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## RIB to deliver rail Masterclass



*Railway Improvement: Rail services for the modern commuter* is an important public service event being held at the Barbican Centre, London on 21 May 2009. The one-day conference will address the future of UK rail travel and the need for improved rail travel for the people of London.



Crossrail train (artist's impression)

Expert speakers will discuss cutting edge policies, whether the rail industry is delivering on the Government White Paper 'Delivering a Sustainable Railway' and what is yet to be achieved. Delegates will also have the opportunity to question a panel of railway professionals and campaigners, to network with like-minded professionals and to learn from the industry's leading solution providers.

RIB will be exhibiting at the event as well as delivering a 'Masterclass' in Construction Process Integration for the rail industry.

For more details, visit:  
[www.publicserviceevents.co.uk](http://www.publicserviceevents.co.uk)

## A message from Steve Brunning

There are some important dates for your diary in this issue of **TRIBUNE**, none more exciting than our software solutions conference which will be held at Sadler's Wells Theatre in London on 4 June 2009. Hosted in association with several of our global software partners, this is an event not to be missed!



Steve Brunning,  
Managing Director

Our continued high investment in innovative software solutions is paying off. In fact, we believe the uncertain economic climate is leading companies to invest even more in the optimisation of their processes. We've opened up a new training centre in Dubai to serve our growing portfolio of clients in the Middle East and we've secured new contracts throughout the southern hemisphere in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

Thanks for reading **TRIBUNE**. We look forward to seeing you at one or more of our forthcoming events.

## Building the foundations for recovery



As companies prepare to move out of the downturn and exploit new opportunities, many are investing in the optimisation of their business processes and systems. **Building the Foundations for Recovery** is a unique, one-day conference that will provide a forum for discussing and demonstrating flexible, integrated software solutions for the engineering and construction industries.

Hosted by RIB in association with strategic partners Diagonal, Morse, SAP and SAVVIS, the conference will take place at Sadler's Wells Theatre, London on Thursday, 4 June 2009.

The programme will feature guest speakers as well as interactive workshop modules that will demonstrate:

- integration of RIB *CSuite* v14 and *iTWO* v1.1 with 3D design software (Autodesk *Revit* and *Tekla Structures*);
- *ProjectWon*, the RIB/SAP fully integrated software solution for digital construction;
- integration with project planning and scheduling software (Asta, Microsoft and Primavera); and
- managed hosted solutions (SAVVIS).

For registration and more details, please contact Jane Scott on 020 7400 5400 or e-mail [scj@rib-software.co.uk](mailto:scj@rib-software.co.uk).

## Gareth D'Cruze joins RIB team



Gareth D'Cruze,  
Consultant

Gareth D'Cruze has joined RIB's UK team as Consultant. Gareth's role is to perform client liaison services as well as system installation, data migration and documentation support for new client accounts.

Gareth is an information technology (IT) and systems specialist with over 15 years of experience in the management and provision of IT support services. He spent several years working in the City in the fast-paced, high pressure environment of banking and finance.

Prior to joining RIB, Gareth spent five years based in Milton Keynes with the National House-Building Council (NHBC), the UK's leading warranty and insurance provider for new homes, where he managed and maintained the installation and use of RIB CSuite as the NHBC's 'price book'.

## Sent to Coventry for next Showcase



RIB's next stop on its iTSHOWCASE-LIVE tour of England is at the Ricoh Arena on Tuesday, 19 May 2009, home to Coventry City FC.

The venue was built in just 18 months by Laing O'Rourke on the site of the former Foleshill gasworks and forms an important part of Coventry City Council's bigger plan to rejuvenate the entire area.

To register for the event, visit [www.itshowcase.co.uk](http://www.itshowcase.co.uk) or contact Jane Scott on 020 7400 5400. The show runs from 11am to 3pm.

# Dubai hosts new RIB training centre

RIB's standard set of training courses for CSuite are now available to Gulf-based clients at the Dubai offices of Gulf Crossings LLC, RIB's local distribution partner.

"We are delighted to have become the authorised 'in-house' training centre for RIB software training," said Hisham Bakir, managing partner of Gulf Crossings LLC. "Our spacious offices and convenient location provide the perfect environment for training local users."

The establishment of a local training centre in the UAE follows the successful implementation of RIB CSuite at Al Jaber Energy Services Co. in Abu Dhabi and The AW Rostamani Group in Dubai.



Hisham Bakir, managing partner of  
Gulf Crossings LLC

Additionally, Gulf Crossings is in the implementation phase of RIB CSuite at the Arabian Construction Company (ACC) in Abu Dhabi.

Training courses can be booked online via the 'login' area of the RIB website at [www.rib-software.com](http://www.rib-software.com) and are managed locally by Dubai-based training manager Richard Hain.

# RIB attains best ever results in 2008

RIB Software AG attained the best result in the company's history in 2008, with sales up by 11.6% to over 30 million Euros (£28m).

"Despite the currently uncertain economic situation, we are expecting another extremely positive business year for our company in 2009," said Michael Sauer, member of the board.

"Our financial independence is particularly valuable in difficult economic times for enabling us to pursue our growth strategy."

The company is investing about 30% of its turnover in the development of new software solutions this year. As well as 80 specialists at the company's Stuttgart headquarters, RIB employs another 150 software engineers in Guangzhou in Southern China for the realisation of new products.

For a copy of RIB's 2008 Annual Report, e-mail Jane Scott at [scj@rib-software.co.uk](mailto:scj@rib-software.co.uk).

