

PRESS RELEASE

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CIC ConstructionSkills host 'Think Next Generation'

CIC ConstructionSkills have joined forces with Think, one of the most important new events to hit the property, building and construction world, to organise 3 interactive events for young professionals in the built environment running from 1-3 May 2007.

Think Next Generation special events programme will provide a platform for up and coming young professionals to network, contribute to The Think Charter (10 Actions on Climate Change), and develop team working and communication skills.

All Think Next Generation participants receive a ticket to attend the plenary sessions at the main Think conference and exhibition which will focus on addressing three major areas; sustainability, regeneration and innovation.

The Think Next Generation schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, 1 May, 5-7pm: Speed Networking with Sponge

The most efficient form of networking, but also lots of fun. Speed networking provides a structured environment where you can talk to people you wouldn't have otherwise come into contact with.

Wednesday, 2 May, 5-7pm: Discussion and Debate: Making the Built Environment Greener

This workshop & discussion will be based on the 10 Actions to help make the built environment green, produced as a result of Prince Charles' workshop at the conference. The findings will be reported back to the main conference on day 3 during a session in conversation with industry leaders. This is an opportunity for the Next Generation group to contribute directly to the larger Think debate.

Thursday, 3rd May, 4-6pm: Construction Games & Cocktail Reception

More fun to wind-down, but this time working in project teams to replicate a model building made out of building blocks. Of course, there is a catch – but this will only be revealed later!

Our games will be followed by a cocktail reception and traditional-style networking.



For further information visit www.cic.org.uk/think/

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Notes to the editor

1. CIC is the representative forum for the professional bodies, research organisations and specialist trade associations in the construction industry. It provides a single voice for professionals in all sectors of the built environment through its collective membership of 500,000 individual professionals and 25,000 firms of construction consultants.
2. The Construction Industry Council is a committed partner in ConstructionSkills, the Sector Skills Council for Construction. ConstructionSkills is a partnership between the CIC, CITB Northern Ireland and CITB-ConstructionSkills.
3. Think is a 3 day conference and exhibition that explores the wider responsibilities of the property and construction industries as we deal with the issues of climate change, urban renewal and development. Speakers include Al Gore, Will Hutton & Lord Coe.
4. Sponge is a network of open-minded individuals who share a particular interest in sustainable development. These individuals generally work in, or are associated with the development of our built environment; from bricks and mortar through design, engineering and planning to communities and regeneration.

For more information on Think visit www.think07.co.uk

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