, Deputy Chairman, CIC and Graham Watts, Chief Executive, CIC.

The 'Survey of UK Construction Professional Services' is the second ever comprehensive study of the Construction Professional Services (CPS) sector in the UK (the first was published by CIC 1997). The report assesses the size of the UK market for CPS and was derived from detailed information of fee income and the services provided by firms in the financial year 2001/2002.

This unique report includes data which proves the important contribution that the professional services sector of the construction industry makes towards the growth of the UK economy and its position in world construction markets. It provides essential information for forward planning in increasingly competitive national and international markets. It has also allowed, for the first time ever changes in the industry to be tracked.

Some of the key findings in the report are:

- ◆ UK professional services firms earn a total of £12.3 billion on projects in the UK
- ◆ There are approximately 23,500 professional firms in the UK who between them employ 225,000 people, of which 38% are full members of professional institutions
- ◆ The market share by sector is broken down to:
  - Engineering accounts for 30% of all work - £3.7 billion
  - Architecture accounts for 22% of all work - £2.7 billion
  - Surveying accounts for 16% of all work - £2 billion
  - Management accounts for 19% of all work - £2.3 billion
- ◆ There have been significant changes in the type and profile of firms that deliver these services – with a large increase in the role of multidisciplinary firms
- ◆ 56% of fee income is accounted for by partnered or negotiated agreements
- ◆ 60% of fee income is generated from new work with 13% from repair and maintenance projects and 27% on refurbishment

The Report and Summary are available to download free of charge from the CIC website at [www.cic.org.uk/cps](http://www.cic.org.uk/cps).

Note to Editors

CIC is the representative forum for the professional bodies, research organisations and specialist trade association in the construction industry. It provides a single voice for professional in all sectors of the built environment through its collective membership of 500,000 individual professionals and 25,000 firms of construction consultants.

NOTE This is not a survey of CIC members

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