



**ISSMGE FOUNDATION
REPORT ON CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

Your Name: Mohammed Elbyhagi Elfadil	Your Organization: Building and Road Research Institute – University of Khartoum	Date of report: 4 March, 2013
Conference Title: 3 rd International Conference in Geotechnical Engineer	Location of Conference: <i>Hammamet, Tunisia</i>	Dates of Conference: <i>21-23 February, 2013</i>
<p>What you learned:</p> <p>I benefitted immensely from the presentations made by professional Geotechnical Engineers who were present at the conference. Specifically, I learnt a lot on the <u>Chemical Stabilization of Problematic Soils</u>, <u>Structural Formation of Transportation Infrastructure in China</u>, <u>Micromechanical Modeling and Analysis of Saturated Granular Soils</u>, <u>Centrifugal Modeling of Soil Contamination and Remediation</u> and <u>Analysis of Dynamic Loading and Penetration of Soils - Applications to Site Investigation and Ground Improvement</u>. The paper sessions cover a whole lot of areas in research in Geotechnical Engineering.</p> <p>I visited the geotechnical research laboratory in National Engineering School and discussed with Prof. Jamei Mehrez about collaboration between us in area of unsaturated soil mechanics as well as to establish contact with Professor Alonso in Barcelona (Spain).</p>		
<p>People you met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prof. Anand J. Puppala (USA) 2. Prof. Samuel U. Ejezie (China) 3. Prof. M. Zeghal (USA) 4. Prof. J.N. Meegoda (USA) 5. Prof. J.P. Carter (Australia) 6. Many Professor from Tunisia 7. Young Geotechnical Eng. from Tunisia, Algeria, France, Turkey, Netherland, Australia, Sweden, Morocco, Iraq, Yemen, UAE and Egypt. 		
<p>Main features of conference:</p> <p>The main features of the conference include,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Keynote lectures by professional geotechnical engineers, 2. Paper sessions on diverse topics (presentations and questions), 3. Tea and Lunch breaks and Gala Dinner 		

Your comments on the conference:

The conference was well organised and successful. The organising committee were very hospitable. The volunteers, most of whom were young graduate engineers, did a very good job. I was impressed by the large number of ladies participants. I particularly liked the opening ceremony and Gala dinner – it was done in a traditional fashion. I really thank the ISSMGE foundation for the kind gesture.

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The 3rd International Geotechnical Engineers conference which took place in Hammamet, Tunisia was the best of its kind. The three-day conference started with registration of the participants on the 21st of February, 2013 and ended at 23th. The conference was flawlessly organized and relatively well attended.

The 3rd ICGE2013 has founded in me a deep-seated interest in geotechnical engineering research activities. I had the opportunity to engage in discussions with both young researchers and our enviable senior colleagues. It was a well-organized conference and the best of its kind. I believe continual hosting of this event will always ignite the already existing passion in young engineers for research and practice of geotechnical engineering. This will lead to enhanced future activities of our dear profession especially in Africa and the entire globe.

Many thanks to the ISSMGE foundation for sponsorship



Me and my colleagues from Sudan and Prof. Anand and Prof. Megooda from USA



Me with organization committee and participants



Me with undergraduate student from Algeria and Chad



Me with undergraduate student from Tunisia