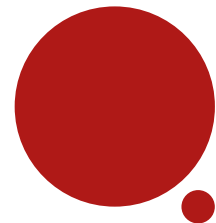


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WHO WE ARE

APPC – Portuguese Association of Engineering and Management Consultants is a non-profit Trade Association set up in January 1975 that represents the Engineering, Architecture, Environment and Economics and Management Consultancy Sector.

Membership is restricted to companies and APPC has around 190 member firms.

The total turnover exceeds 500 million €. From this, a significant portion (about 25%) corresponds to activity performed in the international market, in more than 80 countries.

The Board of Directors of APPC has 7 members, elected for a period of 3 years.

The APPC's member firms commit themselves and all their staff to respect and apply the Code of Professional Conduct, whose regulations aim at achieving the highest professional and ethical standards, particularly with regard to the technical quality and impartiality of the Consultants' work, their responsibilities towards society and the fairness in competition and co-operation.

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

APPC, as the representative of consultancy companies, is engaged in improving and strengthening the Consultants' image and the fair competition in the market, contributing to the best performance of the companies' activity.

APPC has close relationships with the Political Institutions, Public Administration, Regulatory Entities and with national and foreign Trade Associations and Federations.

APPC focus on its relationships with the major Professional Bodies that represent the technical staff of the companies.

APPC is a member of the Portuguese Confederation for the Construction and Real Estate Sector, representing the whole construction business. The Confederation is a member of the Economic and Social Council.

MAIN OBJECTIVES

- Unite, represent and defend the professional interests of its members in the provision of Engineering, Architecture, Environment and Economics and Management and related activities' services.
- Certify ethical and technical principles that guide its member firms to third parties, having for the purpose defined the requirements for joining the Association as well as a Code of Professional Conduct.
- Promote technical and scientific progress, quality and efficiency in the services provided, for the benefit of the country, the clients and the society in general.
- Maintain regular contacts with Government and Regulatory Bodies and with the members' clients
- Provide services and information to members.
- Promote network to business.
- Create committees for specialized discussions on the main fields of consulting services.

INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATIONS

APPC is a full member and sole Portugal's representative in the major Federations of the Sector, both European and International:

EFCA – European Federation of Engineering Consultancy Associations

FEACO – European Federation of Management Consultants Associations

FIDIC – International Federation of Consulting Engineers

FEPAC – Panamerican Federation of Consultants

Additional information concerning APPC and the member firms can be always obtained at the website www.appconsultores.org.pt

A one page presentation for all the member firms, in English, describing the organizational structure of the company, the services provided and professional experience, at home country and at an international level, is available.

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