



Photo 2: AGM 2013 Lunch at Roof Garden of Titania Hotel.

Engineering Site Visit at “Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center SNFCC”, Athens

With great success a site visit was organized by the Greek Local Association on 2nd November 2013 at the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Centre in Athens. The prestigious 566million construction project, the largest on-going construction project in Europe, was presented to the 30 participants by the Technical Director and Member of the Board of the Foundation, Mr. Theodore Maravelias.

Mr. Maravelias honored us by giving a presentation with key data and facts of the project, a presentation which took place at the newly constructed Visitors Centre located in the site. Following the presentation, all the participants were boarded on a bus for a special live tour around the 170,000sqm site where they had the chance for a closer look of the construction works. The project included the construction and outfitting of new facilities for the National Library, the National Opera and the creation of the Stavros Niarchos Park. One of the most important elements of the project is the great emphasis of the foundation to follow appropriate environmental standards in order to achieve LEED Platinum Award. These standards dictate the method and the procedures adopted during construction so as the environmental and

social impact in the surrounding area are kept to minimum. In addition, the total project will respect the environment and focus in the saving of energy and correct control of resources and the as minimum as possible emissions of CO₂.

The project is due to completion by 2015. Further and detail information about the project can be found at the website www.snfcc.org.

The site visit was followed by a lunch for the participants at a nearby restaurant where the ICE members and guests had the chance to discuss about the day and the very interesting project. The Greek LA also invited in the site the LA of the IMechE, and its Chairman Eur Ing C. Panagiotidis honored us by his presence.



Photo 3: Site Visit at Stavros Niarchos foundation Cultural Centre in Athens.



Photo 4: Presentation by Technical Director and Foundation Board Member, Mr Maravelias.