



Welcome...

to new staff members

Name	Unit/Position
Carsten Blaich	Director Finance UCBP
Franz Engler	Site Manager (Jijiga)
Thomas Blanche	Site Manager
Naol Abera	Junior Construction Consultant
Yirgalem Alehen	Junior Construction Consultant
Addis Tigabu	Intern Public Relations
Mahdar Tinsae	Intern SME unit
Jordanos Hedrit	Intern PMU, Planning department



German parliamentarians visited the Adama site on the 19th of March, 2008.

Infos from Addis Ababa...

- The number of **ISO certified UCBP companies has increased** to eleven. The following companies passed the audits by ZDH Zert. in March 2008: SUR Construction, Africawit B.C., and Afro Tsion Con.
- **29 out of 41 contracts for phase II** (Lot 1b, 2a, 2b) are signed, 12 are still under negotiation.
- **18 contractors** are now part of the Tier III capacity building. ConCon's find them to be very committed.
- The Tier II planning team will visit eight sites from 07th until 11th of April, before the **A&E's second phase finishes at the end of April**.
- The **SME unit** reports that up to today more than 1000 employees from local enterprises have participated in short management trainings and a total of 238 have attended CEFE workshops throughout Ethiopia.
- UCBP subscribed to the magazine "**Construction Ahead**", which will be delivered to relevant units bimonthly.
- **UCBP stickers** are now available with Public Relations UCBP.

Infos from the sites...

- **Semera and Sodo sites receive their first students** in the first days of April 2008. Thus, all of the UCBP universities (Mizan Teferi and Tepi being one campus) are now functional higher educational institutions!
- **Updated construction signboards** for the entrances of sites will be distributed in April.
- A workshop on **business start-up for TVET graduates** is ongoing in Sodo. Newspapers will report on the cooperation between UCBP and TVET-colleges in April 2008, researching in Sodo as well as in Adama.

Meetings/ appointments in April '08...

- 01.04.08: Good Practice Decision Making Board
- 01./ 02.04.08: Site Manager Meeting, TK Building
- 01./ 02.04.08: SME Officer Meeting, TK Building
- 04.04.08: ISO concept introduction to four TVET colleges, TK Building
- 04.04.08: Tier III, IV MoCB Performance Evaluation
- 15./ 16.04.08: University Presidents Mtg, Nekemte
- 16.04.08: Introduction on University – Industry – Linkages in cooperation with ecbb, TK Building
- 18.04.08: Tier I, II MoCB Performance Evaluation
- 22.04.08: Good Practice Decision Making Board

Trainings/ workshops in April '08...

- 03.04.08: "Roofing" final presentation, 14:30 o'clock, location: TK Building
- 04.04.08: AutoCAD file structure, location: CEE
- 05.04.08: ISO 9001:2000- Responsibility & Resource Management, location: TK Building
- 12.04.08: ISO 9001:2000- Measurement, Analysis, Improvement, Product Realization, location: TK Bldg
- 22.04.08: Equipment Management by Construction Consultants, location: TK Building
- 30.04.08: Financial Management by Construction Consultants, location: TK Building