

Responding to the Economic Challenge - Buildoffsite Stakeholders Event – 29 September 2010

The Challenge

We all know that the health of the construction industry is inexorably linked to the performance of the wider economy. This inevitably means that over the next few years it is highly likely that investment capital for new public and private sector projects is going to be that much harder to come by and also probably more expensive to service. At the same time the performance of buildings and the associated design and construction processes will need to become ever more sustainable.

The challenge will really be on for construction businesses to become much more competitive if they are to be successful. This is likely to mean that clients along with businesses at all parts of the supply chain, will need to become much smarter in the way that buildings are conceived and procured and more certain as to the value that individual suppliers contribute to the procurement process.

This Stakeholder Debate will feature contributions from some of the UK's most expert clients and suppliers who will set out how they are responding to the new economic reality by implementing more efficient design and construction practices. They will also be identifying those aspects of the process where they will be looking for further innovations that will have the effect of bringing the process of construction more into line with the practices of leading manufacturing industries. Implementing these innovations in practice will have significant implications for the new skills and competences that the industry's work-force will require

The event will also include a contribution from Paul Morrell – the Government's Chief Construction Adviser – on the implications of the Innovation and Growth Team - emerging findings.

When is it? – Wednesday 29 September 2010

Where is it? – The BIS Conference Centre at 1 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0ET

What time is it? – Topical workshop sessions will start at 2pm followed by the Stakeholder's event commencing at 4.30pm – 6.30pm. This will be followed by a drinks reception and networking.

The Programme - Responding to the Economic Challenge - Delivering step-change improvements in Productivity, Process Efficiency, Sustainability and Value (Full details of the Programme will follow as soon as possible)

As always demand is high for these events and we would be grateful if you could advise us (by email – anna.whiting@buildoffsite.com) if you plan to attend to guarantee your place at this event.