



SABIT GROUP PROGRAM INFRASTRUCTURE: ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM FOR EURASIA FEBRUARY 23 – MARCH 22, 2008

SCOPE AND MISSION

The Special American Business Internship Training (SABIT) Program's Road Construction session will train 18 mid- to senior-level engineers and executives from the Eurasian road construction sector. These delegates, screened and selected by the U.S. Department of Commerce, represent industry leaders who are seeking information on improvements in road construction techniques and technologies, construction equipment, road design, materials, and quality control. This program will introduce these Eurasian leaders to industry trends, and help them establish contacts with potential partners in U.S. road construction sector.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Road Construction program aims to accomplish a number of objectives. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of road construction in the United States, including general topics such as equipment, materials, finance, and business/construction management. This will be done primarily through meetings with leading U.S. companies, industry organizations, equipment manufacturers, and local, state and federal government representatives. By stressing these major thematic areas, not only will participants be able to implement meaningful changes in their businesses and organizations upon their return home, but they will also be better prepared to successfully work with U.S. partners.

BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION

This is a unique opportunity for U.S. companies to provide industry insight and training while showcasing their products and services to their Eurasian counterparts. By hosting this SABIT group, U.S. companies actively involved with road infrastructure design and construction will have the opportunity to establish or expand their operations and activities throughout Eurasia. Through these valuable contacts, host companies can explore commercial opportunities, cooperation, and partnerships in the region.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The official program will begin February 23, 2008 in Washington, D.C. with an orientation, training sessions, and visits to relevant government agencies, associations, and local companies in the National Capital Area. During the remaining three weeks of the session, the group will travel to relevant regions across the country to meet with leading U.S. industry organizations and experts.

HOST THIS DELEGATION

SABIT is currently looking for U.S. hosts to provide training sessions ranging from a few hours up to a full day at their facilities. Training should emphasize some of the following topics that are of interest to the delegates, and represent some of the current challenges they face within their organizations with respect to road construction:

- Construction equipment and materials
- Financial and project management
- Road design: High-volume and rural roads
- Geographic and climactic considerations
- Quality control: Mixes and materials
- IT applications in road construction

COST OF PARTICIPATION

SABIT will cover the majority of program costs for all delegates, including round-trip airfare to the United States, all U.S. domestic air travel, lodging, insurance, per diem for meals and incidentals, and interpreters to provide simultaneous interpretation of all program events. In turn, U.S. host companies and organizations are asked to provide industry expertise through training in the topics pertaining to this particular program.

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