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Industry Issues

British Masonry Society

Dr Pal Chana, BCA's Technical Director, has been elected to the Council of the British Masonry Society.

Environment Agency report

The Environment Agency published their *Spotlight on Business* report in which they mentioned the cement industry's contribution to helping to manage the waste problem. In 2005, the industry recovered over one million tonnes of waste to replace fossil fuels and raw materials.

The Agency worked with the cement industry on a sector plan that sets out environmental performance indicators and targets. The cement industry published their progress last month in [Performance](#), the annual corporate responsibility report.

Labour Party event

Mike Gilbert, Chief Executive of BCA, will give a presentation at a SERA event at the Labour Party Conference. The event on 26 September will focus on *Building for the Future*.

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Sustainability

Recarbonation

BCA has started a scoping study to identify potential benefits to the cement industry. The study will be managed by Tom DeSaulles, Senior Manager Building Sustainability, and is due for completion in September.

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Consultations

EU Thematic Strategy on the sustainable use of natural resources

The consultation seeks views on the EU Thematic Strategy on the sustainable use of natural resources. The Thematic Strategy aims to ensure that the consumption of resources do not exceed the capacity of the environment, and to break the links between economic growth and resource use. The deadline for responses is 24 October 2006. Further information on the [DEFRA website](#).

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Events

Concrete Communications Conference

The conference will focus on sustainability; structural design; modern materials; performance and construction. University College London, 5-6 September. Further information: www.cementindustry.co.uk.

Cement and Concrete Science

Sheffield Hallam University, 11-12 September. To register interest or submit an abstract, please contact RJ Mangabhai, Tel: 0208 9083762. Email r.j.mangabhai@btinternet.com

Solidification/Stabilisation

The three day workshop will focus on practices, regulations and the Canadian experience and will highlight case studies where S/S remediation technology is being proposed or applied. 18-20 September, Sydney. Further information: www.cementindustry.co.uk.

International Symposium on Concrete Roads

The plenary sessions will be held around three major themes, concrete roads and sustainable development; urban pavements and rural roads and special topics in materials, applications and processes. 18-22 September, Brussels. Further information: <http://www.concreteroads2006.org/default.aspx>

Living with Minerals 2

Making and sustaining the link between minerals, the economy and our way of life. 6 November, Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre. Further information: http://www.mineralsuk.com/britmin/cbi_press_release.pdf.

BCA Berthold Lubetkin Memorial Lecture

Daniel Libeskind, architect of the Ground Zero project, London Metropolitan University Graduate Centre, Imperial War Museum North and Grand Canal Performing Arts Centre will be the guest speaker at this fifteenth annual lecture. Kensington Great Hall, London, 9 November. Further details to follow – please consult the [BCA website](#).

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BCA in the News

BCA media coverage for June

Article	Media	Issue
Students awarded for concrete innovations	Politics.co.uk	05 June 06
BCA appoints full-time sustainability manager	Aggregate Research	05 June 06
BCA: Appointment of sustainable development manager	DeHavilland	05 June 06
Cement safety regs set to cause red tape hell	Contract Journal	07 June 06
New sustainability manager for the BCA	Minerals, Quarrying & Recycling	May/June 06
Revision of cement safety datasheets to comply with REACH	EurOhs	21 June 06
Hycontrol develop SiloSafe	Hub-4.com	23 June 06

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Publications

Fact sheet

BCA has published a revised fact sheet (FS9) on *Product certification for cements and the CE Marking*. Further information: Publications section of [BCA website](#).

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