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The Monthly Mentor

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Infrastructure Security

The Sept. 11 terror attacks have brought to the forefront a new level of awareness for the processes and procedures for protecting facilities and infrastructure. In the U.S., and at U.S. interests abroad, immediate actions were taken to increase physical security measures to mitigate what before may have been regarded as an "open" target. Civil works officials with the Army Corps of Engineers state that security upgrades in the U.S. alone could cost \$267 million in the first year plus \$65 million annually after that. What will this sizable amount of funds go towards? Government and private sector investment in small-scale upgrades such as electronic security systems as well as passive measures such as barriers, window films, and standoff distances. The increased focus on security has numerous industry trade groups, consultants, and experts rushing to provide guidance. All of these inputs can seem overwhelming and potentially be at cross-purposes. On 20 Nov 01, The Security Infrastructure Partnership (TISP), a public-private partnership, was formed to act as a clearinghouse for information and guidance. The partnership is a collaborative effort aimed at adding engineers, architects, and construction professional's expertise and efforts to the war on terrorism. The group has representation from over 90 Fortune 500 companies and 40 organizations, to include S.A.M.E. To learn more about the TISP's charter, join the TISP, or keep abreast of TISP News, visit <http://www.same.org/TISPGeneral.htm>.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

FEBRUARY MEETING

Sustaining Membership Recruitment

21st February 2002

Luncheon with prospective members from the community. Followed by a Distinguished Visitor (DV) type tour of Ramstein Air Base to highlight the major engineering efforts that are on going and planned for the near future.

The plan is to have lunch at the O'Club at 1130 and followed by a bus tour of the base for approximately 2 hours.

MARCH MEETING

28th March 2002

Program to be Announced

Meetings are normally held the 4th Thursday of every month at the Officer's club on Ramstein. If you need access to the base, please contact

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President's Notes

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2002 - A Year to Grow

Greetings to all who serve this nation in any aspect of national defence -- on active duty, as an industry design professional, as a constructor/builder or as a material or service supplier. The past year proved to be dynamic in many respects and the year ahead will be no different. Between work and family, each of us will be presented with opportunities for challenge and success.

The same holds true for our Post.

This year we will be joining together to focus on four main themes:

- ✓ **Choose to Join**
- ✓ **Choose to Stay**
- ✓ **Choose to Grow**
- ✓ **Choose to Participate**

These goals are targeted to grow our Post, and to grow us both personally and professionally.

I'm looking forward to our February membership luncheon, where we will have the opportunity to meet new, potential sustaining member firms as well as tour Ramstein Air Base. This event will provide all of us a chance to come up-to-speed on the current and projected construction at the Air Force's premiere European airlift hub.

There is much to gain from your active participation in our Post. I challenge each of you to contribute just one idea, find one new member and make 2002 **A Year to Grow.**

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Spotlight on Sustaining Member Firms



Walter Bau-AG Branch Saar-Pfalz

Realizing visions, meeting challenges, successfully completing complex projects and developing high-tech solutions – **Walter Bau-AG** is your partner for integrated construction. With over 135 years of experience, **Walter Bau-AG** offers a high degree of competence that is trusted globally.

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Walter Bau's southwest German branch office is **Walter Bau-AG Branch Saar-Pfalz**. The office is located in Kirkel-Limbach near Homburg. The staff of 185 people perform contracts of all kinds to include:

- Building and civil engineering construction
- Turnkey projects
- Renovations
- Underground works
- Ramps and runways
- Maintenance & facility management

The annual turnover of the branch is approximately \$100M (US). The activities cover the states of Rheinland-Pfalz and Saarland.

The Branch is currently performing various contracts for US Forces at all locations in the KMC, Baumholder area, as well as the Spangdahlem and Bitburg area.

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