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APWA and FEMCIC Enter Strategic Partnership

Kansas City, MO – February 26, 2021 – The American Public Works Association (APWA), representing 30,000 public works professionals across North America, and the Federación Mexicana de Colegios de Ingenieros Civiles A.C. (FEMCIC), representing 60,000 civil engineering professionals across México, have recently entered into an agreement to expand their reach and deliver greater value and education to their members in the United States, Canada, and México. Both organizations are focused on facilitating the exchange of ideas, technology, resources, and management practices for professionals who deliver public works and infrastructure services.

“APWA is pleased to share our wonderful educational and credentialing resources internationally while learning from others around the world,” said APWA President Mary Joyce Ivers. “APWA and FEMCIC are enhancing opportunities for technology exchange among public works professionals, heightening our members’ ability to provide essential services in communities across the U.S., Mexico and Canada.”

The agreement facilitates APWA’s efforts to develop strategic and global alliances with other organizations to promote APWA’s education and credentialing programs, and FEMCIC’s goal of promoting scientific and technological development, knowledge exchange, international best practices, and ensuring high quality civil engineering professional practices in Mexico. Areas of collaboration will include engagement in each organization’s international affairs committee and content development for blogs and publications.

“Engineering & Technology is a core focus of APWA and our members welcome the opportunity for collaboration,” said APWA CEO Scott Grayson. “We look forward to expanding APWA’s outreach to all of North America through this new alliance with FEMCIC.”

Members of both associations will benefit from the exchange of educational and credentialing programs, publications and products, events and leadership opportunities, including APWA’s [Jennings Randolph International Fellowship program](#). This program supports travel and participation at a public works conference of one of APWA's international partners and a public works study tour in the respective country. Through this program, APWA has sponsored six (6) individuals since 2004 to study in México, and APWA welcomes new study tour opportunities.

“México has a great opportunity to promote knowledge exchange through educational products and programs, initiatives, and best practices and resources,” said FEMCIC president Alejandro Guevara. “The civil engineering community will be leading the effort to demonstrate how our organization is partnering with international organizations like APWA to improve the delivery of engineering and management services for public works infrastructure in our nation.”

Oscar Cortes, FEMCIC Vice President for International Relations, agreed. “This partnership will be a highly beneficial relationship.”

The establishment of this new partnership furthers APWA’s strategic goal to serve as the best credentialing (certification and accreditation) resource for the public works community throughout the world, as well as FEMCIC’s goal to support and strengthen its local chapters and engineering specialities. APWA and FEMCIC look forward to expanding markets outside their member bases through discounting and cross promotion of education programs, online training courses and publications.

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About APWA

The American Public Works Association (www.apwa.net) is a not-for-profit, international organization of more than 30,000 members involved in the field of public works. APWA serves its members by promoting professional excellence and public awareness through education, advocacy, and the exchange of knowledge. APWA is headquartered in Kansas City, MO, has an office in Washington, D.C., and 63 chapters and 97 branches throughout North America.

About FEMCIC

FEMCIC is a civil association constituted in accordance with the laws of the United Mexican States. Its purpose is to coordinate, support, and strengthen the Civil Engineers’ Associations that comprise it. FEMCIC also represents the Federated Civil Engineers’ Associations in achieving objectives of national and international scope. FEMCIC has 62 affiliated local chapters of Civil Engineers’ Civil Associations, which represent an average of 60,000 professionals around the country, in 29 of the 32 states that make up México.

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