

European Council of Civil Engineers (ECCE)

ECCE (<http://www.ecceengineers.eu>) was established in 1985 with the active participation of IESF, in order to bring together the civil engineering organisations in European countries and to promote high technical and ethical standards, together with environmental protection, related to the construction sector in Europe.

ECCE has 20 members from most European countries and its headquarters are located in the UK, while the Secretariat is located in Greece (ecce_sps@otenet.gr).

The main activities of ECCE are:

- To prepare technical documents presenting common proposals to its members in the field of civil engineering (*Position paper on integrating structural/seismic upgrade*),
- To promote cooperation with other European organisations, particularly professional organisations (*FIEC, ECEC, etc.*), -
- To ensure relations with the European authorities for the preparation, follow-up and information of European texts (Regulation, industry, transport, environment....). Thus, ECCE participates in the work of the *High-Level Construction Forum, the Construction 2050 Alliance*, and the *New European BauHaus*. ECCE leads the *Valetta Declaration* on the maintenance of engineering structures,
- To promote the profession of civil engineering and to contribute with others (*EUCET Association...*) to maintaining and raising the level of education, training and skills in the civil engineering professions,
- To encourage cooperation between research organisations and networks in European countries (*ENBRI,...*) and to contribute to European research programmes.

ECCE publishes technical books on civil engineering. IESF is co-author of two edited books: *Civil Engineering Heritage in Europe* and *Footbridges in Europe*. In addition, IESF publishes articles in the series of books entitled *Notes on the history of civil engineering*.

ECCE publishes a bi-annual e-Newsletter and provides its members with a list of books, publications and other documents of European interest.

ECCE holds two annual General Assembly meetings. The most recent one took place in Vienna (Austria) in November 2022 under the chairmanship of Dipl.Ing. Andreas Brandner from Linz, Austria, with about 40 participants.

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