

# CIAT EUROPE CENTRE NEWSLETTER

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## FIRST BUSINESS MEETING FOR EUROPE CENTRE

**18<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018  
@ 13:00 CET**

This Business Meeting will focus on the following two very important topics:

1. Re-election of the Centre Committee
2. The AGM 2018 to be held in Denmark.

A formal notice has already been emailed to all Members of the Centre.

If you would like to join the meeting please use the following link:

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

**<https://zoom.us/j/330706280>**

You will then be prompted to download Zoom.

**Please reserve the date in your diaries!**

## ONWARD AND UPWARD!

The Centre continues to grow and we now have more members than ever, an enthusiastic aspirATion group and forthcoming AGM is in the final stages of being organised.

## CIAT VISIT TO VIA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DENMARK 15 MARCH 2018

A delegation from CIAT traveled to Denmark to meet the VIA University College to discuss and develop the AGM 2018. Although Francesca Berriman had to pull out at the last moment, Rochae Cook-Anderson, Adam Endacott, Donna Chappell and Joanne Roland had a very positive visit meeting with VIA and were all made most welcome Paula Bleanch and the aspirATion group were also involved with regards to finalising details for the Centre's event on the Friday evening before the AGM.

It is planned to use the AGM as an opportunity to not only showcase some of the VIA students work but to also have presentations from building professionals from VIA, Denmark and the UK to promote the international profile of CIAT.

The final details are still to be confirmed but it is all coming together for what is hoped to be an exciting and engaging AGM.

## RE-ELECTION OF EUROPE CENTRE COMMITTEE

The Europe Centre will hold its very first **Business Meeting on 18 April 2018** with the key purpose of the re-election of the Centre Committee

Elections for the Centre Committee are held every two years and elections for the role of Centre Councillor take place every three years, so we have combined these into one event.

We currently only have a Chairman and a Councillor and now that the Centre is beginning to grow and expand we really need more members to join the Committee to ensure that the Centre continues to grow and expand. It is *your* chance to have a say in how *your* Centre and Committee evolves.

If you wish to attend or have any questions then please contact:  
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## **THE EUROPE CENTRE - STRENGTH IN NUMBERS.**

The Europe Centre continues to grow and from the latest membership statistics we now have 117 members! This is in itself a great achievement but what is more important is that the number of members over the last year has continued to rise rather than the usual seasonal drop in the Autumn.

This is excellent news indeed as it means that we as a Centre, continue to grow and we now have two votes to cast at the AGM. This is all down to the aspirATion group at the Aarhus campus of VIA University College in Denmark and the committee would like to thank Kristiana, Martina and all those involved with the group for their commitment and sheer hard work with building up the membership of the Centre.

To give you all an idea of what the aspirATion Group Aarhus is all about, the next few items are dedicated to the goals and aspirations currently set by the Group and the type of events they have already organised this year.

## **WHAT IS THE ASPIATION GROUP AARHUS?**

The group has been formed with the purpose of becoming the hub for the purposes of networking, forums, discussions, and events for the CIAT Europe Centre

### **What the CIAT AspirATion- Aarhus Centre is trying to achieve:**

- Promoting Architectural Technology & Construction Management (ATCM) as a profession.
- Promoting CIAT as an organization.
- Bring the UK and Danish ATCM professionals closer together.
- Promote the Danish education system within the UK (and global) employment market.
- Implement ATCM education with seminars and workshops that they either organise ourselves or attend.
- Create a strong student network within VIA.
- Give students opportunities to polish their organizational, social and management skills.
- Help students with finding international and regional internships by organizing events with companies that are interested in collaborating.

New LinkedIn Page: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/18550510/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/CIATEUGroup/>

## **ASPIATION GROUP AARHUS TEAM BUILDING EVENT**

On Thursday 22nd March, the aspirATion Group Aarhus had its first social event of the year. Members were invited for an evening of socializing and fun at the Aarhus bowling hall. It was a successful event with 15 members participating in the end and a great time was had by all. The Group is already looking forward to its next social event.

## ASPIATION GROUP AARHUS VISIT TO AWARD WINNING ARCHITECTS

The Group arranged for 50 students to visit the the Aarhus office of the award winning architects practice Schmidt Hammer Lassen (SHL) for a guided tour and to talk to them about being an ATCM professional.

The purpose of the tour was to help the students fill the gap between education and working in a company by giving them a chance to visit a successful architects practice and to hear about the problems they will run into when they enter the construction industry as an intern or a just graduated ATCM.

The students were given a guided tour of the office and an opportunity to see some of the projects that SHL are currently working on and the BIM software they were using. The tour closed with a presentation about SHL, what it was like to work for SHL, what SHL expected from interns that work for them and conversely what interns should expect from SHL in return.

The students thoroughly enjoyed their time at SHL and it proved to be a very successful event.

You can find out about SHL and the projects they get involved with by visiting their web site using the link below:

Schmidt Hammer Lassen(SHL): <http://www.shl.dk/>



*Aarhus office of Schmidt Hammer Lassen.*

The committee would like to thank Søren Hansen for information about the aspirATion group for this Newsletter.

## THE EUROPE CENTRE - COLLABORATION WITH VIA DENMARK STUDENT MAGAZINE.

Following the recent developments with the aspirATion group in association with VIA Denmark, it is hoped to produce articles in future newsletters in co-operation with the VIA Denmark student magazine. This will hopefully provide valuable opportunities for both of us to exchange knowledge, news and events to inform our Members and promote CIAT to potential new members. We are looking forward to the opportunities that this association may bring.

## THE EUROPE CENTRE - WHO, WHERE AND WHAT.

The last issue of the Newsletter included the first of the "Spotlight" feature supplements. The first supplement on Slovakia was written by Barry Reynolds and we are pleased to include a second "Spotlight" article with this Newsletter.

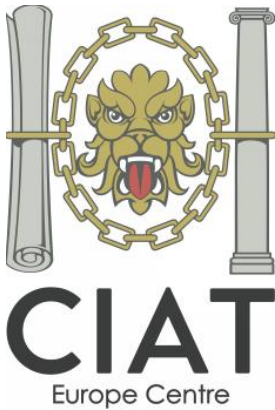
This time the "Spotlight" feature is on **Gibraltar** and has been written by **Darren Vickers**.

Darren is a Technician and Associate at GCArchitects in Gibraltar Through his "spotlight" article, Barry gives valuable insight into the role of Architectural Technologists and the building techniques used in Gibraltar.

We hope you enjoy reading the article and please forward your feedback.

### **Would you like to be featured in future issues?**

What ever your grade of membership, it would be great for other members in the Centre to hear about you and what you get involved with. If you would like to be featured in future Newsletters then please contact any of the Committee.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CIAT AGM 2018 - VIA UNIVERSITII COLLEGE, AARHUS DENMARK

**Details & Dates to be advised.**

Do you have any future events that you would like other members to know about?

If you would like to have a future event to be featured in the next Newsletter then please contact anyone on the Committee with details.

## EUROPE CENTRE COMMITTEE CHANGES

Since the last edition of the Newsletter there have been a few changes within the committee and aspirATion group.

Unfortunately **Kristiana Sola** has had to hand over her role as Chairman for the aspirATion group due to family commitments. The Committee would like to thank Kristiana for the valuable ground work she did in setting up the aspirATion group and we wish her every success for the future.

Kristiana's colleague, **Martina Markulin** has taken over as aspirATion group Chairman and is taking Kristiana's great efforts forward to develop the aspirATion group into a vibrant and enthusiastic group. The group has also been very much involved with the preparations for the forthcoming AGM. We would like to thank Martina for the excellent work she is doing with building the group and look forward to supporting her over the coming months.

**Martin Nielsen** has had to step down from the committee due to family and teaching commitments but he will still be involved with the organising of the AGM in November. We would like to thank Martin for all his support and commitment to helping the Europe Centre "get off the ground" and his significant contribution towards the winning bid for the AGM.

## SITUATIONS VACANT

With the recent changes, the Europe Centre Committee now consists of only three members and we desperately need more members.

Are you interested in taking on any of the following roles?

**Secretary**  
**Treasurer**  
**Education Officer**  
**CPD Officer**  
**Committee Member**

If you are interested in taking one of the roles or just want to find out more then please contact any of the Committee members listed below.

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## EUROPE CENTRE COMMITTEE

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None