



Eurobridge 2023 : Brussels

How to sustain bridges, safety while meeting the green deal target ?

Le Plaza Hotel, Adolphe Maxlaan 118/126, Brussels

Brussels, Friday April, 14th, 2023

8:00am: Welcome of the participants and exhibitors contacts

9:00am: Opening and presentation of the conference

Christian Tridon (FIEC) with Sandra Freeman (Journalist)

Philip Crampton (President of FIEC) and **Dominique Riquet** (Member of the European Parliament, member of the Transport Committee)

9:30am: 1st Roundtable: Bridge Inspection and Management

Bridges are essential elements of communication routes, whether road or rail. It is essential to keep them in good working state.

The maintenance of a bridge always starts with the perfect knowledge of its condition. The diagnosis allows to establish the corrective measures.

The monitoring and management methods are diverse. We will present some original examples implemented in some European countries.

11:00am: Coffee break, exchanges with exhibiting companies

11:30am: Intervention of PIARC

11:50am: 2nd round table: Environmental impacts of bridges

The Green Deal and the objective of carbon neutrality by 2050, in particular in the field of bridge maintenance.

Poorly maintained bridges, due to the traffic disruption caused by their repair or by their reconstruction, are very important sources of energy expenditure and carbon emissions.

The correct maintenance routine of bridges contributes to energy savings and resource conservation.

We will present examples of original approaches, undertaken by managers in some countries, to participate in the goal set for 2050.

1:00pm : Lunch on site



2:30pm: 3rd round table: **New professions for bridge management**

Bridge maintenance, through the monitoring, diagnosis, and study of corrective actions that it generates, will give rise to new professions.

It will be necessary to adapt the current training of technicians and engineers to these new specialties.

Apprenticeships will undoubtedly become the rule in all professions. Thanks to the Erasmus-Pro program, young apprentices will be able, like students, to complete their studies abroad. Some testimonies from different countries will be presented.

The search for new materials and new techniques requires adapted and competent personnel. Training is an essential element to enable this research and the implementation of these techniques. For bridges, it is the assurance of a good management and the durability of the works.

3:30pm: The management of emergency bridges, in the context of exceptional disasters

4:00pm: Intervention of the European Commission (DG Move)

4.30pm: Conclusion

4:45pm: End of the conference

For each "Round Table", the proposed theme will be transmitted to the members of the FIEC Bridge Group (2) so that each one can react according to the progress of this subject in his/her own country, and propose to intervene in the debate, during the conference.



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