The Canadian Geotechnical Society’s 71st annual conference, GeoEdmonton 2018, held in September in Edmonton, Alberta, was a great success with close to 300 papers presented over 3 days of technical sessions. The 650+ delegates in attendance experienced high calibre technical lectures, interesting keynote plenary presentations as well as many great opportunities to connect with old and new colleagues during the many social events. The trade exhibition showcased 71 suppliers, contractors and consultants and thanks to the 27 conference sponsors, we were able to support many new initiatives.

Outstanding keynote lectures included:

- R.M. Hardy Address - Dr. Derek Martin, University of Alberta, “Ground Hazards and Canadian Railway Operations
- CGS Colloquium - Dr. Matt Lato, BGC Engineering, “Leveraging Three-Dimensional Remote Sensing in Geotechnical Engineering

Photo 1. Dr. Derek Martin giving his R.M. Hardy Address
Breakout sessions highlighted the impact of Women as well as Young Geo-Professionals. A special session in women in engineering was hosted by the Professional Practice Committee featuring prominent female professionals highlighting diversity in practice and academia. A session highlighting the First Women in Geotechnique in Canada celebrated pioneering women who made incredible contributions to the profession. The Young Professionals Event provided a forum for younger attendees to interact and discuss challenges of entering Geo-careers.

The many award winners were celebrated throughout the conference. Dr. Michel Aubertin, McGill University received the Legget Mmedal, the highest honour in Canadian Geotechnique. He was celebrated at the Legget Dinner after the conference. Award winners were celebrated at the Banquet.

Next year’s Canadian Geotechnical Conference will be held in St. John’s, Newfoundland. Visit http://www.geostjohns2019.ca/ for more details and mark your calendars for September 29 to October 2, 2019! Abstracts are due December 31, 2018. A few days prior to the main CGS conference, the 6th cYGEGC http://cygegc2019.com will be held in St. John’s from September 26-29. The Canadian Young Geotechnical Engineers and Geoscientists Conference (cYGEGC) is an event held every three years that gathers students and young professionals from across Canada and beyond. The conference focuses on providing an opportunity to young professionals and students with geotechnical and geosciences backgrounds to meet their peers, exchange technical knowledge and interact with experts in a relaxed environment. See you there in 2019!

Greg Siemens
Canadian Geotechnical Society
TC304 (Engineering Practice of Risk Assessment & Management) has recently organized the First TC304 Student Contest on Data Analytics Applied to 304dB on 18 August 2018 in Harbin, China, during the 5th National Symposium on Engineering Risk & Insurance Research. This event was supported by TC309 (Machine Learning & Big Data). Besides TC304 and TC309, the local organizers for the Student Contest included Dr. Dagang Lv from Harbin Institute of Technology, Dr. Hongwei Huang from Tongji University, and Dr. Jie Zhang from Tongji University.

One of the key findings of the recently concluded ISSMGE 2017 SOA/SOP Survey is that more geotechnical databases (soil/rock properties, full-scale tests, case studies, etc.) should be made available in the public domain. An open-sharing database called 304dB has been collected by TC304 (http://140.112.12.21/issmge/tc304.htm?=6), and one of the key objectives is to stimulate research to explore how geotechnical data can provide better insights to support decision making in practice. The purpose of this Student Contest is to create an awareness among students of the numerous exciting challenges in this frontier. In this contest, the participants were provided an actual dataset consisting of effective vertical stress, preconsolidation pressure, liquidity index, and undrained shear strength (peak and remoulded). Some values were deliberately modified with varying degrees of departure from the norm to play the role of “outliers”. The number of outliers is left out of the question. The participants are required to identify the “outliers” using any data-driven methods (statistical methods, neural networks, machine learning, artificial intelligence, etc.) based on a realistic dataset consisting of only 17 rows of data (each row consists of all 5 parameters measured at a certain depth).

Fourteen student groups participated in this event from China University of Geosciences, Chongqing University, Dalian University of Technology, Harbin Institute of Technology, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Tongji University, Wuhan University, and Xi'an University of Science and Technology. Each student group submitted a paper and presented their results in English during the Symposium. The student groups were judged based on the quality of the method (originality and degree of innovation), presentation, and solution by an awards committee consisting of Profs Kok-Kwong Phoon (Chair), Jianye Ching, and Limin Zhang. One Student Contest Award and three encouragement awards were presented to the following student groups during the Symposium banquet:

**Student Award:**
Shuo Zheng, Qinxuan Deng, and Yuxin Zhu, A Simple Outlier Detection Method for the Multiple Dimensional Problem. Wuhan University, China (advisor: Zijun Cao).

**Encouragement Awards:**

Jingjian. Hu, Jinzheng Hu, and Tao Cheng, Inspection of Outliers in Multivariate Dataset by Bayesian Information Mining. Tongji University, China (advisor: Hongwei Huang & Dongming Zhang).

Te Xiao, and Jian He, Outlier Detection for Multivariate and Sparse Site-specific Geotechnical Data. Wuhan University (advisor: Dianqing Li & Zijun Cao).

The Contest Question, the winners of Student Contest, and the pdf files for the winning papers can be found in the following link:
http://140.112.12.21/issmge/tc304.htm?=10
TC Corner (Con't)

TC304 student context on Data Analytics applied to 304dB (supported by TC309)

Photo 1. Qinxuan Deng presenting award winning paper “A simple outlier detection method for the multiple dimensional problem” during the student contest presentation in the 5th National Symposium on Engineering Risk & Insurance Research, Harbin, China, 18 Aug 2018

Photo 2. Group photo after the Student Contest presentation (From left to right: Dongming Zhang, Zhipeng Xiao, Peng Chen, unknown, Bin Xu, Huafu Pei, Shaol in Ding, Fei Wang, Zhiping Deng, unknown, Zhiyong Yang, unknown, Jingjian Hu, Zilian Zhou, Jinzhang Zhang, Junkai Shen, unknown, Huaibo Song, Changrui Wu, Xiaohan Hao, Chongzhi Wu, Yelu Zhou, Yixun Ge, Shuo Zheng, Jingze Gao, Xin Xie, KK Phoon, Renming Deng, Te Xiao, Jianye Ching, Qinxuan Deng, Pengxi Li, Limin Zhang, Peng Zeng)
The 8th International Congress on Environmental Geotechnics (8ICEG), under the auspices of TC 215 Environmental Geotechnics of ISSMGE, successfully took place on Oct. 28th - Nov. 1st, 2018 at Hangzhou, China. This congress was organized by Ministry of Education Key Laboratory of Soft Soils and Geoenvironmental Engineering of Zhejiang University, The Chinese Institution of Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (CISMGE), and The Hong Kong Geotechnical Society (HKGES). Support was also received from International Geosynthetics Society (IGS), International Waste Working Group (IWWG), Commission on Radioactive Waste Disposal of International Society for Rock Mechanics (ISRM), and Commission on Waste Disposal of the International Association of Engineering Geology and the Environment (IAEG). Financial supports were from the National Natural Science Foundation of China (41842018), the Chinese Program of Introducing Talents of Discipline to University (the 111 Project, B18047), the College of Civil Engineering and Architecture of Zhejiang University, and 11 sponsors from the industry.

The congress theme was “Towards a Sustainable Geoenvironment.” “Sustainable development was to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”. Geoenvironment was a specific compartment of the environment and comprised portions of geosphere, hydrosphere and biosphere. Under this theme the congress covered a broad range of topics and provided an excellent opportunity for academics, engineers, scientists, government officials, regulators and planners to present, discuss and exchange the latest advancements and developments in the research and application of environmental geotechnics.

8ICEG featured (1) 22 Plenary Lecturers from 11 countries, which includes 7 academicians, 4 editors of major journals, and 6 chairpersons of international renowned organizations; (2) 4 ISSMGE Bright Spark Lectures honoring distinguished young scholars in geoenvironmental area under age of 36, (3) 216 oral presentations and 24 posters were presented in a spacious and comfortable five-star hotel, Sheraton Hangzhou Wetland Park Resort; (4) Over 250 papers in the congress proceedings, including emerging “hot” topics on sustainability, bio-geoengineering and geoenvironmental aspects in energy geotechnics, were published in Environmental Series of Springer, EI-indexed, and searchable by Web of Science; (5) 4 internationally renowned journals, such as Geotextiles and Geomembranes, agreed to special issue publication; (6) 3 short courses, and (7) technical visits to Tianziling landfill of municipal solid waste disposal facility and two construction waste recycling facilities. Numerous positive feedbacks orally or by email were received on the planning, scheduling, on-site organization and off-site guidance. A brief review was provided as follows.
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**The 8th International Congress on Environmental Geotechnics, China**

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Day 1 (Oct. 28th): Registration, short courses, lab tour, and reception.
The staff and student volunteers carefully explained the progress of the conference to the delegates.

Three short courses were given: Numerical simulation of THMC processes in porous and fracture media: application of the computing code OpenGeoSys by Olaf Kolditz and Haibing Shao; 2D/3D Slope stability and seepage analysis by Murray Fredlund, Haihua Lu and Yufeng Gao; and Design and Remediation of Solid and Hazardous Waste Landfills – Approach and Analysis of Existing Problems for Landfills in China by Xuede Qian and Jiwu Lan.

Nineteen delegates visited the laboratory facility at Zhejiang University in the afternoon: Landfill simulation systems and chemical analysis devices, ZJU-400 geotechnical centrifuge, 1:1 High-Speed Railway Subgrade experiment facility, and Geoenvironmental Application and Multiphase Energy (GAME) lab. A lively and crowded reception was held in the evening on a beautiful rooftop golf court.

Day 2 (Oct. 29th): opening ceremony and plenary lectures.
Dr. Bate Bate, secretary of the organizing committee of 8ICEG, hosted the opening ceremony and introduced the guests in the morning. Prof. Lianzhen He, Vice President of Zhejiang University, expressed sincere welcome to all delegates on behalf of Zhejiang University. Mr. Bin Zhong, deputy director of the Bureau of Soil Ecology and Environment of the Ministry of Ecology and Environment, introduced the situation and progress of soil control in China. Mr. Xingu Qiu, vice chairman of Hangzhou Urban and Rural Construction Committee, delivered a welcome speech on behalf of Hangzhou. Prof. Charles W. W. Ng of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, president of the ISSMGE, gave a brief introduction to the membership of ISSMGE and the progress of relevant conferences this year. Prof. Abdelmalek Bouazza, chairman of TC215, delivered the opening speech. Prof. Liangtong Zhan chairman of the organizing committee of 8ICEG, introduced the organization and schedule of the conference. Last, Prof. Liangtong Zhan and Prof. Abdelmalek Bouazza ringed the bell to announce the opening of the conference.

Afterwards, special distinguished lecture, 1 keynote lecture and 3 invited lectures were delivered in the morning. In the afternoon, Kerry Rowe Lecture and 3 invited lectures were delivered.
Day 3 & 4: Plenary lectures, concurrent sessions, banquet and Impression West Lake Show.

The schedule on the third and the fourth day of the conference (Oct. 30th and 31st) was similar: In the morning, 2 keynote lectures, 2 general reports and 9 invited lectures were held. Four ISSMGE Bright Spark Lecturers, honoring scholars in geo-environmental area under the age of 35, presented their state-of-the-art work in a plenary session on Oct. 31st. These four young scholars were Drs. Marta Di Sante, Xunchang Fei, Wenjie Xu and Junjun Ni. In the afternoon of two days, oral presentations in concurrent sessions were held, the audiences were active and asked a lot of questions after the delegates' presentations.
A banquet was held in the evening of the Oct. 30th. Chinese folk music was performed, followed by the amazing Sichuan Opera fast face-changing performance. The delegates said that they enjoyed the banquet.

In the evening of Oct. 31st, delegates arrived at West Lake and watched the Impression West Lake show. The show helped delegates to understand the Hangzhou's connotation and appreciate the essence of Hangzhou's urban culture. The changing lighting themes and diverse music genres impressed the delegates.

**Day 5: Technical visit.**
On Nov. 1st, under the guidance of the Prof. Liangtong Zhan, more than 80 delegates visited the Hangzhou construction waste recycling point - Hangzhou Gangxie Village muck transfer terminal. Xiecun Wharf is the first modern large-scale construction waste waterway transfer operation point in Hangzhou. It was completed and constructed by Hangzhou Lvnong Environmental Engineering Co., Ltd. in 2016.

In the closing ceremony of the conference, the chairman of TC215 Prof. Abdelmalek Bouazza announced that the 9th International Conference on Environmental Geotechnics will be held in Crete Island, Greece in 2022. The chairman of the organizing committee of 8ICEG, Prof. Liangtong Zhan expressed his gratitude to all the staff and volunteers and adjourn the congress.
Registration is now open for IS-Glasgow 2019: 7th International Symposium on Deformation Characteristics of Geomaterials, to be held in Glasgow, UK on June 26th-June 28th 2019. The Symposium is co-organised by the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow and the University of Bristol.

Having attracted close to 300 abstracts from across 47 countries and six continents, IS-Glasgow 2019 is expected to successfully build on the tradition of previous Symposia, from Sapporo in 1994 to Buenos Aires in 2015, by bringing together leading researchers and practitioners to explore new directions in geomaterial testing.

The Technical Core Themes of the Symposium are:

- Advanced laboratory and field testing of geomaterials in saturated and unsaturated states
- From laboratory testing to constitutive and numerical modelling
- Application of advanced testing to practical geotechnical engineering

Full information on Keynote Speakers, Technical Core Themes and the 5th Bishop Lecture, presented by Prof. Junichi Koseki, from University of Tokyo, can be found on the IS-Glasgow 2019 website: https://www.is-glasgow2019.org.uk

IS-Glasgow 2019 Registration
Registration is now open via the website: https://www.is-glasgow2019.org.uk. Ticket prices are as follows:

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*The deadline for early bird registrations is 1st March 2019.

Ticket pricing has been determined to ensure inclusivity for researchers across the academic field and Early Stage Researchers are particularly encouraged to attend. Ticket pricing includes:

- Welcome Drinks Reception at Glasgow City Chambers
- The Gala Dinner
- A USB copy of the Proceedings
- Catered coffee and lunch breaks
- Access to all sessions and exhibition spaces
  - The 5th Bishop Lecture
  - 10 Keynote Lectures
  - 18 Theme Lectures
  - Up to 144 presentations in parallel sessions

Sponsorship Opportunities

IS-Glasgow 2019 has been organised to maximise exposure for sponsors and exhibitors. The symposium has already attracted a high volume and high quality of Abstract submissions, promising to offer an ideal opportunity for interaction with key stakeholders during the event. Our focus on attracting Early Stage Researchers will provide the perfect platform for sponsors and exhibitors to build valuable relationships with current and upcoming researchers and practitioners in the field of geomaterials.
Hot news

The 7th International Symposium on Deformation Characteristics of Geomaterials, U. K. (Con’t)

IS-Glasgow 2019 offers a range of sponsorship packages and bespoke options will be happily discussed. Full information, including pricing and exhibition and venue details, are available on the website: https://www.is-glasgow2019.org.uk/SponsorsandExhibitors/tabid/7788/Default.aspx

The Organising Committee welcomes any questions or discussion about potential opportunities: geomaterials-symposium2019@strath.ac.uk

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Hot news

A meeting of national societies in South America during the conference COBRAMSEG

A meeting of presidents/secretaries of most national societies in South America was held during COBRAMSEG, the Brazilian conference on soil mechanics and geotechnical engineering. Attendees to this meeting were José Pavón (PY), Heriberto Echezuría (VE), Daniela Pollak (CL), Ricardo Rocca (AR), Paulo Orostegui (CL), Roberto Terzariol (AR, past VP of ISSMGE), Alejo Sfriso (VP ISSMGE), Alessander Kormann (BR), Nicolás Zabrodiec (PY), Carlos Rodriguez (CO), Alexandre Gusmão (BR) and Marcos Massao Futai (BR). Dr. Eda Quadros (President, ISRM) was invited as observer. Sfriso briefed the group about the activities of ISSMGE in the region and reported back on ISSMGE initiatives, including Online Library, webinars, ISSMGE University, Touring Lectures, and the “Wiki-Book”. During the meeting, the group unanimously decided to support Chile to host PCSMGE 2023. Daniela and Paulo thanked the group for this strong support and promised to organize a great conference. It was a very friendly and relaxed meeting, typical of the South American people. Thank you, Alessander Kormann and ABMS for hosting this meeting and supporting the activities of ISSMGE in South America.

Photo 1. Group photo during the meeting
The conference started with a welcome speech delivered by Prof. N. J. Mattei, and Prof. Khalid El-Zahaby with Glenn W. Hewus and Prof. Charles W. W. Ng who explained the objectives of the conference. After the welcoming delegates and participant, the keynote lecture started with R. A. Kemper and G. W. Hewus. The inaugural day spent with the inspiring lectures in the area of pile foundation, earthquake engineering and rock mechanics. It was enlightening and inspiring in the presence of well-known distinguished. After that, for three days, six keynote lectures were delivered in pre-lunch session and post-lunch session parallel oral sessions conducted on the different themes. The parallel session focused on the sustainability issues in geotechnical engineering and civil infrastructures, soil and rock mechanics, ground engineering, geosynthetics engineering, sustainable pavement engineering, expansive and problematic soils, deep foundation, shallow foundation, ground improvement, soil structure interaction, structures and bridge engineering, numerical methods in geotechnical engineering, soil testing and slope stability.

I attended sustainable issues in geotechnical engineering, expansive and problematic soils, sustainable pavement engineering, ground improvement, soil testing and slope stability sessions. The lecture by Prof. Buddhima Indraratna on “Application of Geo-inclusion for sustainable rail infrastructure under Increased axle loads and higher speeds” illustrate detail modelling experiments in the laboratory with successful practical application on feld. Prof. William Powrie explains the importance of fibre reinforcement in rail applications. Prof. Helmunt F. Schweiger’s explain about numerical models for the study of geotechnical problems. Prof. Anand J. Puppala talked about the ettringite generation when sulfate soil is going to stabilized with lime and cement and the remedial measures for the problems. Prof. J.P. Giroud explained the canal lining with the help of geomembranes with and without concrete lining. In parallel sessions the topics presented by the different presenter from the different countries were interesting. In the area of stabilisation of expansive soils and sustainable pavement engineering, the researcher presented different solutions with laboratory experimental and their practical use. Microstructural change in soil by using chemical stabilisation got my interest and going to help me in my research work for stabilisation of expansive soils with Corex Slag. The discussion during my presentation in the session of was useful with the participants and as well as with chairpersons Prof. Aminaton Marto and Prof. Suzan Saad. The whole conference was a useful, informative and inspiring experience for me. I am grateful to ISSMGE foundation to give me the financial assistance to attain this prestigious conference.

Figure 1. A glimpse of presentation by a keynote speaker
Figure 2. During my presentation in the conference

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Please refer to the specific conference website for full details and latest information.

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13th Australia New Zealand Conference On Geomechanics 2019
Date: 01-04-2019 - 03-04-2019
Location: Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, Australia
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Geotechnical Challenges In Karst
Location: Hotel Plaža Omiš, Omiš , Croatia
Date: 11-04-2019 - 13-04-2019
Language: Croatian/English
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Prague Geotechnical Days 2019
Location: Czech Academy of Science, Czech Republic, Prague
Date: 13-05-2019 - 14-05-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Czech and Slovak Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering, SG Geotechnika,
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4th International Conference “Transportation Soil Engineering in Cold Regions”
Location: St. Petersburg, Russia,
Date: 20-05-2019 - 23-05-2019
Language: English
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Event Diary (Con’t)

14th International Conference on Under-Ground Construction Prague 2019
Location: Clarion Congress Hotel Prague, Czech Republic
Date: 03-06-2019 - 05-06-2019
Languages: English & Czech (simultaneous translation provided)
Organiser: Czech Tunnelling Association, ITA-AITES
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Website: https://www.ucprague.com/

7 ICEGE 2019 - International Conference on Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering
Date: 17-06-2019 - 20-06-2019
Location: Rome, Italy
Language: English
Organizer: TC203 and AGI (Italian Geotechnical Society)
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IS-Glasgow 2019 - 7th International Symposium on Deformation Characteristics of Geomaterials
Location: Technology and Innovation Centre (TIC) of the University of Strathclyde, United Kingdom,
Glasgow
Date: 26-06-2019 - 29-06-2019
Language: English
Organiser: TC101
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Website: https://www.is-glasgow2019.org.uk

ISDCG 2019 – 7th International Symposium on Deformation Characteristics of Geomaterials
Date: 26-06-019 - 28-06-2019
Location: Technology and Innovation Centre (TIC) of the University of Strathclyde, Scotland, UK
Language: English
Organizer: TC101
Website: in construction

7th Asia-Pacific Conference on Unsaturated Soils
Date: 23-08-2019 - 25-08-2019
Location: Nagoya Congress Center, Nagoya, Japan
Language: English
Organiser: Prof. Feng ZHANG - The Japanese Geotechnical Society. Supported by: TC106 Unsaturated Soils of ISSMGE
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Website: https://www.jiban.or.jp/e/activities/events/20190823-25-seventh-asia-pacific-conference-on-unsaturated-soils/
Event Diary (Con’t)

ECSMGE 2019 - XVII European Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering
Date: 01-09-2019 - 06-09-2019
Location: Harpa Conference Centre Reykjavik, Iceland
Language: English
Organizer: The Icelandic Geotechnical Society
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3rd International Conference “Challenges in Geotechnical Engineering” CGE-2019
Date: 10-09-2019 - 13-09-2019
Location: University of Zielona Gora (Poland),
Language: English
Organiser: University of Zielona Gora (Poland) and Kyiv National University of Construction and Architecture (Ukraine)
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1st Mediterranean Young Geotechnical Engineers Conference
Location: Kefaluka Resort Hotel, Bodrum, Mugla, Turkey
Dates: 23-09-2019 - 24-09-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Turkish Society for ISSMGE - ZMGM
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27th European Young Geotechnical Engineers Conference
Location: Kefaluka Resort Hotel, Bodrum, Mugla, Turkey
Language: English
Organiser: Turkish Society for ISSMGE - ZMGM
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3rd International Conference on Information Technology in Geo-Engineering (3RD ICITG2019)
Date: 29-09-2019 - 02-10-2019
Location: Cultural Centre of Vila Flor, Guimarães, Portugal
Language: English
Organiser: University of Minho and Portuguese Geotechnical Society under the auspices of JTC2 of FedIGS
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XVII African Regional Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering
Date: 07-10-2019 - 10-10-2019
Location: Cape Town Convention Centre, South Africa
Language: English
Organiser: SAICE
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XVI Asian Regional Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering
Date: 21-10-2019 - 25-10-2019
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XVI Panamerican Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering
Date: 18-11-2019 - 22-11-2019
Location: Cancun, Quintana Roo, Mexico
Organizer: SMIG
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The 4th International Conference on Geotechnics for Sustainable Infrastructure Development
Location: National Convention Center (NCC), Hanoi, Vietnam,
Date: 28-11-2019 - 29-11-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Vietnamese Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (VSSMGE), FECON Corporation, Thuyloi University (TLU), and Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd (KKC, Japan)
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9th Asian Young Geotechnical Engineers Conference
Location: University of Engineering & Technology (UET) Lahore, Pakistan
Date: 05-12-2019 - 07-12-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Pakistan Geotechnical Engineering Society (PGES)
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15th International Conference on Geotechnical Engineering, and 9th Asian Young Geotechnical Engineers Conference
Location: Lahore, Pakistan,
Date: 05-12-2019 - 07-12-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Pakistan Geotechnical Engineering Society (PGES)
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14th Baltic Sea Geotechnical Conference 2020
Date: 25-05-2020 - 27-05-2020
Location: Clarion Hotel Helsinki, Finland
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18th NGM Nordic Geotechnical Meeting
Date: 25-05-2020 - 27-05-2020
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International Conference on Geotechnical Engineering Education
Location: Greece, Athens
Date: 24-06-2020 - 25-06-2020
Language: English
Organiser: TC306
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4th European Conference on Unsaturated Soils - Unsaturated Horizons
Location: Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, Portugal,
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Date: 24-06-2020 - 26-06-2020
Language: English
Organiser: IST, TUDelft and UPC
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TC204: Geotechnical Aspects of Underground Construction In Soft Ground - TC204 Cambridge 2020
Date: 29-06-2020 - 01-07-2020
Location: University of Cambridge, United Kingdom
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6th International Conference on Geotechnical and Geophysical Site Characterization
Date: 07-09-2020 - 11-09-2020
Location: Budapest Congress Center, Hungary, Budapest
Language: English
Organizer: Hungarian Geotechnical Society
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3rd International Symposium on Coupled Phenomena in Environmental Geotechnics
Location: Kyoto University, Japan
Date: 29-10-2020 - 30-10-2020
Language: English
Organiser: TC215 (Environmental Geotechnics), Japanese Geotechnical Society (JGS), and Kyoto University
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Winter School on Geomechanics for Energy and the Environment
Location: Eurotel Victoria, Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland
Date: 22-01-2019 - 24-01-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Prof. Lyesse Laloui and Prof. Alessio Ferrari (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne - EPFL)
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Location: Saint Petersburg State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering, Russia, Saint Petersburg
Date: 06-02-2019 - 08-02-2019
Languages: Russian, English
Organiser: Saint Petersburg State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering
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XXV. Széchy Károly Memorial Session
Location: Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary
Date: 08-02-2019 - 09-02-2019
Language: Hungarian, English
Organiser: Hungarian Geotechnical Society
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National Transport Infrastructure Workshop (NTIW) 2019
Location: Pullman Sydney Hyde Park, Australia
Date: 13-02-2019 - 14-02-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Australia Research Council Industry Transformation Training Centre for Advanced Technologies in Rail Track Infrastructure
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Intensive Short-Course on "Energy Geostructures: Analysis and Design" - 2nd Edition
Location: Lausanne, Switzerland,
Date: 06-03-2019 - 08-03-2019
Language: English
Organizer: Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne (EPFL)
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International Conference on Advances in Structural and Geotechnical Engineering 2019
Location: Hurghada, Egypt
Date: 25-03-2019 - 28-03-2019
Language: English
Organiser: Structural Engineering Department - Tanta University - Egypt
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2nd International Intelligent Construction Technologies Group Conference
Date: 23-04-2019 - 25-04-2019
Location: Beijing Hotel, Beijing, China
Language: English and Mandarin
Organiser: International Intelligent Construction Technologies Group (IICTG)
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2nd International Conference on Natural Hazards and Infrastructure
Location: Minoa Palace Resort, Chania, Greece, Chania
Date: 23-06-2019 - 26-06-2019
Language: English
Organiser: The Innovation Center on Natural Hazards and Infrastructure
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EUROCLAY, Paris 2019: Geotechnical characterisation of clayey geomaterials from micro to macroscale: the role of microstructure and anisotropy
Location: Pierre & Marie Curie University, Sorbonne Universités, Paris, France
Date: 01-07-2019 - 05-07-2019
Language: English
Organiser: French Clay Group (GFA), part of the European Clay Groups Association (ECGA)
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ISRM - 14th International Congress of Rock Mechanics
Location: Bourbon Cataratas Convention & Spa Resort, Foz do Iguassu, Brazil
Date: 13-09-2019 - 18-09-2019
Language: English
Organiser: ABMS, SAIG, SPG
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12th Asian Regional Congress of IAEG
Location: Booyoung Jeju Hotel & Resort, South Korea, Seogwipo-si
Date: 21-09-2019 - 27-09-2019
Language: English
Organiser: The Korean Society of Engineering Geology and Korea national group of International Association of Engineering Geology and the Environment (IAEG)
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Canadian Geotechnical Society’s Annual Conference
Location: St. John’s Convention Centre in St. John’s, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada,
Date: 29-09-2019 - 02-10-2019
Organiser: Canadian Geotechnical Society
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DFI 44th Annual Conference on Deep Foundations
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ReSyLAB & GEO-EXPO 2019 - Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Location: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Date: 23-10-2019 - 25-10-2019
Languages: Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian and English
Organiser: Geotechnical Society of Bosnia and Herzegovina
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16th International Conference of the International Association for Computer Methods and Advances in Geomechanics - IACMAG
Location: Politecnico di Torino Conference Centre, Italy
Date: 29-06-2020 - 03-07-2020 English
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DFI 45th Annual Conference on Deep Foundations
Dates: 13-10-2020 - 16-10-2020
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Fifth World Landslide Forum
Dates: 02-11-2020 - 06-11-2020
Location: Kyoto International Conference Center, Kyoto, Japan
Organizer: International Consortium on Landslides
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