

## Conference reports

### GEO-EXPO 2017 Scientific and Expert Conference in Sarajevo Bosnia and Herzegovina

The seventh scientific and expert conference, GEO-EXPO 2017, was held in the Hotel Hollywood congress center in Sarajevo on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2017.



Figure 1. President of the Geotechnical Society welcomes the participants at the opening ceremony



Figure 2. Invited lecturers and the participants of the GEO-EXPO 2017

The GEO-EXPO 2017 conference themes: “Geotechnics, Roads, Mines and Environmental Engineering” attracted over 150 participants from all over the world, i.e. Japan, Norway, Italy, Austria, United States of America, Greece, Czech Republic, Croatia, Serbia, Slovenia, Macedonia, Montenegro, and Bosnia and Herzegovina. The conference was organized by Geotechnical Society of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Keynote presentations were delivered by invited lecturers: Prof. Charlie C. Li (Norway), Prof. Marui Hideaki (Japan), Prof. Monica Barbero and Prof. Andrea Segalini (Italy).

The invited lecturer, professor Charlie C. Li, the ISRM Vice President for Europe, from the Norwegian University of Science and Technology, briefed the participants on the current interests and activities of the ISRM society, as well as the most recent changes in the ISRM, the election of the next ISRM President for the term 2019-2023, Prof. Reşat Ulusay, and the change of the society’s name to International Society for Rock Mechanics and Rock Engineering.



Figure 3. Professor Charlie C. Li, ISRM Vice President at the GEO-EXPO 2017



Figure 4. Amer Džindo, the president of the Assembly presents the Honorary member of the Geotechnical society of B&H Award to Prof. Emeritus Marui Hideaki from the Niigata University in Japan

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27 papers by prominent lecturers, professors and experts from the world and the region were published. Nine expert companies from Europe and USA, involved in geotechnics, have presented their latest technologies, products and projects implemented all over the world.

The annual general meeting of Geotechnical society of Bosnia and Herzegovina was held on the second day of the conference. Professor Mato Uljarević from the Faculty of the Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy, University of Banja Luka, was elected as the new President of the Society.



Figure 5. Technical visit to the Corridor Vc highway facilities and construction site nearby Zenica

Conference tours/technical visit took place on the second day of the conference. The conference participants had an opportunity to visit the Corridor Vc construction site nearby Zenica.



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