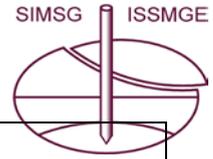


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REPORT ON CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

<p>Your Name: Ani Kosho</p>	<p>Your Organization: Albanian Geotechnical Society</p>	<p>Date of report: 05 /09/2013</p>
<p>Conference Title: Fifth International Young Geotechnical Engineers' Conference (5iYGEC'13)</p>	<p>Location of Conference: Paris, France</p>	<p>Dates of Conference: August 31 2013 to September 6 2013</p>
<p>What you learned: The conference helped me a lot to understand what are the main geotechnical concerns in other countries and what are my colleagues dealing with in their professional life. The opportunity to participate for two days at the 18th International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering was also a great chance for me to meet with some of the greatest researcher and authors in the field of geotechnical engineering. It was interesting to understand how the academic life in Japan is organized and what can be improved in Albania, following their experience. During this conference I have identified what I could improve for the purpose of contributing in the advancement of the Geotechnical Society in Albania.</p>		
<p>People you met: Prof Jean-Louis Briaud – President of ISSMGE Prof Ivan Vaníček, Geotechnical Department Faculty of Civil Engineering Czech Technical University in Prague Professor Heinz Brandl – The 2013 recipient of the prestigious ISSMGE Awards Other young geotechnical engineers and professors.</p>		
<p>Main features of conference: The Conference was held in two days, from August 31 to September 1 and was organized in 8 parallel sessions a, b and c. The main features: slope stability; laboratory testing; foundations; ground improvement; earth works; in-situ testing; soil behaviour; tunnel and underground structures; earthquake and soil dynamics, etc. After each session there was time for talking with other participants and the conference turned into a interactive communication between all of us.</p>		
<p>Your comments on the conference: The conference was very well-organized and the organizing committee was very kind with all of us and patient for resolving all the inquiries. Congratulations to all of them for this conference.</p>		
<p>Please attach short report (maximum 400 words) suitable for publication in the ISSMGE</p>		

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Albanian Geotechnical Society

Nominee : Ani Kosho

As a nominee member of the Albanian Geotechnical Society, I was very privileged to represent this society in an International event of greater importance as was the 5th IYGEC.

The participation in this important event was a great success for my professional career in the geotechnical engineering field. I had the opportunity to meet engineers from all over the world and to learn a lot from them.

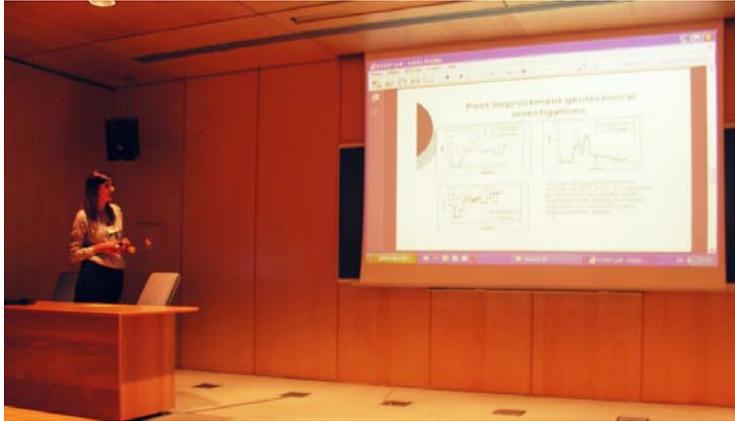
The most interesting feature of the conference was discussing for each paper with the authors and with the professors that were present. During these discussions I had the opportunity to create contacts and links with researchers and that deal with topics similar to mine and we can continue to communicate and to shear ideas with each other.

One of the beautiful things of this conference was the gala diner. In the young engineers dinner we had the opportunity to talk about how they organize their days at work; how they organize their research studies and also talking about the opportunities each country has for the development of the geotechnical engineering.

The gala dinner was a dinner to be remembered, everything was perfect, I was surrounded by a lot of professor and has the possibility to talk with them for all the conference themes and for the opportunity that geotechnical field has in Albania.

Finally I want to thank all the people that helped me to attend this conference, starting from the President of ISSMGE, Prof. Jean Luis Briaud, ISSMGE Foundation and Prof. Harry Poulos. To Prof. Luljeta Bozo, President of Albanian Geotechnical Society, for the continuous support for the young geotechnical members of AGS , to "ALTEA & Geostudio2000" the laboratory that helped me in every steep of my career. A special thanks to Mrs. Severine Beaunier for the work she has done.

Photographs from Conference: Insert here or attach to email



During my presentation at 5th IYGEC



With Albanian participant from AGS at 18th International Conference
(Prof.Dr. Luljeta Bozo, Mr. Skender Allkja, Olsi Koreta)



With Prof. Jean Luis Briaud at gala dinner