



Now we open up our scheme to all

We have decided to upload a summary of schemes online for the first time, providing cable manufacturers with a short guide to what they can expect when they commit to a BASEC certification scheme. We want to be accessible and available to our members and prospective members, and you are welcome to e-mail news@basec.org.uk with any further comments or queries. [More...](#)

Training for the future

BASEC's auditors attended a one-day training day at our Milton Keynes offices recently to ensure they are kept up to date with the latest industry information and develop their knowledge and skills as specialists in the cabling sector.

Website covers Wiring Regulations

Electrical industry portal Voltimum has created a special website to keep the electrical industry informed of the progress of the 17th Edition. The new regulations BS 7671: 2008 come out in January 2008 and take effect from June 2008. The deadline has now passed for comments and submissions. [More...](#)



Low Carbon Register taking off

The new simulation side of The Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers' (CIBSE's) Low Carbon Consultants Register is set to be unveiled at the Institutions' 2007 National Conference, taking place in London on 24 and 25 April following the success of the operation and design aspects of the register. [More...](#)

Jeremy adds the personal touch

Chief Executive Jeremy Hodge was on hand to present their first BASEC certificate to Michael Rees of National Cables Industry, Sharjah (pictured) at the Middle East Electricity show held in Dubai. Jeremy also met with a number of other industry organisations as part of his trip and discussed the various issues affecting the area as the pace of construction projects and regeneration continues across much of the region.



Architects make their point

The Royal Institute of British Architects has submitted its comments on the Building A Greener Future consultation paper to the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG). RIBA wants a clear and communicable definition of zero carbon, all new homes to achieve at least Code Level 1 by April 2008, better assessment and proper enforcement and to make the Code cover all buildings, including commercial, industrial and existing homes. [More...](#)

BASEC goes out on the road

BASEC Chief Executive Jeremy Hodge, pictured, is getting out and about in the regions and has recently made a presentation to the ECA Central Lancashire branch at Leyland, Lancashire, where he gave an update of the organisation's work and offered advice and guidance to members. In May, he is giving presentations to the one-day ECA Greater London conference at the Institute of Mechanical Engineers and also to members of the ECA's Colchester branch, part of the Eastern region.



Certification committee oversees operations

New members of the BASEC certification committee are taking on new responsibilities for overseeing BASEC certification issues including approving new schemes and testing regimes. More news about the committee's activities will be available soon.

Mineral cable producer gains certification

Wrexham Mineral Cables has been awarded BASEC approval for its range of mineral insulated cables. The company manufactures a range of products for markets worldwide from its plant in north Wales.



Events for your diary

Wire Russia, 21 -24 May, Exhibition Centre Moscow - Wire Russia is one of the world's biggest & most important industry events and it will again be presenting itself in Russia as the hub of the trade.

International Fire Expo, 21 -24 May, NEC Birmingham - International Fire Expo is a world-renowned show dedicated to the global fire fighting, prevention and protection industries.

World Wire and Cable Conference, 10-12 June, Paris - comprehensive update and insight into the latest from the leaders in the wire and cable industries over two days with the theme of creating value and controlling risk in the wire and cable industry.

Railway Electrification Infrastructure and Systems, May 14-18, Austin Court, Birmingham - five-day course presented by expert lecturers in railway systems in their field.