Management of the Continuing Education Programme of the FCCE

Chapter I: General Provisions

Article 1 Basis

The Continuing Education (CE) Programme for FIDIC Certified Consulting Engineers shall be managed in accordance with the Implementation Plan and the Regulations of the FIDIC Certified Consulting Engineer Pilot Programme, which were approved by the FCCE Certification Management Board (hereinafter called the Board) in 2013.

Article 2 Purposes

The purpose of the CE program is to maintain and enhance the professional quality and practicing ability of the FIDIC certified consulting engineers (hereinafter called FCCEs). To that end, the FCCEs shall be exposed to materials added to the FIDIC Body of Knowledge through new FIDIC publications, and to new theories, new technologies, new approaches and new information relevant to the international consulting engineering industry through seminars and conferences. The FCCEs are encouraged to add to industry understanding by publishing their own project-related experiences in referred journals.

Article 3 Scope

This Continuing Education Programme shall apply to all who have officially been designated as FCCEs and awarded certificates signed by FIDIC.

Article 4 Rights and Obligations

Participation and acceptance of continuing education is the right and obligation of the FCCEs. Participation in continuing education programmes is the required precondition for FCCEs to apply for renewal of their FCCE certificate. Employers should urge and encourage FCCEs to participate in continuing education on a regular basis and provide time and funding support for this effort.

Chapter II Organization and Management

Article 5 Responsibilities

The Secretariat of the FIDIC Certified Consulting Engineer Certification Management Board (hereinafter called the Secretariat) will be responsible for the organization, coordination, management and supervision of the continuing education work, including the selection of qualified training institutions and trainers, and the preparation of the annual continuing education programme.

Article 6 Information Dissemination

The Secretariat shall prepare a list of continuing education activities along with the credits to be earned by participation, and shall post and maintain this list on the FCCE website.

Chapter III Contents, Forms and Credit Hours

Article 7 Contents

Contents for the FCCE continuing education programme shall include but is not limited to new theories, new technologies, new approaches and new information relevant to the international consulting engineering industry.

Article 8 Forms

Continuing education activities are divided into two categories: those that are compulsory and those that are optional. Compulsory activities will take the form of concentrated training. Optional activities will take alternative forms, such as attending seminars and forums, writing professional papers, etc.

Article 9 Total Credit Hours

The total credit hours for continuing education of an FCCE shall not be less than 48 hours over the 3-year validity term of the certificate, of which 24 hours are for compulsory activities and 24 hours for optional activities. If an FCCE fails to meet the requirement of 48 hours continuing education within the 3-year validity term, his/her certificate will not be renewed. Requirements and timing shall also be shown on the website.

Article 10 Credit for Compulsory and Optional Activities

The Secretariat will organize compulsory courses for concentrated training, over a total of 3 days for each group of graduates. Sufficient courses will be offered to allow FCCEs who cannot make a specific date to participate in alternatives within the validity period.

For optional activities, one engineering conference, or one professional paper for a journal or conference is equivalent to an 8-hour credit. Attendees at an annual FIDIC conference shall receive 12 hours of credit. FCCE candidates for recertification should provide evidence of their activities according to the details published on the FCCE website.



Article 11 Renewal of the Certificate

Renewal of the certificate will be by written application to the Secretariat two months before the expiration of a certificate, with payment of a non-refundable renewal fee and provision of a list of continuing education courses attended, and papers published or events attended during the previous three years as the qualification for renewal.

Chapter IV Supplementary Provisions

Article 12 Charges

Charges for the renewal of the certificate and participation of continuing education courses will be formulated separately.

Article 13 Interpretation

The Secretariat, representing the Board, is responsible for the interpretation of this document.

Article 14 Date of Implementation

This document will come into force on the date of promulgation.

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