



Welcome...

to new staff members & interns

Name	Unit/Position
Georg Derbsch	Construction Consultant
Manfred Off	Construction Consultant
Tesfaye Abate	Construction Consultant
Gerald Hitzler	Skill Up-grader Dese
Eberhard Ruoff	Human Resources IS
Stefanie Zinsmeyer	Strategy Development IS



Infos from Addis...

- 19 out of 41 **contracts for phase II** (Lot 1b, 2a, 2b) are signed, 22 are still under negotiation.
- 26 representatives of 17 Tier I, II and III companies will visit the trade fair **Bautec 2008 in Berlin, Germany** (18.02.- 24.02.'08) together with the Capacity Building Coordinators Renate Schindlbeck and Martin Hintereder, and PMU Coordinator Addisalem Nega to compare construction equipment and methods.
- Auditors from ZDH Zert., a German **ISO certification** organization, will arrive on 08.02.2008 and audit the first four out of twelve UCBP companies which will then be the first ISO 9001:2000 certified companies in the Ethiopian construction sector!
- A **brochure displaying the SME unit activities** will be available within this month to describe the local economic development due to UCBP.

Infos from the sites...

- Already **more than 24.000 students** learn and live in UCBP facilities already! In February, additional 1900 students will start in Sodo, while Mizan Teferi will take in its first 1200 students.
- **11 SME officers** are now working on 13 sites to coordinate SME activities and liaise with local enterprises and cooperatives. The two remaining sites, Jijiga and Robe, will recruit SME officers in February and March.

Meetings...

- February '08: Meetings with university presidents on all sites
- 07.02.08: Tier III Contractors Meeting
- 08.02.08: Tier I, III, and IV MoCB Performance Evaluation
- 08.02.08: Tier II Steering Committee Meeting
- 22.02.08: Tier II MoCB Performance Evaluation
- 22.02.08: Tier I Steering Committee Meeting

Trainings...

- February '08: First CEFE training for TVET graduates, location: Dire Dawa
- 02./ 09./ 16.02.08: "ISO 9001:2000 for Top Management" by A. Fuchsmann, location: CEE
- 12.02.08: "AutoCAD File structure" by Marian Stoll, location: CEE
- 20.02. - 22.02.08: "CED for sanitary engineers" by Paul Hartmann, location: Mtg Room GTZ IS
- 27.02.08: "Safe handling of contracts by forms" by M. Off, location: Mtg. Room GTZ IS
- 27.02.08: "Linux operational system open source software" by Ch. Mewes, location: Mtg. Room GTZ IS