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Bulgarian Construction Chamber (BCC)

BCC is the biggest employers' organization of 1800 companies, mainly SMEs, covering all areas of the Bulgarian Construction sector. The member companies employ personnel close to 100.000, and represent about 65 % of the total national construction output. Our mission is to ensure that members' interests are taken care of and to promote the sector's industrial policy interest, by means of Social dialogue - collective agreement, minimal social contributions thresholds, drafting of legislation concerned, priority supporting VET system development, national legal framework, EQF, lists of Construction professions, partners network of sectoral training institutions: 28 vocational schools, universities, 100 VET centres;, position papers on regulations etc.

As a member of FIEC (European Construction Industry Federation), BCC is involved in life long learning, EQF activities, addressing the skills shortages and the challenges of changing work practices in the industry. The network of our 30 branches, operating on local level, and joint established with the Trade Union Construction Training Center, provide an extensive range of industry specific training services.

BCC's main activities are:

- To establish and maintain a Central Register of Professional Builders, in which the Bulgarian and foreign natural and legal persons shall be liable for entry
- To take part in drafting strategies, analyses and programmes for the development of the construction industry and shall assist in their implementation
- To issue standpoints and take part in the drafting of legislation in the field of construction
- To assist in the development of branch standards for health and safe work conditions
- To develop a code of professional ethics
- To participate in the tripartite collaboration on a branch and national level and shall be a party to the branch collective labour contract
- To maintain contacts and shall effect consultations with the competent state, regional and municipal bodies and organizations related to construction activity in the interest of its members
- To attest Bulgarian construction companies for the execution of work in the Federal Republic of Germany
- To organize an information database, issue an weekly Newspaper 'Builder', and specialized literature
- To take part in the development and effectuation of regional, national and international projects, operative EU programs, European Social Fund, etc.
- To contribute to the facilitation of the conditions and order for the receipt of bank guarantees and credits by its members for their participation in tenders
- To effect an annual TOP 50+ Award for best production practice of construction companies.