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GSA PROCUREMENT - TAP INTO THE WORLD'S LARGEST PROCUREMENT CUSTOMER

How can your architectural practice tap into the \$100-billion-plus annual U.S. market?

There are many ways, but one of the best is to register with the U.S. General Services Administration.

The General Services Administration (GSA) is an independent agency of the U.S. federal government. It is similar in function to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) in that it both conducts procurement on behalf of the federal government, and it creates contract vehicles to simplify procurements by other federal departments.

Check out the RAIC Web site www.raic.org to learn more.

TRINATIONAL TALKS RESUME

On November 30 and December 1, under the auspices of NAFTA, representatives from the RAIC and the Committee of Canadian Architectural Councils (CCAC) met with their counterparts - the American Institute of Architects (AIA), the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) from the USA; and the Federacion des Asociaciones des Arquitectos de la Republicana Mexicana (FCARM) as well as the Asociacion de Instituciones Nacionales de Ensenanza de la Arquitectura (ASINEA) in Mexico City. A declaration was signed to develop a protocol for temporary licensing (referred to as "Practice in a Host Nation" by the Americans) and principles for developing a full mutual recognition agreement. Canada will host the next meeting in April 2002.

2002 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CAMPAIGN

The RAIC has begun its 2002 membership drive with its renewal notices going out in late December. All membership renewals must be received at the RAIC National Office by March 31, 2002. For more information on RAIC membership services, please contact Denise Charron, Membership Administrator at dcharron@raic.org

2002 RAIC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2002 RAIC Membership Directory represents, in printed format, the community of architects to which you belong. The Directory's various listings and advertisements are also designed to assist you, by providing information on some exciting building products available in Canada. Make sure to complete your membership renewal form so that we can print the most up-to-date information on you and your firm. For more information, please contact Marc Bourgeois at mbourgeois@raic.org

2002 RAIC FESTIVAL OF ARCHITECTURE - GLOBAL CITY; URBAN WORLD

Plan now to attend the 2002 Festival of Architecture in Winnipeg, June 6-8th and make your hotel reservations now to arrive Wednesday June 5th. Continuing education sessions begin the next morning at 8 a.m. All continuing education sessions and the trade show will take place in the Hotel Fort Garry.

Hotel Fort Garry: \$119 single or double Reservations: Toll-Free
1 800 665-8088

To receive conference rate, mention code RAIC1 or RAIC Festival of Architecture.

Fairmont Winnipeg: \$125 single or double Reservations: Toll-Free
1 800 441-1414

To receive conference rate, mention code ROARC or RAIC Festival of Architecture.

Full details on the program and registration will be available on the RAIC Web site at www.raic.org in the New Year.

RAIC SYLLABUS EXAMINERS REQUIRED

The RAIC Syllabus is seeking Examiners in two of its course offerings: #230 Economics of Buildings and #231 Management of Projects. These two courses are mandatory for completion of the Diploma Program. They are also offered to non-Diploma students, and are usually taken by students in the final terms of the curriculum. Examiner's tasks include the development of the course outline and the setting and grading of final exams semi-annually (there are no mid-term assignments). Copies of the existing course outlines and other details such as honoraria are available from the Registrar.

If you have some interest in participating in this important educational program of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada Syllabus, please contact:

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CANADIAN STANDARD FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CLIENT AND ARCHITECT - DOCUMENT 6

The members of the National Practice Program have been requested to review and endorse Document 6, Version 2001 by December 21, 2001. Beta testing of the web-based version of this revised contract by the provincial Practice Advisors will be underway shortly. This electronic document should be available for use by Spring 2002.

A FULL HOUSE GREETES THE SDCB 101 SPEAKERS IN MONTRÉAL

The session on "Sustainable Design Fundamentals for Buildings" was offered in Montréal on December 7, 2001. This session was the last one of the first series of SDCB 101, which took place in five different cities across Canada (Calgary, Vancouver, Toronto, Moncton and Montréal) over the last two months. More than 750 architects and other professionals interested in sustainability issues participated in the SDCB 101 session and have earned continuing education credits. The possibility of offering this course again in 2002 is currently being considered. Stay tuned!

WATERLOO SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE TO MOVE TO TIGER BRAND

The former Tiger Brand building on Melville Street in Cambridge, Ontario will be the new home of the University of Waterloo School of Architecture. Future architects will be nurtured in downtown Cambridge as a result of an announcement that the University of Waterloo's School of Architecture will take over the former factory building in the city core.

One last thing...

"...every morning I awake torn between a desire to save the world and an inclination to savor it. This makes it hard to plan the day. But if we forget to savor the world, what possible reason do we have for saving it?"

- Edward Brickell White, Architect (1806-1882)

Happy Holidays from the RAIC Board of Directors and Staff