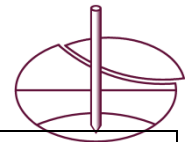


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REPORT ON CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

<p><b>Your Name:</b> Sergii Tabachnikov</p>	<p><b>Your Organization:</b> O.M. Beketov National University of Urban Economy in Kharkiv, Ukraine</p>	<p><b>Date of report:</b></p>
<p><b>Conference Title:</b> The 6th International Young Geotechnical Engineers' Conference (iYGEC6) and The 19th International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (19th ICSMGE)</p>	<p><b>Location of Conference:</b>  Seoul, Korea</p>	<p><b>Dates of Conference:</b>  16–17 and 17–22 September 2017</p>
<p><b>What you learned:</b> First of all, during two conferences there were such sections as Foundations and Deep foundations, where interesting reports were presented by scientists and engineers from all over the world. This experience is invaluable for me and the opportunity to discuss interesting moments in personal conversations was a pleasant professional bonus. No less interesting were the reports in other sections as well as special lectures during both conferences. Together, this is a good baggage of knowledge and experience that I can share with colleagues and students.</p>		
<p><b>People you met:</b> I have met and talked to many professors from different countries. A few of them are listed below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prof. Sang Seom Jeong (Korea)</li> <li>2. Prof. Askar Zhussupbekov (Kazakhstan)</li> <li>3. Prof. Roger Frank (France)</li> <li>4. Prof. Antonio Gens (Spain)</li> </ol>		
<p><b>Main features of conference:</b> The 6th International Young Geotechnical Engineers' Conference (iYGEC6) and The 19th International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (19th ICSMGE) had the same main features. The main features of the conference include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Opening session and Closing ceremony</li> <li>2. Special and Keynote Lecturers</li> <li>3. Presentations and questions</li> <li>4. Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner.</li> </ol>		
<p><b>Your comments on the conference:</b> Both conferences were superbly organized. For participants of the youth conference, a convenient transfer from the hotel to the National University of Seoul and back was organized. COEX was not far away from hotel. During the two conferences, a professional team worked, which was always ready to help. I enjoyed all the moments both organizational and professional during two wonderful conferences.</p>		



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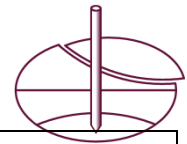
The 6th International Young Geotechnical Engineers' Conference (iYGEC6), which took place at National University of Seoul (Global Education Center for Engineers) and The 19th International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (19th ICSMGE) which took place at COEX, were hosted by Korean Geotechnical Society. The two-day iYGEC6 started with registration of the participants on 16th of September, 2017 and ended on 17th with 19th ICSMGE Welcome Reception at COEX. The iYGEC6, has included two days of technical paper presentations. The conference was organized at a high level. The conference was organized at a high level. On the first day of the conference, the opening ceremony was held, where Moonkyung Chung, Roger Frank, Sangseom Jeong performed. There were two keynote lectures during conference, which were provided by Professors Choong-Ki Chung (Korea) and Za-Chieh Moh (Taiwan).

The 19th International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (19th ICSMGE) consisted of 6 days (17-22 Sept.), including Welcome Reception, Opening Ceremony, Terzaghi Oration, Bishop, James K. Mitchell, Heritage, Schofield, Blight, Proctor, Ishihara, Gregory Tschebotarioff, Louis Menard, R.K. Rowe, Kerisel, Suzanne Lacasse Lectures, working of Technical Committees, reports, Closing Ceremony and Technical Visits. The theme of the 19th ICSMGE was "Unearth the Future, Connect Beyond [ ]." During first two days interesting and fundamental lectures were provided by Professors: David Muir Wood (UK), John Powell (UK), Mark Randolph (Australia), Delwyn G. Fredlund (Canada), Antonio Gomes Correia (Portugal), Jonathan D Bray (USA), Chris Haberfield (Australia), Buddhima Indraratna (Australia), Mario Manassero (Italy), Carlo Viggiani (Italy), Farrokh Nadim (Norway).

It was interesting and useful attend Younger Member Forum (YMPG - Young Member Presidential Group) where challenges and opportunities facing younger members were discussed.

At the Closing Ceremony, the new president (Professor Charles Ng) of ISSMGE and his new team were introduced, who were elected earlier and next ICSMGE 2021 host city – Sydney was presented.

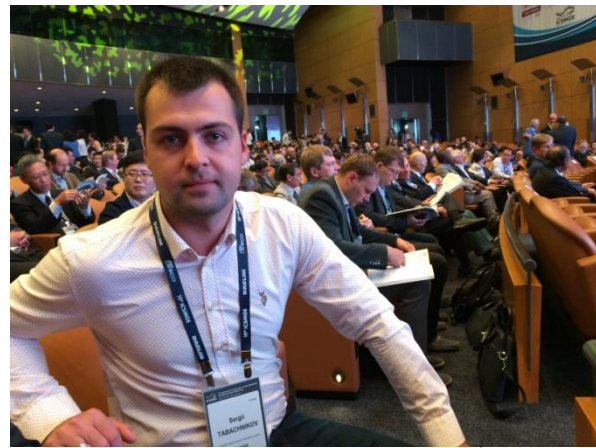
Thanks to the ISSMGE and these conferences I got an excellent opportunity to meet and talk to many professors, researchers and engineers from different countries and many other potential research collaborators as well. I would like to thank ISSMGE in general and ISSMGE Foundation for the opportunity to participate in such high-level conferences and for their award.



**Photographs from Conference:**



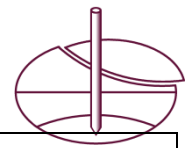
Before my presentation at The iYGEC6



At the Opening Ceremony of The 19<sup>th</sup> ICSMGE



During my presentation on 17<sup>th</sup> September (Foundation II, Room 520, GECE)



All participants of The iYGEC6 from more than 50 countries with Presidents and Chairs



Very beautiful landscape of Seoul at sunset