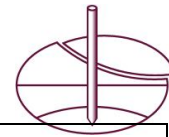




**ISSMGE FOUNDATION
REPORT ON CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

Your Name: <i>Naveen BP</i>	Your Organization: Indian Institute of Science Bangalore, India	Date of report: 24 March 2015
Conference Title: The 30 th International Conference on Solid Waste Technology and Management	Location of Conference: <i>Philadelphia, PA U.S.A</i>	Dates of Conference: <i>March 15-18,2015</i>
What you learned: <i>The 30th International Conference on Solid Waste Technology and Management had provide me a platform for knowledge exchange of the most recent scientific and technological advances and to strengthen the links between the scientific community. This conference has given an opportunity to meet and attend the lectures of pioneer personalities in solid waste management area.</i> <i>Opening Plenary lecture given by Dr. Lakshmi Raghupathy about "the research needs for carbon footprint in recycling scenarios" was good. Dr. Ali Khatami lecture was good and it was very help ful to my research work. This conference has given the opportunity to interact with professors, students, senior consultants, directors from different parts of the world and shared our ideas on research. The paper presented in the panel sessions are high quality and discussions were very effective. I presented my oral presentation on March 16,2015 in the session 4B titled " Geotechnical and Mining Advances" and poster presentation on March 17,2015 in the poster session 2. It was very much interactive and could share ides with each other.</i> <i>Many presentations has inspire me with new ideas, while a few will be obviously ill-prepared. Both types can be quite useful for me to realize that my ideas are more significant and I could write a better paper than this. All these experiences will help me feel as though me as i am active, knowledgeable, and valuable member of your professional field.</i>		
People you met: <i>I got an opportunity to meet many delegates and professional leaders from industry and academia. A few of them are listed below:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><i>1. Dr. Ali Khatami (SCS Engineers)</i><i>2. Prof. Hao Chen (Ordos Institute of Solid Waste Technology RCEES of CAS)</i><i>3. Prof. EMN Chirwa (University of Pretoria)</i><i>4. Prof. Lu-Ming Chen (University of Illinois)</i><i>5. Dr. Vatsal A. Shah (Hatch Mott MacDonald)</i><i>6. Prof. Ing. Wilson Acchar (Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte,Brazil)</i><i>7. Prof. Iraj Zandi (University of Pennsylvania)</i><i>8. Prof. Ronald L.Mersky (Widener University)</i>		



Main features of conference:

The presentations at the conferences covered most of the topics and problems faced by geotechnical and geoenvironmental issues around the world. The conference has great keynote lectures delivered by geotechnical and geoenvironmental professionals from all around the world. The technical committee's professional education short courses were very informative, intense, and fruitful. Another interesting feature was the various technical field trips namely: Environmental Landfill and recycling ,Energy Recovery and recycling. etc. I should note here that the conferences were perfectly organized. The exhibition hall was a great place to meet professionals, contractors, consultants from different countries with different backgrounds.

Your comments on the conference:

The conferences was attended by a large number of professionals from all around the world with different academic backgrounds. The conference was very well organized and I am glad I had the chance to attend these conferences. The quality of the papers and presentations were very high. Especially the variety of themes in the keynote lectures and technical sessions were excellent.

Please attach short report (maximum 400 words) suitable for publication in the ISSMGE

Bulletin:

30th International Conference on Solid Waste Technology and Management, Philadelphia, PA, USA. March 15-18,2015.

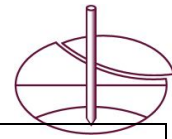
The International Conference on Solid Waste Technology and Management started on the 15th of March with an opening ceremony at 8:00 A.M with more than 500 participation. The program included two days of plenary sessions given by senior different universities covering different topics of the honour of great geotechnical and geoenvironmental issues that made great contribution to our field. The 3rd and 4th day were allocated for poster presentation, profession education short courses and field trip organized by different technical committees covering all aspect of geotechnical engineering.

I presented my oral presentation on March 16,2015 in the session 4B titled " Geotechnical and Mining Advances" and poster presentation on March 17,2015 in the poster session 2. I attended most of the sessions and presentation given by my colleagues on the different topics of geotechnical and geoenvironmental engineering.

During the sessions breaks, I had the chance to meet Ph.D. students from different areas of this world, communicate with them, and share my research interest and work. During this conference too, I had the chance to meet the organizers and the chair, Prof. Ronald L. Mersky. The conference ended on the 18st of March with a closing ceremony and a summary.

This conference gave me the opportunity to increase my knowledge in the different fields of geotechnical and geo environmental engineering as a Ph.D. student. It gave me the opportunity to meet leaders of academia and industry in this field. I had the chance to talk to many future researched about potential future work and collaboration in the academia and industry fields.

At the end, I would like to thank ISSMGE foundation for funding my trip



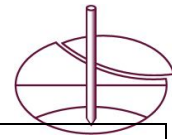
Photographs from Conference:



During my oral presentation



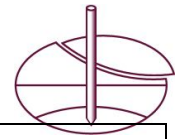
During my poster presentation



With Prof. Lu-Ming Chen



In the 30th ICSTM 2015 exhibition area



During the technical Field Trip



Closing ceremony