OpenBIM workshop - EU BIM Task Group – Press Release

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The OpenBIM workshop, the first of a series of practical workshops by the EU BIM Task Group (EBTG) took place in the Grangegorman Campus of TU Dublin on the 1st of June.

This activity was created earlier this year as a response to the needs of the EBTG members to specifically share their own knowledge, experience, concerns, and challenges that they go through when implementing information management (BIM) in their daily practice.

The workshop was prepared with the close cooperation of all participants, moderated by Jaroslav Nechyba, hosted by Build Digital/TU Dublin, and facilitated by Build Digital's Project Lead Robert Moore. The participation was excellent; all 22 participants came from 10 countries (Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Netherlands, Norway, and Spain). Of note was the participation of Øivind Rooth from Norway, who is the chairman of the standardization committee for the BIM area in the European CEN TC 442. His contribution to the discussions was very valuable, and he has indicated that he will bring some of the subjects discussed back to CEN TC 442 for further consideration.

Robert Moore, the Build Digital, Project Lead said;

> "We are incredibly excited to host the first workshop on openBIM, as this topic is critically important to us. It is great to have expertise from across Europe in Ireland for Build Digital and the sector to learn from. We look forward to working closely with the EU BIM Task Group in the future."

The goal of the workshop was to choose one specific topic and go into practical details without getting distracted by the "acronyms". The chosen topic was OpenBIM, with a focus on the principles of governance, definition, and specification of structured data information requirements for individual organizations or projects. It was the first successful attempt to pull each participant out of their own silo (national, organizational, professional/discipline) and share a broader or different perspective on the same topic. The day was finished with a Lego Serious Play Session that further analyzed the discussions from earlier in the day. EBTG is currently processing a simple output of the participants' findings, which will publish on http://www.eubim.eu/ in July.

EBTG is already looking forward to and planning the second workshop, which will be hosted by Prague at the beginning of October. This second workshop is planned to be on the topic of common data environment (CDE) in the public sector. EU BIM Task Group invites representatives of EU policymakers and large public clients to join the group and participate in this and future activities.

Present at the event included:

Jaan Saar, Estonia, EBTG Chairperson and Ministry of Economic Affairs & Communications, Head of Digital Construction
Jaroslav Nechyba, Czechia, EBTG Co-Chairperson and Czech Standardization Agency
Øivind Rooth, Norway, CEN/TC442 Chairperson Norwegian Building Authority
Robert Moore, Ireland, Build Digital, Project Lead

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