

Topic: Construction 4.0 Working Group

Brief description and main aims:

FIEC launched a BIM Working Group in 2016, to tackle the subject of Building Information Modelling and its impact on contractors in the EU. This group quickly became a working group focused on the wider aspects of digitalisation, under a new name, the “Construction 4.0 Working Group”.

Why FIEC is dealing with this topic:

The main aim of this group is to follow relevant policy developments, inform member federations and select priority issues for more in depth research and discussion, in order to develop our positions. Our most recent achievement was a position paper on the behaviour of software companies towards contractors. The paper addresses the behaviour of IT companies, with regard to the data being generated by construction companies; and the licences that are being offered by many software companies, for critical services to support BIM and other aspects of digital construction. This was based on an internal document on data policy, which considers emerging issues that will eventually need lobbying action. In addition, we are working on our reaction to the European Data Strategy.

Actions and key dates :

19/02/2020 – A European strategy for data COM(2020) 66 final published

24/02/2020 - FIEC position paper on the relationship between users and software companies/editors/service providers