

ASCE PRESIDENT BILL HENRY TRAVELS TO BRAZIL, PANAMA AND MEXICO.

President Bill Henry, Executive Director Pat Natale and Jaime Santamaria Serrano, International Director, will meet in Brazil with the Instituto de Engenheiros (IE) and with the President of the ASCE –Brazil Group, Ing. Ivan Lippi, March 14-19, 2005.

In Sao Paulo, Eduardo Lafraia, President of the IE will host a meeting of representatives from the Pan American Union of Engineering Organizations (UPADI), the Brazilian Federation of Engineering Organizations (FEBRAE), the Club of Engineers (CE), and the Pan American Academy where Henry will offer a presentation on his initiative Global Principles for Professional Conduct (GPPC).

Already, the GPPC has gathered support among the members of the Pan American Academy and its President, Professor Miguel Yadarola has been a strong promoter of the fight against bribery and corruption which has plagued the construction industry worldwide.

In Rio de Janeiro, the Brazilian Association of Civil Engineers (ABENC) will sign an Agreement of Cooperation with ASCE that includes a statement to promote the establishment of curricula with main principles of ethical engineering practice with Engineering Schools and Universities.

In Panama, President Henry will meet with the ASCE-Panama Section and with the Panamanian Society of Engineers and Architects (SPIA). A brochure has been developed by the ASCE members in Panama to highlight Henry's and Natale's presentations, the first on GPPC and the second on Capacity Building.

On March 22, Henry and Natale will join the Canadian leadership in Mexico City for the 9th Council Meeting of the North American Alliance for Civil Engineering (NAACE). Hosted by FECIC's President Damian Robledo, the meeting will also include representatives of the Comision Nacional del Agua (CNA). CNA will host the World Water Forum 4 in March of 2006 and NAACE has submitted a proposal for participation.