



Memorandum of Understanding

Between

The Royal Geographic Society (with IBG), hereinafter referred to as "RGS-IBG"

1 Kensington Gore, South Kensington, London SW7 2AR

And

The Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors, Dominion House, Sibson Road, Sale, Cheshire M33 7PP, UK, hereinafter referred to as "CICES"

1. PREAMBLE

RGS-IBG and CICES (the "Parties") enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (the "Understanding") in order to identify ways that RGS-IBG and CICES may co-operate on matters in common relating to geography and to civil engineering surveying.

2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

2.1 Each Party recognises the local, national and international context in which RGS-IBG and CICES operates.

2.2 Both organisations support the development, general acceptance and enforcement of international standards.

2.3 RGS-IBG recognises the pre-eminence and unique knowledge and expertise of CICES within the science and art of civil engineering surveying.

2.4 CICES recognises the pre-eminence and unique knowledge and expertise of RGS-IBG within geographical science.

2.5 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Understanding are:

3.1 To encourage a positive environment within which RGS-IBG and CICES can work collaboratively.

3.2 To provide a basis for joint action in priority areas of common interest, for example but not limited to, continuing professional development, education, , conferences, training and relevant services to geographical and civil engineering surveying professionals and the general public.

RGS-IBG and CICES agree:

3.3 To apprise each other of any undertakings they may be planning that could be of mutual interest.

3.4 To encourage collaboration of CPD/networking events by members and, when appropriate , to cross-promote individual events to their respective members.

3.5 Where appropriate, to promote respective disciplines and careers at universities, colleges and career fairs.

3.6 To disseminate relevant information to their respective members.

3.7 To consult with respect to programmes and activities that might be undertaken collaboratively.

3.8 To work together and build a strong relationship in order to promote and enhance the development of their respective professions.

3.9 To work to complement their respective efforts when dealing with government and other organisations on issues that affect each party.

3.10 To work together to ensure appropriately qualified professionals and technicians continue to pursue careers within their respective professions.

3.11 In addition, both parties will work on –

1] Identifying overlapping communities and developing a resource or webinar highlighting careers linking RGS-IBG and CICES.

2] Following on from activity one, identify where joint discussions on post – 16 education, including apprenticeships and technical skills would be beneficial to both parties.

3] Co-badged webinars on themes which are of interest to both parties. Initially this will be a Joint National Underground Asset Register webinar

4 4. GENERAL

4.1 This Understanding is intended to encourage and further extend dialogue between RGS-IBG and CICES. This will permit both organisations to consider issues which affect them and foster increased co-operation in addressing policies and practical matters of interest.

RGS-IBG and CICES recognise that:

4.2 Nothing in this Understanding reduces or constrains RGS-IBG and CICES in exercising their legitimate role with respect to their own members.

4.3 This Understanding is effective on the date of its execution by each Party, and its term will be three years from the date of execution; with an annual review of the relationship and its resulting activities.

4.4 Prior to the expiry of this Understanding, the Parties will seek to evaluate the activities taken hereunder and provide each other with such relevant information as may reasonably be required for such evaluations.

4.5 The Parties may decide to enter into a subsequent Understanding to continue the purposes of this Understanding beyond its current term.

4.6 This Understanding may be amended by the Parties from time to time as agreed by both Parties; RGS-IBG and CICES may terminate the Understanding on six (6) months of notice of it advising the other, or on shorter notice by mutual agreement.

4.7 This Understanding does not create or confer any contractual, legal or equitable rights between the Parties; neither of the Parties is subject to any legal responsibilities or obligations arising out of, or


connected to, any non-performance of any provision of the Understanding.

4.8 The Parties declare that nothing in the Understanding will be considered as creating a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between RGS-IBG and CICES.

Signed

On behalf of RGS-IBG: 

Director
RGS.

On behalf of CICES:  CICES
CEO

JOE SMITH
SIMON HAMMAN

Date 11th DECEMBER 2024