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REPORT ON CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

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What you learned:

CREST 2023 provided a platform for networking and collaborating with professionals, researchers, and experts from around the world. The conference offered opportunities for professional development through keynote speeches, workshops, and presentations by leading figures in the field. The conference helped me gain insights into the latest research, trends, and innovations. The conference also served as a platform for showcasing my own research, garnering feedback, and establishing connections for future collaborations. Moreover, exposure to different cultural approaches and practices during conferences in a country like Japan adds an enriching dimension, promoting cross-cultural understanding and appreciation.

People you met:

I have met and talked to many scientists and experts from different countries. A few of them are listed below:

1. Prof. Hemant Hazarika, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan
2. Prof. Anand Puppala, Texas A&M University, USA
3. Prof. Toshiro Hata, Hiroshima University, Japan
4. Prof. Mitsu Okamura, Ehime University, Japan
5. Dr. Adnan Anwar Malik, Lecturer and Program Coordinator, Newcastle Australia

Main features of conference:

The conference aimed to bring together diverse perspectives towards a more sustainable and resilient future. The conference served as a crucial platform for addressing the intricate challenges that the world is facing today. Emphasizing resource management in construction engineering, the event successfully highlighted key issues in this topic. Notably, the conference not only presented research findings but also showcased practical applications. In essence, the conference played a pivotal role in bridging theoretical knowledge with actionable strategies, reinforcing its significance in driving positive change within the construction industry and beyond.

Your comments on the conference:

The conference was very well organized and thoughtfully planned, achieving a harmonious balance across diversified fields of study while ensuring active participation from all
attendees. I thank the organizing committee of the 2nd International Conference on Construction Resources for Environmentally Sustainable Backfills (CREST-2023) for organizing such a wonderful event. The planning and execution by the organizing team were commendable in all respects. The conference, as a whole, provided a comprehensive and enriching experience, facilitating not only the exchange of cutting-edge research but also fostering meaningful connections within the global community.

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

The CREST 2023 conference, held in Fukuoka, Japan, emerged as a beacon of innovation and collaboration in the realm of sustainable construction engineering. The conference took place from 20 to 22nd November, 2023. The conference started with a technical tour offering participants insightful site visits to key civil engineering projects in Fukuoka. Throughout the event, attendees from all over the world were treated to a rich program featuring a series of keynote lectures, engaging technical presentations, and outstanding poster sessions.

Each conference day aimed to actively engage researchers, featuring invited lectures, special sessions, and panel discussions that offered diverse perspectives on sustainable construction practices. These activities facilitated the exchange of ideas and provided a platform for in-depth discussions on crucial geo-environmental topics. Attendees had the opportunity to interact with professionals, gaining insights into the technical tools available for addressing a spectrum of geotechnical engineering challenges. By focusing on sustainable construction engineering, the conference aligned with the pressing need for innovative solutions in the face of environmental challenges.

In summary, CREST 2023 stood out as a remarkable event, uniting professionals globally and serving as a platform for enriching discussions and knowledge exchange. Expressing gratitude, I extend my thanks to the ISSMGE Foundation for their financial support, a crucial contribution that significantly enhanced my knowledge within my field through this impactful and important conference.

Photographs from Conference:
At International Congress Centre, Fukuoka, Japan

Presenting technical paper at conference
Delegates at the conference