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TO FIDIC MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

Ladies and Gentlemen,

this year FIDIC will be visiting the major Multi-lateral Development Banks during mid-October and early November, with visits planned to the EBRD (6 October 2010), the World Bank (25 October 2010), the Inter-American Development Bank (26 October 2010), and the Asian Development Bank (8 November 2010). A visit to the African Development Bank has been postponed until early-2011

This year FIDIC is interested in learning more about how global challenges are impacting on the banks' investment strategies in borrowing countries. Ultimately, their responses will lead into procurement policies and practices. The indicators initially developed by the UNCSD (which refer to Agenda 21), and adopted by FIDIC in its Project Sustainability Management guidelines, still provide a valuable tool for both lenders and borrowers. FIDIC is keen to learn more about the connections between these various elements.

In holding discussions on policies and strategic issues, FIDIC will raise the profile of consulting engineers, explaining how FIDIC Member Associations can add value to the debate on investment strategies and project selection, particularly for infrastructure, as outlined in the FIDIC State of the World report, published in 2009. Topics will include:

- Climate change
- Infrastructure financing and PPPs
- Millennium Development Goals
- Capacity Development
- Integrity policies and anti-corruption measures
- Sustainability policies
- Procurement harmonisation
- Consultant selection procedures

If there are specific issues which you would like FIDIC to raise with one or more of the banks, please contact me with details before the **22 October 2010**.

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