

About us

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Since our formation in 1834 by a group of industry luminaries, that included Thomas Cubitt and Samuel Morton Peto, we have led the way in establishing, promoting and maintaining standards of excellence in the construction industry.

The achievement of professionalism at all levels within the construction industry is at the core of our work. By establishing the criteria for membership of the CIOB, we provide a framework of educational requirements designed to reflect the needs of a progressive industry.

Our qualifications are the gold standard for professionals in construction management worldwide. Through our accreditation of education and training courses countless individuals have experienced, and continue to experience, a rewarding career in the built environment.

Today our community includes over 40,000 individual members and over 500 corporate organisations (these are referred to as Chartered Building Consultancies or Companies) across the globe. CIOB members can be recognised by the designations MCIOB and FCIOB, which is internationally respected as the mark of true construction professionalism. Their work, which is our heritage, can be found in every aspect of human life, from the development of schools, hospitals, homes and offices to cultural and sporting venues.

Our 7 Guiding Principles

- Creating extra-ordinary people through professional learning and continuous personal development.
- Promoting the built environment as central to the quality of life for everyone everywhere.
- Achieving a sustainable future, worldwide.
- Advocating exemplary ethical practice and behaviour, integrity and transparency.
- Pursuing excellence in management practice, and technological innovation rooted in evidence based science.
- Being socially responsible and working responsibly.
- Enabling our members to find an emotional resonance with the Institute; their success is our success.



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