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Message from member society**Geotechnical society of Bosnia and Herzegovina**

The ReSyLAB & GEO-EXPO 2019 symposium was organized in two sessions - 4th Regional Symposium on Landslides in the Adriatic-Balkan Region (ReSyLAB 2019) and 9th Scientific and Expert Conference (GEO-EXPO 2019), with focus on the following topics: landslides in general, landslides mapping, geotechnical investigation and monitoring, environment engineering, underground structures, geotechnical hazard and risk, road infrastructure, foundations and landfills. The Symposium was held at the Hotel Holiday in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, from 23rd to 25th of October.



ReSyLAB & GEO-EXPO 2019 Symposium, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Four plenary lecturers, a young key lecturer and more than 35 authors, scientists and experts delivered their presentations to over 160 symposium participants from the region and abroad during two-day sessions.

The plenary lectures were delivered by: Professor Charles Wang Wai Ng, ISSMGE President, from the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Professor Norikazu Shimizu, ISRM former Vice President at Large, from Yamaguchi University, Tokio (Japan), Professor Željko Arbanas, ICL Vice President, from University of Rijeka (Croatia), and Professor Alessandro Corsini from University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (Italy).

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Geotechnical society of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Con't)

The Symposium participants benefited from the plenary lecture delivered by Professor Charles Wang Wai Ng, the president of the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (ISSMGE), titled: "Ecological engineering for soil slopes: hydrological and mechanical effects".



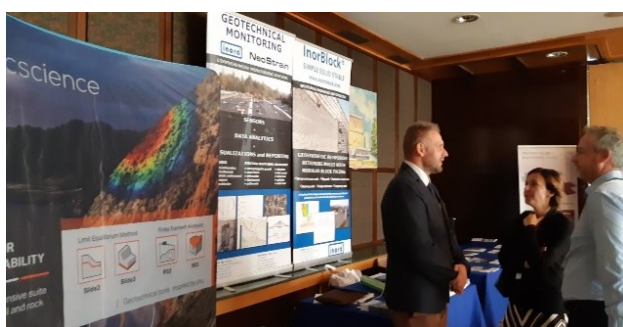
Prof. Charles Wang Wai Ng, the President of ISSMGE, delivering a lecture



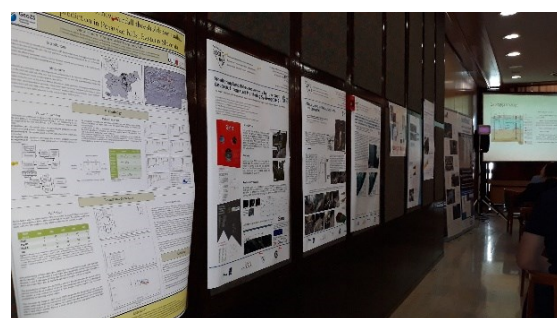
Prof. Martina Vivoda Prodan presenting her research

This year the ReSyLAB session offered an opportunity to one young experienced scientist, also a member of the ICL ABN group (International Consortium on Landslides Adriatic-Balkan Network), to deliver a lecture pertaining to his/her research in the field of landslide science. There was an additional option for the authors to present their papers in the form of poster sessions at the symposium.

The symposium participants had an opportunity to gain information on the latest achievements in the field of geotechnics and related disciplines from 10 exhibiting companies from the region and world, who presented their technologies, projects, equipment, software and other products. The theme of the round table discussion was: "Enhancing cooperation between the landslide scientist and stakeholders from public bodies dealing with policies or decision making". The ICL ABN members reported on the current state in the regional communities in regard to landslides and the application of mitigation and remediation measures.



Company representative in the conference exhibition hall



Poster presentations

The annual general meeting of the Geotechnical Society of Bosnia and Herzegovina was held on the first day of the symposium. Mr.sc. Amer Džindo, the President of the Society's Assembly, was re-elected to the position.

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The closure of the Symposium was marked at the gala dinner on October 24. Professor Mato Uljarević, the President of Geotechnical Society of Bosnia and Herzegovina, thanked plenary lecturers, paper authors, participants, sponsors and everyone present for their contribution to the success of the symposium. The invitation was extended to attendees to join the 10th anniversary GEO-EXPO 2020 scientific and expert conference in Prijedor (Bosnia and Herzegovina) next year and 5th ReSyLAB symposium in Rijeka (Croatia) in 2021.

The next day was reserved for the field study tour to massive landslides „Bogatići“ in Foča, „Čemerno“ in the Gacko municipality and „Sutjeska“ landslide and National Park in the southeastern part of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The field study tour ended with the lunch at the National Park „Sutjeska“.



The symposium participants visiting „Čemerno“ landslide



In front of monument erected to commemorate the World War II Battle of Sutjeska