



Welcome...

to new staff members

Name	Unit/Position
Katrin Oehlkers	Junior Finance Manager for UCBP Infrastructure
Kerstin Ehlert	Junior Architect
Aida Lemma	Intern Tier III/ PR
Reiner Barczinski	Financial Expert, IS



Infos from Addis...

- **Eight UCBP companies are now the first ISO certified** companies in the Ethiopian construction sector. These companies- MH Engineering, ABBA architects, Equator, Orbit, Life Consult, Tewodros, Tekleberhan and ETG Designers- celebrate in a joint event with UCBP and ecbp on the 06th March 2008 in the Hilton Hotel. The German certification body ZDH Zert. will audit four additional UCBP companies in March 2008.
- **25 out of 41 contracts for phase II** (Lot 1b, 2a, 2b) are signed, latest for Mizan Teferi, Robe, Semera and Adama. Grade four contractors are included in UCBP for the first time.
- **The contract for infrastructure and additional buildings** is foreseen to be negotiated on Tuesday, March 04th. Dr. Kleiner, Director General GTZ IS, will join the respective meetings with MoE/ MoCB.
- **Planning:** Design of service buildings (treatment plant), reference buildings and dry toilets is about to be finalized. The structural designs of all existing buildings will be checked and submitted to MH Engineering. The masterplan design status (all phases, additional buildings and additional sqm) will be distributed to all 15 sites. All sanitary units will receive a handlock system instead of keylock system.
- An **Accounting & Budgeting System** for Tier III companies are developed with Construction Consultants.
- The **exhibited paintings in the office spaces** will be replaced at the end of March; please contact W/o Tsehay for the purchase of paintings.

Infos from the sites...

- Dire Dawa site has received an acknowledgement by the city of Dire Dawa for an outstanding engagement regarding their **HIV/AIDS activities**.

Meetings/ appointments in March '08...

- 01/ 02.03.08: SME promotional event in Adama
- 04.03.08: Contract negotiations for infrastructure and additional buildings with MoE/MoCB
- 06.03.08: Celebration of first ISO 9001:2000 certified companies, location: Hilton Hotel
- 07.03.08: Tier I, III, and IV MoCB Performance Evaluation
- 21.03.08: Tier II MoCB Performance Evaluation
- 21.03.08: Quarterly Reports of each unit to be delivered to Project Control Unit, W/o Abaynesh
- 24.03.08: Good Practice Decision Making Board
- 28./29.03.08: Site Manager Meeting

Trainings/ workshops in March '08...

- March 2008: planned 4 weeks workshop on "Roof Design" by planning department
- 04. – 06.03.08: "Sanitary" by Paul Hartmann, location: Mtg. Room GTZ IS
- 21.03.08: "Hollow Concrete Block & Pre-cast Production" by Construction Consultants, location: CEE
- 26.03.08: "Subcontracting- challenges, changes, risks" by Construction Consultants, location: CEE
- 29.03.08: "ISO 9001:2000 Introduction & Principles" by A. Fuchsmann, location: Mtg. Room GTZ IS
- End of March: "In-Design" by Steffi Noelting