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17TH SEPTEMBER 2010 : SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The third round of the competition for joint academic/industry feasibility studies and for 10 days free academic consultancy will close on 17th September 2010. Please see information on how to apply by accessing the links to Feasibility Studies and Academic consultancy at www.cicstart.org

FORTHCOMING SEMINARS AND WEBINARS

Following the completion of feasibility studies and academic consultancies undertaken from February to July or August 2010, we will organise a series of seminars to enable the innovators to present the outcomes of academic/industry collaboration.

Seminars will be filmed and also provided online as interactive webinars. After the event, edited webcasts of the seminar will be published at www.cicstart.org for those who could not attend the at the time.

BUILD WITH CARE

Build with CaRe is hosted a conference in conjunction with Robert Gordon University to discuss the planning and policy issues related to supporting the implementation of energy efficiency practices in buildings. The conference focused on European policy and how this translates into both UK and local legislation, whilst also looking at the policy issues in other EU countries such as Germany, Sweden and France.

The conference was organised and chaired by Dr. Mohamed Abdel-Wahab and Dr. David Moore, of the Scott Sutherland School of Architecture and Built Environment and included an overview of the 'Build with CaRe' project. The day was divided into two broad themes: 'planning and policy issues' and 'policy in practice'. More information at www.buildwithcare.net

The conference was recorded by CIC Start Online, and the webcasts are available at <http://www.cicstart.org/content/buildwithcare/230,213/>

FREE ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE

Academics of the seven universities who are partners in the CIC Start Online projects offer free assistance and advice (up to five days) on sustainable building design and refurbishment to Scottish small to medium size businesses operating in the construction sector.

Requests for assistance can be submitted online at www.cicstart.org, by email to Branka@cicstart.org or by telephone on 0141 273 1408

ETP STUDENTSHIP OPPORTUNITY - HERIOT WATT UNIVERSITY

Dr Gillian Menzies, Lecturer in Environment and Climate Change in Heriot-Watt University's School of the Built Environment, is seeking an industrial partner in the construction sector to participate in a possible Energy Technology Partnership 3.5 year PhD studentship. The next round of applications for these studentships is September 3, 2010.

These are 3.5-year energy-related PhD studentships. Areas of focus include: Wind energy; Marine energy; Bio-energy; Solar energy; Energy conversion and storage; Energy materials; Power systems and networks; Built environment and demand side management; Carbon Capture and Storage

Dr. Menzies' proposal ("Zero Carbon Homes") involves:

- Building a Carbon Inventory of all stages of a dwelling lifecycle (cradle to grave carbon analysis);
- Simulating and measuring energy consumption and carbon emissions in dwellings: comparison of anticipated and actual energy/carbon outcome;
- Examining the effect of build quality and craftsmanship on dwelling energy/carbon outcome;

- Analysing the potential for low and zero carbon technology uptake: outcome in terms of carbon investment value.

A company partner would be expected to provide 1/3 of the funding, equivalent to £7500 / year.

More information can be found in the PDFs [here](#) and [here](#), including the benefits of this research to construction sector partners. Interested parties can contact Gillian directly at G.F.Menzies@hw.ac.uk, or through Dr. Andy Liken, Business Development Manager – Energy, at andy.liken@pet.hw.ac.uk

CIC Start Online is led by Glasgow Caledonian University in collaboration with Edinburgh Napier University, The Glasgow School of Art, Heriot Watt University, The Robert Gordon University, University of Edinburgh and University of Strathclyde Glasgow .



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