



LONDON  
2009

**Global challenges  
Sustainable solutions**

# FIDIC 2009 CONFERENCE

## London 13 - 16 September

International Federation of Consulting Engineers  
Association for Consultancy and Engineering



### REGISTRATION AND PROGRAMME



[www.fidic2009.org](http://www.fidic2009.org)



## Delivery Sustainable Solutions to Global Challenges

Today's financial crisis and the ensuing recession we are now experiencing provides the backdrop to other important global issues that need to be addressed without delay, notably climate change, the ever-increasing demand for energy, the need for investment in infrastructure in emerging economies, and mass urbanisation.

To tackle the challenges effectively, the world needs the leadership, experience and creativity of the engineering community. If we can position ourselves to take the lead, mobilise our resources and apply our expertise and knowledge we will be able to deliver sustainable solutions and help lead society away from recession.

FIDIC 2009 London explores the role of engineers in the delivery of sustainable solutions to our global challenges. The aim will be to identify and plan the actions needed to position the consultancy and engineering industry as a leader in providing viable and effective solutions.

The conference takes place in London, one of the world's most remarkable and exciting cities. Truly global, London reaches out to embrace diverse people and cultures. Built on centuries of trade, talent and ideas, it has grown to be well-connected, cosmopolitan and culturally open. The city encompasses the best the world has to offer – cutting edge arts and culture, a world leader in business and commerce, year-round sports and events, cuisine and entertainment.

FIDIC 2009 London starts with a Welcome Reception in the historic Royal Courts of Justice on Sunday evening, 13 September 2009. Her Royal Highness Princess Anne, is the invited guest of honour for the Opening Ceremony on Monday, 14 September, which will be held in the award-winning Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre that is uniquely situated in the shadow of Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and the London Eye.

Under the theme *Industry Challenges and Responses*, the business programme gets underway with leading personalities reviewing the global challenges and the need for action. Speakers include Dee Doocey of the London Assembly, Brian Bruce, who brought about one of South Africa's most dramatic corporate transformations, Keith Clarke (Chief Executive Officer, WS Atkins) and Ian Tyler (Chief Executive, Balfour Beatty) from two leading UK consultancy and engineering groups and Petter Eiken, the Executive Vice-President of Skanska, a leading contracting firm.

Monday afternoon's three parallel business sessions will address the plenary theme in more detail. To encourage participation and discussion, following comments by panelists, the floor will be turned over to the participants. For the Monday local colour night, participants will be able to enjoy a buffet dinner cruise on the Thames on board the spectacular Silver Sturgeon.

Under the theme *Geographic and Sector Hot Spots*, the Tuesday morning's plenary session will examine regions and sectors where there are the best opportunities for our industry to lead. The business sessions that follow will focus on specific regions and sectors needing massive investments in infrastructure.

On Tuesday afternoon, business sessions will explore how to create *A More Agile, Responsive, High Profile Industry* to ensure that engineers take the lead in solving the global challenges. Wednesday morning will focus on the role of FIDIC and its members associations and firms in positioning the engineering community to be at the forefront of delivering sustainable solutions to global challenges. Speakers will review what the industry is currently doing, is planning to do, and should be doing to ensure that engineers will lead the way.

The FIDIC General Assembly Meeting takes place on Wednesday afternoon, and the closing gala banquet in The Great Room of the Grosvenor House Hotel on Park Lane will give an unforgettable taste of what it is like to attend one of the high-profile celebrity events that are held in Europe's largest banqueting venue.

Throughout the conference there is a lively and entertaining series of optional events and tours, and a full programme is offered for accompanying persons.

FIDIC and the local hosts, Association for Consultancy and Engineering, look forward to welcoming you in London for FIDIC 2009.

John Boyd, *FIDIC President*  
Geoff French, *ACE Chair*

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### Young Professionals Activities

FIDIC 2009 Young Professionals Management Training Programme (YPMTP) working sessions  
Friday - Sunday, 11 - 13 Sep.; ROSL

FIDIC Young Professionals Forum Meeting  
Sunday, 13 Sep.: 11.00-12.30; Grosvenor House

Networking Get Together  
Sunday, 13 Sep.: 17.30-19.00

FIDIC Young Professionals Forum  
Monday, 14 Sep.: 16.30-17.30; QE II Conference Centre

Future Leaders Workshop  
Tuesday, 15 Sep.: 17.00-18.00; QE II Conference Centre  
Organised by the FIDIC 2009 YPMTF

Technical Tour  
Tuesday, 15 Sep.: 18.30-23.30

### FIDIC Meetings

FIDIC Member Association Directors & Secretaries Meeting  
Saturday, 12 Sep.: 09.00-17.00; Grosvenor House

FIDIC Member Association officers dinner  
Saturday, 12 Sep.: 19.00-23.00

FIDIC Member Association Presidents Meeting  
Sunday, 13 Sep.: 09.00-12.30; Grosvenor House

FIDIC Young Professionals Forum Meeting  
Monday, 13 Sep.: 16.30-17.30; QE II Conference Centre

FIDIC Regional Groups Reports  
Monday, 14 Sep.: 16.30-17.30; QE II Conference Centre

Future Leaders Workshop  
Tuesday, 15 Sep.: 17.00-18.00; QE II Conference Centre

FIDIC General Assembly Meeting  
Wednesday, 16 Sep.: 16.00-17.30; QE II Conference Centre

FIDIC Regional Groups Board Meetings  
- ASPAC: Asia-Pacific  
- GAMA: Africa  
Consult [www.fidic.org/conference/2009/diary](http://www.fidic.org/conference/2009/diary)

FIDIC Committee and Task Force Meetings  
Consult [www.fidic.org/conference/2009/diary](http://www.fidic.org/conference/2009/diary)

### Future FIDIC Conferences

2010 New Delhi, India (with CEAI); 12 - 15 September  
2011 Tunis, Tunisia (with ANIBEC); 18 - 21 September  
2012 Seoul, Korea (with KENCA); 16 - 19 September



**Participant**

Title (Mr, Mrs, Dr, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 First name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Family name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organisation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position in organisation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Arrival date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Departure date \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax to the Grosvenor House Hotel, or to The Corporate Team**

This booking form is only valid for participants at the FIDIC 2009 London Conference (13 -16 September 2009). The completed form with payment details should be faxed to the Grosvenor House Hotel or to The Corporate Team, for the Crowne Plaza, Strand Palace and all other hotels for which The Corporate Team has block bookings. For information, contact the Grosvenor House Hotel or The Corporate Team. For additional information, contact ACE, Alliance House, 12 Caxton St, London SW1H 0QL, UK (tel: +44-20-72 22 65 57; fax: +44-20-79 90 92 02; consult@acenet.co.uk; www.acenet.co.uk). All rates include 15% VAT and breakfast. To benefit from the conference promotion rates, payment for a one-night deposit must be received by the Grosvenor House Hotel or The Corporate Team not later than the dates given below for each hotel. This deposit will be at the rate confirmed by the Grosvenor House Hotel or The Corporate Team upon making the booking. Subject to availability, this rate will correspond to the conference rates given below and includes taxes. The one-night deposit guarantee is refunded if the booking is cancelled before a date specified for each hotel. Please give full information, one form per participant.

		Persons	GBP	Nights	Amount
<b>Grosvenor House****</b> Main conference hotel Park Lane, London W1K 7TN, UK Tel: +44-20-73 99 81 29; Fax: +44-20-73 99 85 60 eszter.gubis@marriott-hotels.com; www.londongrosvenorhouse.co.uk Quote "FIDIC-ACE". Rates until 3 August 2009. Online Group Code: "ACEACEA"	Single	1	207.00	_____	_____
	Double	2	218.50	_____	_____
<b>Crowne Plaza London - St. James****</b> 2 km from venue 45-51 Buckingham Gate, London, SW1E 6AF, UK Tel: +44-20-78 34 66 55; Fax: +44-20-76 30 75 87 guestassistance@cplonsj.co.uk; www.london.crowneplaza.com Bookings through The Corporate Team, tel: +44-20-75 92 30 65; qeiihotels@corporateteam.com quoting event number "7777ACE". Rates until 24 July 2009.	Double or Twin, Single use	1	229.13	_____	_____
	Double, Twin use	2	240.00	_____	_____
<b>Strand Palace***</b> 1 km from conference venue 372 The Strand, London, WC2R 0JJ, UK Tel: +44-20-73 79 47 37; Fax: +44-20-74 97 41 34 reservations@strandpalacehotel.co.uk; www.strandpalacehotel.co.uk Bookings through The Corporate Team, tel: +44-20-75 92 30 65; qeiihotels@corporateteam.com quoting event number "7777ACE". Rates until 3 August 2009. Two - three nights minimum booking.	Club Single	1	145.00	_____	_____
	Club Double	2	175.00	_____	_____
<b>Total:</b>					_____

**Payment by credit card:** I authorise a one night guarantee to be deducted from this card.

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Visa  AmEx  Eurocard/MasterCard   
 Cardholder name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment by bank draft/bank cheque:** for hotels and The Corporate Team that accept payment by bank transfer, please ask the Grosvenor House or The Corporate Team for bank account information. The amount to be paid will normally be the full amount for the booking.

I will arrange transfer of the following amount (in GBP): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bank draft/bank cheque number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Issuing bank: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment by bank transfer:** for hotels and The Corporate Team that accept payment by bank transfer, please ask the Grosvenor House or The Corporate Team for bank transfer information. The amount to be paid will normally be the full amount for the booking.

I will arrange transfer of the following amount (in GBP): \_\_\_\_\_

The rates are for single occupancy (one person) or double occupancy (two persons in the same room); some hotels can accept a third person in the room for an additional charge. Check-in is generally at 13.00-14.00 and check-out at 12.00. Subject also to availability, the rates will apply for bookings that start and end before and after the dates of the conference (7-16 September 2009). The organisers do not guarantee that the rates given above are the most advantageous available.

The amount corresponding to the deposit guarantee will be debited from the credit card used to reserve the accommodation at a certain time before arrival. This may be at 16.00 on the date of arrival, or in some cases up to two days before arrival. Participants are asked to check with the hotel for the exact cancellation date that applies. If the reservation is cancelled before the cancellation time, any deposit will be refunded. If the deposit is not paid or guaranteed before this time, the reservation will be cancelled. The rate used will be the rate confirmed on making the booking (given by the conference rates listed above).

Settlement at the hotel on departure is normally by cash or credit card. In the event of a no-show, a cancellation fee equivalent to the one-night deposit to guarantee the reservation at the rate confirmed on making the booking is payable if the cancellation is made after a date specified by each hotel.

## Visa Invitation Form

### FIDIC 2009 London

Title (Mr, Mrs, Dr, etc.)	_____
First name	_____
Family name	_____
Home address	_____ _____ _____
Country	_____
Passport number	_____
Date of birth	_____
Contact email	_____
Contact fax number	_____
Contact postal address	_____ _____ _____
Organisation name (if any)	_____
Position (if any)	_____
Intended date of arrival	_____
Intended date of departure	_____
Likely hotel in London	_____

### Conditions and Information

**Venue:** the conference venue is the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre (Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, London SW1P 3EE; tel: +44-20-72 22 50 00; fax: +44-20-77 98 42 00; www.qeicc.co.uk). It is only minutes away from both Victoria and Waterloo mainline stations, with easy access to St. Pancras for connections to Northern France, Brussels and Paris. The Underground links from Westminster and St. James's Park are just a few minutes away, providing direct access to the rest of London. The Opening Ceremony and the conference business programme take place at the Centre; events taking place elsewhere are: Welcome Reception (Royal Courts of Justice); optional Local Colour Night dinner cruise (Silver Sturgeon); Gala Dinner (Grosvenor House Hotel).

**Registration:** online registration with payment by credit card is available until the start of the conference at [www.fidic2009.org](http://www.fidic2009.org); offline registration is available on site. All payments must be settled on seeking access to the conference, or access may be denied. Registration is as follows: Saturday, 12 September (14.00 - 18.00) and Sunday, 13 September (09.00 - 18.00), FIDIC Secretariat, Grosvenor House Hotel; Monday - Wednesday, 14 - 16 September (08.00 - 18.00), FIDIC 2009 Secretariat, QE II Conference Centre. Registration at the reduced "early bird" rate ends on 15 July 2009. Late registration after 5 September 2009 via FIDIC is subject to a 10% service charge. Payment by bank transfer may be accepted, upon request, in special cases. Registrations for the full conference can be exchanged once each day between participants from the same organisation by presenting the registration badge at the FIDIC 2009 Secretariat.

**Events and tours:** bookings and payment for optional events and tours, and for extra tickets to conference events, must be paid in full by 5 September 2009, and for the conference-organised post-conference tours by 24 July 2009. The cut-off dates for hotel reservations, subject to availability, made at the conference rates are listed in the hotel reservation form. Conference badges should be worn at all times during conference events and the business programme and when using conference buses.

**Discounts:** participants aged 35 years or less who work for a member firm of a FIDIC Member Association can register for the full conference with a 33% Young Professionals discount. Proof of age must be sent to FIDIC with the offline registration form or separately for online registration. There is also a discount on the full-conference fee for participants from FIDIC Member Association member firms based in Less Developed Countries (LDC). To obtain the LDC discount, the participant's national Member Association must be asked to notify FIDIC. For online registration, if a discount is applied for, the only method available for payment is "later by credit card": when FIDIC receives the registration it will send an invoice for payment.

**Confirmation:** the organisers will acknowledge the receipt and confirmation of conference registrations by fax or email. Requests for tours and event bookings will be handled on a first come, first served basis. While every effort will be made to keep to the published programme, the organisers reserve the right to change times and venues. Tours and events are based on a minimum of participants and may be either merged with an equivalent tour or cancelled. Tickets for optional events and for events included in the full conference and



**Fax completed form to ACE: +44-20-79 90 92 02**

[www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/doingvisa/visadatvnationals](http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/doingvisa/visadatvnationals) lists the countries whose nationals need visas to enter the UK. UK embassies and offices are also listed on the official UK visa website [www.ukvisas.gov.uk](http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk), that gives visa application forms. Participants and accompanying persons visiting the UK, must submit:

- passport or travel document;
- recent passport-sized (45mm x 35mm), colour photograph;
- non-refundable visa application fee;
- supporting documents, for instance, copies of: completed registration form for the conference; invoice indicating payment of the conference registration fee; official invitation letter from the host association, ACE.

To obtain an invitation letter, please send a completed Visa Invitation Form, one for each participant and accompanying person/s, to ACE, Alliance House, 12 Caxton St, London SW1H 0QL, UK (tel: +44-20-72 22 65 57; fax: +44-20-79 90 92 02; [consult@acenet.co.uk](mailto:consult@acenet.co.uk); [www.acenet.co.uk](http://www.acenet.co.uk)).

ACE will send a copy of a visa invitation letter (printed on ACE letterhead with a handwritten signature) by fax, and a scanned copy by email. So please give your email address, fax number and a postal address for contacts.

Conference participants and accompanying persons are encouraged to apply for visas as soon as possible. Please contact ACE for assistance.

Accompanying Persons Programmes can only be purchased with full conference and one-day registrations. The availability of places for the social programme is not guaranteed.

**Cancellations and registration changes:** partial or full cancellations of registrations received in writing before 15 July 2009 by mail or fax will be refunded less an administration fee (pro rata, based on GBP 100 for a full-conference registration) if payment is also received by this date. Payments and cancellations received between 15 July 2009 and 5 September 2009 will be entitled to a 50% refund. No refunds are available for payments received after 5 September 2009. Refunds will be processed after the conference.

**Hotels:** the main conference hotel is the Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane. Meetings before the conference will be held in 86 Park Lane adjoining the hotel. The nearest Underground stations are Marble Arch and Bond Street and the journey time to the conference venue is 25 minutes (10 minutes walk to Bond Street; then 10 minutes by Underground to Westminster followed by a short walk). Conference rates are also available at two conference hotels, the Crowne Plaza London - St James (a five-minute journey by Underground from the conference venue), and the Strand Palace Hotel (a few minutes walk from the conference venue). There will be bus transfers and shuttle buses from the Grosvenor House and the Crowne Plaza and the conference venue. For the Welcome Reception, buses will be available for the Grosvenor House and the Crowne Plaza and for the Gala Dinner, buses will be available for the Crowne Plaza and the Strand Palace. Buses for optional tours will leave from the QE II Conference Centre, and post-conference tours from the Grosvenor House.

**Hotel accommodation:** for the five-star Grosvenor House Hotel, the main conference hotel, there are special conference rates for 9 - 17 September 2009. Reservations can be made online (use Group Code "ACEACEA") or by contacting Eszter Gubis ([eszter.gubis@marriott-hotels.com](mailto:eszter.gubis@marriott-hotels.com); tel +44-20-73 99 81 29; fax +44-20-73 99 85 60, quoting "FIDIC-ACE"). For bookings that include other dates, it is necessary to make multiple online bookings, or contact the hotel. Bookings are guaranteed by a one-night deposit by credit card or by bank transfer. For reservations at the four-star Crowne Plaza and the three-star Strand Palace, contact the hotel or book through The Corporate Team (tel: +44-20-75 92 30 65; [qeiihotels@corporateteam.com](mailto:qeiihotels@corporateteam.com)); quote event number "7777ACE"). Reservations through The Corporate Team must

be guaranteed by credit card (card details are passed on to the hotel). Payment can be by cheque, bank draft or bank transfer (contact The Corporate Team). Participants should check with the hotel for the cancellation time, date and conditions that apply. For all hotels, settlement at the hotel on departure is by cash or credit card. For a no-show, payable is a cancellation fee equivalent to the one-night deposit to guarantee the reservation at the rate confirmed on making the booking.

**Climate and clothing:** the conference is held at the end of the northern summer with temperatures of 8 - 20 °C. Participants should have warm clothing for evening events. Formal dress is not required for the conference business programme. For excursions and tours, casual wear is advised, and for the Gala Dinner, evening dress is preferable. Generally be prepared for rain.

**Language:** the official language in the UK is English.

**Internet facilities and message board:** Internet facilities will be available at the conference venue on 14 - 16 September 2009. Participants should check the message board outside the FIDIC 2009 Secretariat to receive and post messages.

**Currency exchange:** the legal tender in the UK is Pound sterling (GBP). Bank notes are available in denominations of £5, £10, £20 and £50, and coins in denominations of £2, £1, 50p, 20p, 10p, 5p, 2p and 1p. £1.00 = USD 1.65 = EUR 1.15, approximately. Travellers' cheques are usually accepted in large hotels, some restaurants and major stores. Otherwise, they must be cashed at an exchange office or bank. Foreign currency can be exchanged at exchange offices, banks, hotels and major department stores (always check the exchange rate as it varies greatly). Banks usually offer the best rate of exchange. Airports and major train stations also provide exchange services and automatic teller machines for cash withdrawals.

**Credit cards:** major credit cards are accepted everywhere, notably Visa, MasterCard and American Express.

**Banking:** official banking hours are 09.30 - 15.30, but most banks open until about 17.00.

**Shopping:** high-street shops are usually open 09.30 - 18.30, Monday - Saturday, with larger department stores open at 11.00 - 17.00 on Sunday. Large shopping centres may stay open later. Late-night shopping is available on Thursdays. Tax-free shopping is available at major UK airports.

**Airports:** London has five airports each with various combinations of train, Underground and bus services to central London.

**Travel to London:** London can be reached by air from virtually every major city. There are also high-speed Eurostar trains from continental Europe, numerous ferry crossings and a Channel Tunnel for those wishing to come by car from continental Europe.

**Public transport:** the Underground system, buses and taxis are the main modes of transport in London. Participants and Accompanying Persons will each receive an Oyster "pay as you go" card that can be used

on buses, the Underground, trams, the Docklands Light Railway, London Overground, and some National Rail services. Licensed taxis ("black cabs") can be hailed in the street or at designated ranks. Licensed private hire services (including minicabs) are a cheaper alternative to black cabs. They carry a distinctive TfL licence disc and must be booked through a licensed operator.

**Driving in the UK:** the minimum age for driving a car is 17 years, and drivers must have a valid, full national license or an International Driving Permit issued abroad. A visitor can drive for up to 12 months from the date of arrival provided the license or permit remains valid. Seat belts must be worn; drivers can be required by the police to provide a breath test. To rent a car, one must be at least 21 years old and have held a license for 12 months. Drivers under the age of 25 may incur a young driver surcharge; some car hire firms have a maximum age limit of 69 years old.

**VAT:** there is a 15% Value Added tax on many goods and services in the UK (but not for public transport, coach travel, air travel and taxi fares). Refunds on expenses incurred in the course of attending FIDIC 2009 London may be possible. Business persons based in the European Community need to complete a VAT65 form issued by the UK's HM Customs and Excise; VAT65A form is for a business person not established in the EC.

**Tipping:** most hotels and some restaurants include a service charge (usually about 10%). If it is not included a 10% tip is acceptable. Porterage: £1 per suitcase; taxis and hairdressers: 10%.

**Power supply:** UK power supply is 230/240 volts. Sockets accept only three-(square)-pin plugs, so an adapter is needed for continental European and US appliances.

**Telephones and postal services:** some payphones take coins from 10p and larger, and some accept Euro coins. However, most only use phonecards that can be purchased at many shops. Country calling cards and major credit/debit cards can also be used from most payphones. Most dual- and tri-band mobile phones with GSM 900 or 1800 will work via roaming. A UK prepaid mobile phone with a phone number and a SIM card costs approximately £30 in many high street shops. The emergency telephone number is 999 or 112.

**Disclaimer and insurance:** the organisers are not responsible for personal expenses incurred or loss suffered by a conference participant in connection with the event, and are not responsible for mishaps. Participants should make their own insurance arrangements, by taking out whichever insurance they consider necessary. For all events during the conference, the registration fees do not include provision for the insurance of participants against personal accidents, sickness, theft or property damages.

**Passport, visas and health:** for visas, see the Visa Invitation Form above. Foreign travellers are advised to cover their own

## Accompanying Persons Events

Accompanying persons will be able to enjoy a wide range of attractions in London that testify to the city's remarkable and historic cultural heritage. All tours will leave from the conference venue, the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, ("QE II Centre") except for Monday's Mid-Day Tour (London Eye) and the Tuesday evening tours where participants meet at the attraction.

Sunday  
13 September 2009

Afternoon Tour  
Welcome Reception



Panoramic Coach Tour of London  
Royal Courts of Justice

Monday  
14 September

Opening Ceremony  
Morning Tour  
Three-Quarter Day Tour  
Afternoon Tour  
Local Colour Night



QE II Conference Centre (in AP Programme)  
London Eye  
Windsor Castle  
Buckingham Palace  
Dinner Cruise

Tuesday  
15 September

Day Tour  
Three-Quarter Day Tour  
Afternoon Tour  
Evening Walking Tour  
Evening Tour



Oxford  
Windsor Castle  
Buckingham Palace  
Jack the Ripper Walk  
London Eye

Wednesday  
16 September

Morning Tour  
Gala Dinner



City of London  
Grosvenor House (incl. in AP Programme)

## Conference Venue

FIDIC 2009 London takes place at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, London SW1P 3EE. Uniquely situated in the shadow of Big Ben, Westminster Abbey and the London Eye, the fully air-conditioned centre offers the finest facilities that combine modern comfort with the latest in technology.

**Westminster Underground Station** on the Jubilee, Circle and District Lines (five minutes walk): exit the station via the underground tunnel towards Parliament Square (Exit 6) to reach the street level on Whitehall. Turn left into Parliament Square, cross the road and then turn right into Broad Sanctuary. The Centre is located on the right, directly opposite Westminster Abbey.

**St James's Park Underground Station** on the Circle and District Lines (five minutes walk): take the Broadway exit from the station and walk straight down Tothill Street. At the end of the street, turn left; the Centre is in front.

medical expenses by taking out an insurance policy prior to departure. Visitors to the UK who fall ill are eligible for free emergency treatment in the accident and emergency departments of National Health Service hospitals. Payment is required if admitted to hospital. No appointment is needed for walk-in medicentres that can issue prescriptions.

**Special meals:** conference lunches and coffee break items will not contain pork or lard; vegetarian food will also be served. For dietary requirements for the optional tours and events that include meals, contact during the conference the FIDIC 2009 London Conference Secretariat, Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, London SW1P 3EE; tel: +44-20-72 22 50 00; fax: +44-20-79 90 92 02

# Registration Form

FIDIC 2009 London



## Participant

Title (Mr, Mrs, Dr, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Given name (for badge) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Family name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organisation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position in organisation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dietary requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Fax to FIDIC: +41 22 799 49 01

Prices, in GBP and not including 15% Value Added Tax, are for bookings at the early and normal rates before and after 15 July 2009, respectively. Please add 10% to all prices for registrations after 5 September 2009. Registrations are accepted up to and during the conference. Full-conference registrations can be shared between participants coming from the same organisation. Bookings for optional events, tours and extra tickets are only accepted if they accompany a full conference or one-day registration (payment must be by 5 September 2009). Payment for full and one-day registrations can be settled up until the conference. Payment is by credit card. Payment by bank transfer will only be accepted for exceptional cases (please contact FIDIC).

### Discount (discounts are not cumulative)

Please indicate if a discount sought, and send form to FIDIC.

Young Professionals 33% discount 35 years of age or less; proof required   
 LDC discount   
 Official delegates of qualifying Member Associations

## Accompanying Person/s

Welcome Reception, Opening Ceremony, Gala Dinner

Title, given & family names \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title, given & family names \_\_\_\_\_

## Conference Registration

Full conference Welcome Reception, Opening Ceremony, Gala Dinner, business programme, refreshments, lunches  
 OR One-day registrations Business programme, refreshments, lunch (exclude events)  
 Monday, 14 September  
 Tuesday, 15 September  
 Wednesday, 16 September

Price, GBP	Number	GBP
190/220	1	_____
190/220	1	_____
1000/1200	1	_____
420	1	_____
420	1	_____
420	1	_____

## Tours and Events

Sunday 13 Sep.	Afternoon City Tour	London	18	_____	_____	
	Welcome Reception Extra Ticket	Royal Courts of Justice	70	_____	_____	
Monday 14 Sep.	Opening Ceremony Extra Ticket	QE II Conference Centre	10	_____	_____	
	Mid-Day Tour	London Eye	28	_____	_____	
	Three-Quarter Day Tour	Runnymede & Windsor Castle	44	_____	_____	
	Afternoon Tour	Buckingham Palace	40	_____	_____	
	Local Colour Night	Dinner Cruise	80	_____	_____	
Tuesday 15 Sep.	Day Tour	Oxford	50	_____	_____	
	Three-Quarter Day Tour	Runnymede & Windsor Castle	44	_____	_____	
	Afternoon Tour	Buckingham Palace	40	_____	_____	
	Evening Walking Tour	Jack the Ripper Walk	20	_____	_____	
Wednesday 16 Sep.	Evening Tour	London Eye	28	_____	_____	
	Morning Tour	City of London	34	_____	_____	
	Gala Dinner Extra Ticket	Grosvenor House	100	_____	_____	
Thu. - Sun. 17 - 20 Sep.	Heart of England	Per person in a double room	370	_____	_____	
	4 days / 3 nights; ends London	Per person in a single room	420	_____	_____	
	Thu. - Sun. 17 - 20 Sep.	Scottish Experience	Per person in a double room	470	_____	_____
		4 days / 3 nights; ends London	Per person in a single room	520	_____	_____

Sub-Total: \_\_\_\_\_  
 VAT (15%): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total: \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment by Credit Card (payment generally by credit card in GBP)

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Delivering Sustainable Solutions to Global Challenges

Today's financial crisis and the ensuing recession provide the backdrop to the urgent global issues that will be addressed at the FIDIC 2009 London Conference.

Climate change, an ever increasing energy demand, the need for infrastructure investment in emerging economies and mass urbanisation must all be tackled without delay.

To do this effectively the world needs the leadership, experience and creativity of the consultancy and engineering industry. By taking the lead, mobilising resources and applying its expertise and knowledge, the industry will be able to deliver sustainable solutions, and help lead the world away from recession.

FIDIC 2009 London recognises that infrastructure development will be one of the 21st century's main challenges. Rapid urbanisation and income growth will increase dramatically the demand for infrastructure services such as telecommunications, power and mass transport.

Not for the first time the world needs consulting and engineering expertise to deliver sustainable solutions to global challenges. The consultancy and engineering industry must lead a world-wide collaborative effort to devise and implement strategies for a sustainable world, and to successfully deliver increasingly complex engineering solutions.

In general, society has not prepared itself to meet the challenges, and whatever the limitations to the industry's capacity to respond, they can be overcome.

The conference's overarching goal will be to allocate key actions that are needed to position the industry as a leader, and to prepare a plan of action.

## Global Challenges - Sustainable Solutions

Sunday 13 September 2009

- 12.00 – 17.00 Registration, Grosvenor House Hotel
- 13.30 – 16.30 Optional City Tour, leaves from Grosvenor House Hotel
- 19.30 – 21.30 Welcome Reception, Royal Courts HRH Prince Charles (video presentation)

Monday 14 September 2009

Coffee: 10.30 - 11.00 & 15.30 - 16.00; Lunch: 12.30 - 14.00

### Industry Challenges & Responses

09.00 – 10.30 Opening Ceremony  
QE II Conference Centre

Guest of Honour: HRH Princess Anne (to be confirmed)  
Dee Doocey, *Member; Chair, Economic Development, Culture, Sports & Tourism Committee, London Assembly*

11.00 – 12.30 Plenary Session, QE II Conference Centre  
**Opinion Leaders**

Leading experts will analyse social, economic and environmental issues, with a moderated session to further explore the main aspects, notably the consulting engineering industry's awareness of society's needs and how it can respond to today's major challenges.

John Boyd, *Golder Associates, Canada* (chair)  
Brian Bruce, *Murray & Roberts, South Africa*  
Keith Clarke, *WS Atkins, UK*  
Petter Eiken, *Skanska, Norway*  
Ian Tyler, *Balfour Beatty, UK*

14.00 – 15.30 Business Sessions, QE II Conference Centre  
- Global Challenges and Responses  
- Mobilising Engineering Resources  
- Funding Infrastructure

16.00 – 16.30 Wrap-Up Session, QE II Conference Centre

16.30 – 17.30 Seminars, QE II Conference Centre  
- Regional Reports  
- Young Professionals Forum  
- BST Seminar

18.30 – 21.30 Evening Dinner Cruise

Tuesday 15 September 2009

Coffee: 10.30 - 11.00 & 15.30 - 16.00; Lunch: 12.30 - 14.00

### Geographic and Sector Hot Spots

09.00 – 10.30 Plenary Session, QE II Conference Centre  
**Clients' Views**

Prominent regional clients, politicians and sector specialists examine the regions and sectors where the challenges and growth will be greatest, and where there are the best opportunities for consultants and engineers to lead.

Geoff French, *Scott Wilson, UK* (chair)  
John Armitt, *ODA, UK*  
Chris Cole, *WSP, South Africa*  
Shirong Li, *COFTEC, China*  
A.P. Mull, *Tata Group, India*  
Doug Oakervee, *Crossrail, UK*

11.00 – 12.30 Business Sessions, QE II Conference Centre  
- Regional and Country Hot Spots  
- Sector Hot Spots  
- Localised Mega Projects



### Conference Theme

FIDIC 2009 London responds to a call for action by exploring the role of consultants and engineers in the delivery of sustainable solutions to global challenges.

The aim will be to identify the actions needed to position the consultancy and engineering industry to take the lead, and to prepare a plan of action.

### Sub-Themes

Industry Challenges and Responses  
Geographic and Sector Hot Spots  
A More Agile, Responsive, High-Profile Industry

### A More Agile, Responsive, High-Profile Industry

Tuesday 15 September 2009

Business sessions will explore key areas for improvement if consultants and engineers are to raise the industry profile and ensure that engineers take the lead in solving global challenges. Sessions will examine ways to promote the consultancy and engineering industry and to strengthen skills and standards to be able to meet future challenges.

14.00 – 15.30 Business Sessions, QE II Conference Centre  
- A Place at the Political Table  
- Promoting Skills and Raising Standards  
- A Coordinated, Unified Approach

16.00 – 17.00 Wrap-Up Session, QE II Conference Centre

17.00 – 18.00 Future Leaders Workshop  
QE II Conference Centre

Wednesday 16 September 2009

Coffee: 10.30 - 11.00 & 15.30 - 16.00; Lunch: 12.30 - 14.00

09.00 – 10.30 Plenary Session, QE II Conference Centre  
**Industry Perspective**

The roles FIDIC, its Member Associations and member organisations should play to position the consultancy and engineering industry at the forefront of delivering sustainable solutions to global challenges.

Gregs Thomopoulos, *Stanley Consultants, USA* (chair)  
Chris Cole, *WSP, UK*  
John Dionisio, *AECOM, USA*  
Flemming Pederson, *Ramboll, Denmark*  
Paul J. Zofnass, *EFCG, USA*

11.00 – 12.30 Action Seminars, QE II Conference Centre  
- FIDIC  
- Member Associations  
- Member Organisations

### Wednesday 16 September 2009 – The Action Plan

As a final conference report, session chair, reporters and senior industry representatives will capture the key outcomes of the conference in formulating a plan of action that summarises policies, tools, the responsibility for implementation, timeframes, milestones, and reporting.

14.00 – 15.30 Plenary Session, QE II Conference Centre  
Gregs Thomopoulos, *FIDIC President-Elect*

16.00 – 17.30 FIDIC General Assembly Meeting  
QE II Conference Centre

19.30 – 24.30 Gala Dinner, Grosvenor House Hotel





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## Delivering Sustainable Solutions to Global Challenges

The FIDIC 2009 London Conference – the consulting engineering industry's premier networking event – takes place in London, one of the world's most remarkable and exciting cities. Truly global, London reaches out to embrace diverse people and cultures. Built on centuries of trade, talent and ideas, it has grown to be well-connected, cosmopolitan and culturally open.

Today's financial crisis provides the backdrop to other important global issues that will be addressed during the conference. To tackle the challenges effectively, the world needs the leadership, experience and creativity of the consulting and engineering community. If the industry positions itself to take the lead and mobilises resources it can deliver solutions to global challenges while helping to lead society away from recession.

With *Delivering sustainable solutions to global challenges* as a central theme and vision for the industry, and the overarching goal to allocate key actions to the main parties represented at the conference, the priority will be to identify the actions needed to position the industry as a leader, and to prepare a plan of action.

### Venue

The FIDIC 2009 London Conference takes place in the award-winning Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre in Westminster at the very heart of London. Uniquely situated in the shadow of the Houses of Parliament, Big Ben, Westminster Abbey and the London Eye, this premier class, purpose-built, fully air-conditioned conference venue combines the finest facilities with modern comfort and the very latest in technology. It is also one of the UK's most "intelligent" buildings.

London is famous for a wealth of history and culture. Home to Britain's national art collections, the Royal Family and a host of major attractions, the capital's rich history, striking architecture and over 200 museums offer a unique cultural experience. Despite a population of over seven million, more than 30 percent of London is made up of parks and green space – greater than any other city of its size in the world. This space provides the perfect opportunity for walks, relaxation or sporting activities. London also offers some of the best shopping opportunities in the world. From major department stores to designer boutiques and street markets – the choice is immense. As if that was not enough, London is hard to beat when it comes to nightlife. There are huge numbers of restaurants, pubs, cinemas, theatres and nightclubs plus live music and comedy venues.

### Hotels and Transport

The main conference hotel is the historic five-star Grosvenor House Hotel, a JW Marriott Hotel, on Park Lane in Mayfair just minutes away from museums, magnificent department stores and London's West End theatres. Pre-conference meetings are held in the Grosvenor House and the optional post-conference tours leave from the hotel. The other two main conference hotels offering preferential rates are the four-star Crowne Plaza London-St. James and the three-star Strand Palace, both within easy walking distance of the conference venue. Indeed, London is a very accessible: it has five international airports, an efficient road network and extensive Underground, train, bus, and taxi services, so the conference venue and the conference hotels can be reached easily by public transport.



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