



The UK Modern Slavery Act and Promoting Worker Welfare

Briefing and discussion for the engineering and construction industry

Friday 1st July 9.00am – 12.30pm

at the offices of AECOM, MidCity Place, 71 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6QS

The UK Modern Slavery Act passed into law on 26th March 2015. The Act prompted those working in many industry sectors to re-evaluate their business models and working practices. Progressive companies understand that protecting rights not only protects their workforces but also protects their business.

A number of engineering and construction businesses, along with professional bodies and trade associations representing the sector have been at the forefront of efforts to understand, educate and engage the wider industry with issues such as forced labour, trafficking and the exploitation of casual and migrant workers

The Chartered Institute of Building, The Building Research Establishment, Constructing Excellence and the Institute for Human Rights and Business are co-hosting a roundtable event to provide an opportunity for representatives from the engineering / construction sector to discuss the challenges they face in promoting and safeguarding workers rights within the industry.

9.00-9.30	Registration and Networking
9.30	Don Ward: Constructing Excellence - <i>Introduction</i>
9.45	Modern Slavery Video – <i>Stronger Together</i>
10.00	Neill Wilkins: IHRB - <i>Forced Labour, Trafficking and the UK Modern Slavery Act</i>
10.15	Eddie Tuttle: CIOB - <i>Slavery Report and Toolkit</i>
10.30	Coffee
10.50	Nigel McKay: BRE - <i>Ethical Labour Standard</i>
11.05	William Rook: IHRB - <i>Developments in the Gulf</i>
11.15	<i>General Discussion - Facilitated by IHRB</i>
12.15	Don Ward – <i>Conclusions and next steps</i>
12.30	<i>Close</i>

The roundtable is open to representatives from the engineering and construction industry and associated sectors. Space is limited and pre-registration to attend is required. For more details or to register attendance, please contact Deborah Hynes at Deborah.Hynes@constructingexcellence.org.uk.