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FIEC suggests appointing EU Construction Commissioner for more efficient coordination

"The constructive criticism and enthusiasm shown in today's discussions gives hope for improvement towards a more business friendly public administration, both at European and all national levels" said FIEC President Thomas Schleicher coming out of the EU Commission's High Level Conference on 29th October.

Participating in a panel discussion on what enterprises expect of a modern public administration today, Thomas Schleicher presented the European Construction Industry's suggestions:

1. better coordination of the different public administration services in Europe, ideally by way of a specific EU-Commissioner for all issues directly linked to construction
2. professionalism, competence and reliability of public administration
3. a clear legal framework for all aspects of public procurement
4. fair conditions for both parties of public procurement contracts

"It will now be up to the administration to take the points made in today's conference into consideration and listen to business and citizens, in order to be the efficient provider of services we need for achieving growth and jobs." said Schleicher, "The European construction industry is ready to play its role as 'the solution industry' in these processes.

FIEC is the European Construction Industry Federation, representing via its 33 national Member Federations in 29 countries (28 EU & EFTA and Turkey) construction enterprises of all sizes, i.e. small and medium-sized enterprises as well as "global players", carrying out all forms of building and civil engineering activities.

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