

*The International Federation for Structural Concrete - **fib**  
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### **fib Memorandum of Chania**

*based on the discussions during celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of **fib** as  
well as the  
70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of CEB and 71<sup>st</sup> anniversary of FIP*

**The fib Presidents** – all past Presidents of *fib*, along with the current *fib* President – as well as the **fib Presidium** members, had a special meeting exclusively dedicated to the **25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fib** in Chania, Crete, Greece, to **review the past and present achievements and future challenges** of the *fib* (formerly CEB and FIP).

#### **The fib emphasises**

efforts for high quality and high technical value **in the design, the construction and the sustainable maintenance** (or preservation) of concrete structures, considering optimal selections of materials, safety, serviceability, reliability, sustainability, durability, service life, carbon neutrality, and performance-based requirements.

#### **The fib promotes**

**structural concrete** and develops technical, economical, aesthetic, and environmental guidance for the performance of concrete constructions. The main products of the *fib* are the Model Codes (MC1978, MC1990, MC2010, MC2020, etc.), *fib* Bulletins, guidance documents, and the Structural Concrete Journal.

#### **The fib intends to serve**

all practical needs for the design of concrete structures in our rapidly changing world. By its **ethos**, the *fib* is a major contributor to concrete science and technology, serving engineers as well as all who make use of concrete structures.

#### **The fib is open**

to **supporting technical development** and innovations in codification as well as in applications, considering the most recent achievements in new materials, new technologies, carbon neutrality, digitalisation, automation, and Artificial Intelligence (AI), etc.

#### **The fib collaborates**

with other associations and standardisation institutes in many fields to achieve common practices for wider use. The results of our efforts should be developed through collaboration between academia and practice. The transfer of knowledge between scientists, designers, and authorities is fundamental. Collaborations across various fields of engineering and architecture are welcomed.

#### **The fib is considered to be a very efficient working platform**

that is **based on collegial communication** in a positive atmosphere. Design codes and standards of the *fib* are developed on a consensus basis by member countries of the *fib* originating from five continents. The work in the *fib* is based exclusively on engineering without political or religious influence.

### **The *fib* supports recognition**

for **examples of structural design and optimal material** use in the work of civil and structural engineers of high value. This may include, for example, national or UNESCO listings or on-site recognition at the construction of historical or monumental concrete structures.

### **The *fib* intends to review its vision**

**and strategy** for the future in order to meet the current needs of engineers as well as the needs of society, and to ensure the completeness of activities within the *fib*.

### **If you join *fib*,**

you can influence the future and become part of the *fib family*.

### ***fib* Past Presidents and *fib* Presidium Members**

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2009-2010	Michael Fardis (Greece)
2011-2012	György Balázs (Hungary)
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