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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

VENUE

The Conference will be held on 7th and 8th November 2002 at the Jean Monnet Building, Room M6, Rue A. Wehrer, Kircherberg, Luxembourg.

ATTENDANCE

Persons wishing to receive further information on the Conference should complete the attached form and immediately return it by fax or post to EGOLF at the contact points given below. Alternatively you may register your interest by simply e-mailing your contact details to EGOLF. This will ensure that you receive the registration forms and further Conference details when they become available after the summer months.

Trade or professional bodies may wish to receive a number of registration forms and programmes when they become available, in which case they should advise EGOLF in advance of their projected needs.

CONFERENCE DINNER

There will be a conference dinner arranged for the evening of the 7th November 2002.

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee is projected to be € 550 and covers attendance at the Conference as well as the Conference documents and the Conference dinner.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Participants will be responsible for their own hotel reservations, but special rates have been arranged with the Novotel hotel, which is situated directly opposite the Jean Monnet building. These are valid for reservations made prior to 1th october. Alternatively, arrangements may be made through the City of Luxemburg Tourist Office.

LANGUAGES

Simultaneous interpretation facilities will be provided between English, French and German.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information may be obtained by contacting:

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION
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Benefeu

THE BENEFITS OF
FIRE SAFETY ENGINEERING
WITHIN THE EUROPEAN UNION

CONFERENCE
7TH AND 8TH NOVEMBER 2002
LUXEMBURG

Conference on 7th and 8th November 2002 - Luxemburg

THE BENEFITS OF FIRE SAFETY ENGINEERING WITHIN THE EUROPEAN UNION

This is a significant conference arranged by EGOLF and supported by the European Commission – DG Enterprise.

It is designed to publicise to a wide audience the outcome of the Benefeu study completed earlier this year. This study was commissioned by DG Enterprise and was designed to evaluate the benefits of initiatives at an EU wide level, in relation to fire safety engineering, with the intention of supporting performance based regulations at a national level.

There is a world-wide trend towards performance-based regulation and a common and/or co-ordinated move in this direction between fire safety regulators would clearly be a benefit to the Community. It would assist in removing the continuing barriers to trade of construction products that existing prescriptive fire safety regulation still represents – irrespective of the benefits arising from the Construction Products Directive.

In April of this year the draft report of the Benefeu consortium was discussed at a workshop of fire safety regulators involved in the building construction sector. The report has been finalised on the basis of the comments and feedback received from these regulators.

At this Luxemburg conference the Benefeu report will be presented and the initiatives suggested therein will be discussed. Interested sectors, especially those that will be affected most as a consequence of implementation of those initiatives, will be invited to give their views and opinions of the proposals presented.

The questions and discussion will provide valuable feedback to the Commission.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The conference will be of interest to all those who are involved in the provision of fire safety, to buildings in particular, as well as those who are involved the development of fire safety science and the related engineering. In addition, it will obviously interest those who regulate and enforce, those who design and specify, those who manufacture and install products, i.e:

Regulators
Enforcement authorities
Fire services
Insurers

Designers and Specifiers
Laboratories
Manufacturers and suppliers
Contractors and installers

THE PROGRAMME

The programme is intended to cover, over three half-day sessions:

THE CONTENTS OF THE BENEFEU REPORT

Including:

- An introduction and background to the Benefeu Project
- The prevailing EU regulatory framework
- The state of the art in fire safety engineering
- Proposed EU initiatives for the future
- The benefits and dis-benefits of introducing FSE

REACTION AND OPINIONS TO THE REPORT

Opinions and views will be presented from:

- Fire regulators
- Developers
- Specifiers
- Contractors
- Fire safety practitioners
- Active fire protection industry
- Passive fire protection industry

HOW TO PROGRESS THE INITIATIVES

A predominantly discussion based session, covering:

- Creation of a network for management and co-ordination
- Agreement of a framework for regulation (a model code?)
- Definition of the needs for research and development
- Specification of the needs for standardisation
- Proposals for the organisation of education
- Requirements for the organisation/recognition of the profession

There will be the opportunity for questions and discussions at the end of each session.

The Commission will present its views on how to promote and, if appropriate, support the different initiatives.

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