



Editorial

Knowledge building and disseminating

In order to keep its members, partners and correspondents around the world well-informed, ISTED is developing some tools to build knowledge and disseminate the updated information related to cities, transports and infrastructures' sectors.

Those information are available on the web site of the Institute (www.isted.com) that includes also all the report and news-letters such as the bulletin *Villes en développement* within a specialised database (www.almwla.org), or on sites devoted to training in the roads sector (www.isted.com/cesroute/default.html) and urbanism sector (www.isted.com/pole-ville/pole-ville-formation-amenagement.html) and the research on " transports in Europe" (www.transport-era.net).

Isted is an active partner in the international database documentary on Cities (www.urbamet.com) and Cities Alliance (www.citiesalliance.org)

This know-how that helps the Institute to develop its cooperation with its partners (www.isted.com/membres/membre.htm) is thoroughly analysed in the progress report (www.isted.com/organisation/rapport/rapport_annuel.pdf).

News about the association

Departure of Jean-Loup Blanchet, Head of Road Department

Jean-Loup Blanchet, head of Isted road department since June 2005 has joined the BCEOM on 1st April as projects director within the department "Western Africa Transports".

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Isted partners

- Launching of the 2007 Engineering National Grand Prize (GPNI) by Claude Martinand, Vice-President of CGPC (*Conseil Général des Ponts et Chaussées*)

The GPNI is an initiative from the Ministry for Transport, Infrastructure, Tourism and the Sea. Syntec Engineering and Moniteur Group take part to this initiative which rewards the engineers and the teams that implemented original works with an engineering imaginative touch (Infrastructure, public equipment, civil engineering and industrial facilities).

Internet: www.equipement.gouv.fr.

Programmes and activities

Documentary support to the international rivers and heritage institute

In the frame of this mission, Isted and more exactly, its documentary and information centre, is undertaking the following tasks:

- Improving the bibliographic database of the "Val de Loire" mission, which is devoted to the "rivers and heritage" thematic, at both technical, documentary and thematic level;
- Strengthening the "leading" position of the institute in this theme among its partners.

Synergising the regional skills is the main role of Isted within the "Val de Loire" mission. It offers an opportunity of training on "rivers and heritage", implemented by partners from the higher education structures.

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World Bank 2007 Transport Forum

The World Bank organises, each year, a transport forum in which Bank staff and experts exchange information and knowledge among themselves and with external participants.

The theme of this year was "Safe, clean and affordable...transport for development". This forum took place during three days 26th-28th March 2007, supplemented by several training sessions (29th-30 March).

Among the French participants to this forum, were notably: Chantal Duchène (Groupement des autorités responsables de transports, GART), Alain Fayard (Direction générale des routes), Olivier Hartmann (Isted) and Claude Martinand (CGPC).

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From Shanghai to Bangalore: Business models to review

This international symposium is organised by Isted at Unesco (Paris) 7th-8th June 2007, Erudit, Irsam and Iued. It aims at studying the new business models implemented in both India and china, pointing-out the junctions between these models and the variable used in their frameworks.

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Web site: www.isted.com/agenda/ShangBang_eng.pdf

Current events

Villes en développement

The number 75 of the bulletin "Villes en Développement" is devoted to the City Development Strategies – CDS, with an editorial from Elisabeth Gateau, Secretary-general of CGLU.

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Internet: www.isted.com/periodiques/villes-developpement/bulletin.htm

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• Section "Références"

In order to complete Isted references, the list of expertises 2004-2006 is available on line.

Internet: www.isted.com/organisation/expertises.htm



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