

The ISSMGE Foundation

A charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) associated with the
International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering

Charity Commission of England and Wales - No. 1153795

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OBJECTIVE

The concept of the ISSMGE Foundation dates back to September 2009, when Professor Jean-Louis Briaud, the newly-elected President of the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (ISSMGE) in his acceptance speech to the ISSMGE Council Meeting (Alexandria, Egypt), introduced his vision of a foundation that would enable geotechnical engineers from around the world to make better use of resources that may otherwise be inaccessible to them. These resources would include participation in conferences, attending knowledge development courses, etc, with a view to enhancing the awardees own education and professional formation and, as a result, their contribution to society at large. In short, and as stated in the Foundation constitution, its objective is “the advancement of education and educational training in the field of geotechnical engineering and its applications for the public benefit”.

In September 2013, The ISSMGE Foundation achieved charitable status and was entered onto the Register of Charities of the Charity Commission of England and Wales, with the Registered Charity Number 1153795.

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The ISSMGE Foundation currently has three trustees: Professor Jean-Louis Briaud, Professor Michael C.R. Davies, and Professor R. Neil Taylor, all three of whom have been heavily involved in the Foundation since its inception and all contribute to decisions concerning the granting of awards. In the future and as the Foundation develops, the Trustees may find it necessary to name additional trustees. The new trustees may be recruited from the ISSMGE Membership, from its own (past) beneficiaries, or from other independent institutions, depending on the needs arising and skills and experience required to consolidate the activities of the Foundation.

Professor Taylor is also in charge of the day-to-day management; the ISSMGE Foundation does not have salaried staff members. Administrative support is provided by the ISSMGE itself.

ACTIVITIES

The purpose of the Foundation is to award grants to applicants who fulfil the requirements as specified below.

PROCEDURE FOR AWARDING GRANTS

The financial assistance is in the form of a bursary which the successful applicant can use to pay registration costs, travel and/or accommodation expenses. Applicants are strongly encouraged to become members of their national geotechnical societies, and subsequently of the ISSMGE.

The following procedure has been developed to assess applications for ISSMGE Foundation bursaries:

- a. Applications can be submitted four times yearly (at 3-month intervals) on a standard form, to the Secretary General of ISSMGE;

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- b. These applications are sent to the trustees (Professor Jean-Louis Briaud, Professor Michael Davies, and Professor Neil Taylor);
- c. The trustees assess the applications on the basis of the following criteria:
 - i. Demonstration of need;
 - ii. Quality of the activity;
 - iii. Cost-sharing;
 - iv. Potential impact of the activity on the career progress of the individual and of his or her Member Society.
- d. Decisions are made and communicated within the two months following the application round.
- e. After the successful applicant has completed his/her nominated activity, they provide a written report to the Trustees on the benefits that they and their Society have gained from the award of the bursary.

The criteria and procedure described above were established in February 2014, though may be modified when considered necessary.

To date (November 2015), there have been a total of 87 applicants, and 72 bursaries (in total £50,135) have been awarded, a success rate of 82%. Some of this funding took place in the early days through the ISSMGE, prior to the Foundation achieving charitable status.

A full list of awardees is attached, and their reports are available to read on the ISSMGE website at: <http://www.issmge.org/en/issmge-foundation/recipients-reports>.

FUND RAISING

Funding for the ISSMGE Foundation is generated from companies and individuals who concur with the objectives of the Foundation. The funding levels are as follows:

- Diamond: \$50,000 and above
- Platinum: \$25,000 to \$49,999
- Gold: \$10,000 to \$24,999
- Silver: \$1000 to \$9,999
- Bronze: \$0 to \$999

The names of the donors are recognized with the corresponding levels on the ISSMGE web site under the page dedicated to the ISSMGE Foundation, in the ISSMGE Bulletin on the page dedicated to the ISSMGE Foundation. They are also recognized at International Conferences on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering. A full list of donors is attached to this report.

At the meeting in Paris in September 2013, the ISSMGE Council agreed that the forecast annual surplus (of approximately £50,000 in 2012) over the society's cash balance of £500,000 should be transferred to the Foundation. Furthermore, it was agreed that future annual surpluses should be transferred to the ISSMGE Foundation, thus ensuring an annual injection of funding. As a result, once the ISSMGE Accounts for 2013 were completed, the ISSMGE President (Roger Frank), the Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee (Mark Jaksa) and Secretary General (Neil Taylor) agreed a donation to the ISSMGE Foundation of £170,000. For 2014, the donation agreed was £70,000.

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Cash reserves at the end of 2014 were £240,202 (as per audited accounts, extract attached). As of November 2015, the Foundation has reserves in the order of £303,000. Currently, the Board is considering awards to the value of approximately \$1500 dollars (c. £1000).

American Fund for Charities

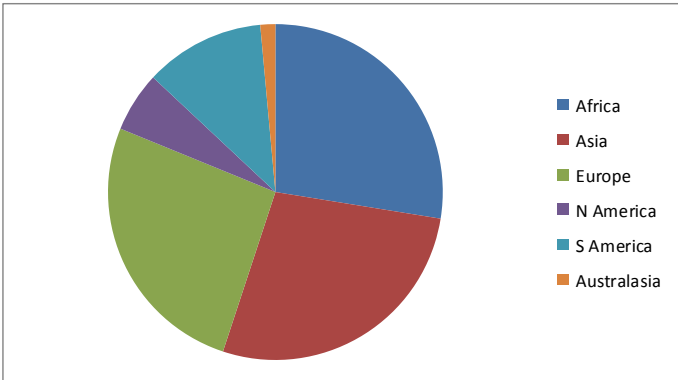
In April 2014, the ISSMGE Foundation successfully applied to become a member of the America Fund for Charities (AFC - <http://www.americanfund.info>). The AFC is a US 501(c)(3) non-profit organisation which allows donations from US taxpayers to be tax deductible to the extent allowed by US Law.

IMPACT OF ISSMGE FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES

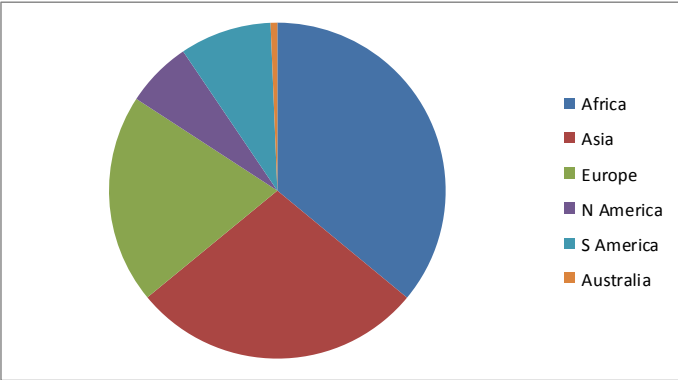
It is clear that the financial assistance provided by the ISSMGE Foundation has started to have a very positive impact on the individuals receiving the bursaries and consequently on their Member Societies.

As awareness of the awards becomes more widespread among our Member Societies, the number of applications has increased. This was particularly noticeable in the run-up to the 18th International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering, and the associated International Young Engineers Geotechnical Conference, both in Paris in September 2013.

Number of grants awarded per region (as of November 2015)



Comparative value of grants awarded per region (as of November 2015)



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The ISSMGE Foundation is fulfilling its objective of providing financial help to geotechnical engineers throughout the world who wish to further their knowledge and practice through activities which they could not otherwise afford.

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DONORS 2009 - PRESENT

DIAMOND - \$50,000 and above

- International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering
- Mrs Janet and Professor Jean-Louis Briaud

PLATINUM - \$25,000 to \$49,999

GOLD - \$10,000 to \$24,999

- International IGM s.a.r.l
- Geo-Institute of ASCE
- Japanese Geotechnical Society
- Chinese Institution of Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering
- Korean Geotechnical Society
- Comité Français de la Mécanique des Sols et de Géotechnique

SILVER - \$1000 to \$9,999

- Professor John H. Schmertmann
- Deep Foundations Institute
- Yonsei University
- California Geotechnical Engineers Association
- Professor Ikuo Towhata
- Chinese Taipei Geotechnical Society
- Professor Zuyu Chen
- East China Architectural Design & Research Institute Co., Ltd
- ISSMGE TC Ground Improvement (TC211)
- Professor Askar Zhussupbekov
- ISSMGE TC Forensic Geotechnical Engineering (TC302)
- Professor Yoshinori Iwasaki
- Mr Clyde N. Baker, Jr.
- Professor Hideki Ohta
- Professor Eun Chul Shin
- Professor Tadatsugu Tanaka

BRONZE - \$0 to \$999

- Professor Mehmet T. Tümay
- Nagadi Consultants (P) Ltd
- Professor Anand J. Puppala

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AWARDEES 2009 - PRESENT

Name	Member Society	Event	Award Paid	Award to pay
Imen Said	Association Tunisienne de Mécanique des Sols	Int Conf Env Geotech, New Delhi, Nov 2010	USD350	
Juan Ayala	Sociedad Chilena de Geotecnia	5Int Conf Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering, Santiago, Chile Jan 2011	USD250	
Mauricio Andrés Jara Ortiz	Sociedad Chilena de Geotecnia	5Int Conf Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering, Santiago, Chile Jan 2011	USD250	
Pablo Antonio Gacitúa Cárcamo	Sociedad Chilena de Geotecnia	5Int Conf Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering, Santiago, Chile Jan 2011	USD250	
Nadeej Hansaraj Priyankara	Sri Lankan Geotechnical Society (SLGS)	14th Asian CSMGE, Hong Kong, May 23-27, 2011	USD700	
Gilberto Quevedo Sotolongo	Comisión Técnica Nacional de Mecánica de Suelos e Ingeniería Geotécnica	Pan-Am/CGS 2011 Toronto, Canada, October 2011	CAD932	
Yoermes González Haramboure	Comisión Técnica Nacional de Mecánica de Suelos e Ingeniería Geotécnica	Pan-Am/CGS 2011 Toronto, Canada, October 2011	CAD932	
Nurgul Alibekova	Kazakhstan Geotechnical Society	Russian Geotechnical Conference Saint Petersburg, Russia February 2012	USD1300	
Zoran Berisavljević	Serbian Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering	Plaxis Advanced Course on Computational Geotechnics, Istanbul, Turkey April 2012,	USD1000	
Faith Etunem Osegi	Nigerian Geotechnical Association	3AYGEC, Cairo November 2012.	USD1600	
Ching Hung	Geo-Institute of ASCE	7th Asian YGEC Tokushima, Japan Sept 2012	USD1400	
Ogbodo Munachiso	Nigerian Geotechnical Association	3AYGEC, Cairo November 2012.	USD1540	
Erdi Myftaraga	Albanian Geotechnical Society	7th Asian YGEC Tokushima, Japan Sept 2012	USD2000	
Baribeop Kabari	Nigerian Geotechnical Association	3AYGEC, Cairo November 2012.	USD2000	
Mohsin Usman Qureshi	Pakistan Geotechnical Engineering Society	7th Asian YGEC Tokushima, Japan Sept 2012	USD1800	
Abir Mejri	Association Tunisienne de Mécanique des Sols	3AYGEC, Cairo November 2012.	USD400	
Abdolreza Osouli	Geo-Institute of ASCE	Geo-Congress Conference 2013, March, San Diego, CA	USD1400	
Mohamed Elbyhagi Elfadil Mohamed	Sudanese Society for SMGE	3rd Int Conf Geotech Engineer, Tunisia, February, 2013	USD1600	
Marcos Alexis Montoro	Sociedad Argentina de Ingeniería Geotécnica	5YGEC'13 Paris, September 2013	USD920	
Heba Kamal	Egyptian Geotechnical Society	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD1800	
Olsi Koreta	Albanian Geotechnical Society	5YGEC'13 Paris, September 2013	USD1000	
Ani Kosho	Albanian Geotechnical Society	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD1500	

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Name	Member Society	Event	Award Paid	Award to pay
Ghassan Akrouch	Geo-Institute of ASCE	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD1000	
Stacey Tucker	Geo-Institute of ASCE	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD1000	
Sergey Poklonsky	Ukrainian Society for Soil Mechanics, Geotechnics and Foundation Engineering	5IYGEC'13 Paris, September 2013	EUR 320*	
Assem Issina	Kazakhstan Geotechnical Society	5IYGEC'13 Paris, September 2013	USD1500	
Layal Maddah	Lebanese Geotechnical Engineering Society	5IYGEC'13 Paris, September 2013	USD1250	
Hai Minh Nguyen	Vietnam Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (VSSMGE)	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD2000	
Serge Aurelian B. Nyogog	Le Comité Transnational des Géotechniciens d'Afrique	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD1350	
Suganya Kuppusamy	Indian Geotech Soc	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD1000	
Jeanne F. Tsala Nomo	Le Comité Transnational des Géotechniciens d'Afrique	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	EUR 1062	
Yelbek Uteпов	Kazakhstan Geotechnical Society	5IYGEC'13 Paris, September 2013	USD1500	
Miloš Marjanović	Serbian Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering	5IYGEC'13 + 18ICSMGE Paris, September 2013	EUR400	
Juan Ayala	Sociedad Chilena de Geotecnia	5IYGEC'13 + 18ICSMGE Paris, September 2013	USD2000	
Aleksej Aniskin	Ukrainian Geotech Soc	5IYGEC'13 + 18ICSMGE Paris, September 2013	EUR 320*	
Rakotomalala Lucie	Le Comité Transnational des Géotechniciens d'Afrique	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	EUR1980	
Abdou Xaadir Gaye	Le Comité Transnational des Géotechniciens d'Afrique	5IYGEC'13 + 18ICSMGE Paris, September 2013	EUR1500	
Menzer Pehlivan,	Turkish National Committee for ISSMGE	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	USD2000	
Talal Awwad	Order of Syrian Engineers and Architects	18ICSMGE, Paris, September 2013	EUR1850	
Sam Divall	British Geotechnical Association	8th Int Conf Physical Modelling in Geotechnics (TC104) Perth, Australia Jan 2014	GBP1071	
Ali Albatal	Egyptian Geotech Soc	3rd International Symposium on Cone Penetration Testing (CPT'14), May , 2014, Las Vegas, NV, USA.	USD1750	
Andre Archer	SAICE Geotechnical Division	8th Int Conf Physical Modelling in Geotechnics (TC104) Perth, Australia Jan 2014	USD2000	
Renjitha Mary Varghese	Indian Geotech Soc	Geo-Congress 2014, Atlanta, USA, February 2014.	USD1000	
Prashanth Vangala	Indian Geotech Soc	Geo-Congress 2014, Atlanta, USA, February 2014.	USD1000	
Amarnath Hegde	Indian Geotech Soc	Geo-Shanghai 2014 May	USD1000	
Dmitry Karpenko	UkrSSMGFE	23 EYGEC Barcelona, Spain Sept 2014	EUR350	
Irina Zavarzina	UkrSSMGFE	23 EYGEC Barcelona, Spain Sept 2014	EUR350	

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Sherif Abdelsalam	Egyptian Geotechnical Society	COBRAMSEG 2014 Goiania, Brazil September 2014	USD1500	
Sabrime Boubaker	Association Tunisienne de Mécanique des Sols	COBRAMSEG 2014 Goiania, Brazil September 2014	USD1500	
Charles Magbo	Nigerian Geotechnical Association	COBRAMSEG 2014 Goiania, Brazil September 2014	USD1000	
Manju GS	Indian Geotech Soc	10 th International Conference On Geosynthetics, Berlin, Germany, Sept 2014	USD1000	
Gustavo Bogado	Sociedad Argentina de Ingeniería Geotécnica	XIV Colombian Geotechnical Conference and IV South American Young Geotechnical Engineers Conference Bogotá, Colombia October 2014	USD1500	
Mohsin Usman Qureshi	Pakistan Geotechnical Engineering Society	7th ICEG Melbourne, Australia November 2014	USD900	
Sampurna Datta	Indian Geotech Soc	7th ICEG Melbourne, Australia November 2014	USD1500	
Naveen, BP	Indian Geotech Soc	30th International Conference on Solid Waste Technology and Management March 2015	USD500	
Djibril Traore	Le Comité Transnational des Géotechniciens d'Afrique	16ème congrès de la géotechnique Tunisia, May 2015	EUR1040	
Joost van der Linden	Australian Geomechanics Soc	Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference 2015	USD500	
Arvind Kumar Jha	Indian Geotech Soc	16ECMSGE, Edinburgh – Sept 2105	USD1700	
Jason Le Masurier	British Geotechnical Association	5th International Symposium on Geotechnical Safety and Risk (Oct 2015)	EUR600	
Ani Kosho	Albanian Geotechnical Society	16 ECMSGE – Edinburgh Sept 2015	USD1000	
Olga Areshkovych	Ukraine Geotech Soc	EYGEC 2015 - Durham, and 16 ECMSGE Edinburgh – Sept 2015	GBP980	
Mouhamadou Moustapha Ndiaye	Le Comité Transnational des Géotechniciens d'Afrique	16ème congrès de la Géotechnique du 27 Avril au 2 Mai, Tunisie	EUR10000	
Mbengue Amar	Le Comité Transnational des Géotechniciens d'Afrique	16ème congrès de la Géotechnique du 27 Avril au 2 Mai, Tunisie	EUR1000	
Emoke Imre	Hungarian Geotechnical Society	16 ECMSGE; Edinburgh, Sept 2015	GBP775	
Anna Shidlovskaya	Russian SSMGFE	16 ECMSGE – Edinburgh, Sept 2015		USD1350
Akhila Manne	Indian Geotech Soc	XV Asian Conf SMGE – Nov 2015		USD1100
Muttana S. Balreddy	Indian Geotech Soc	XV Asian Conf SMGE – Nov 2015		USD1100
Ehsan Jorat	British Geotechnical Association	15th Pan-American Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (XV PCSMGE) - Nov 2015		USD800

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ISSMGE Foundation Accounts For the year ended 31 December 2014

	HSBC Foundation £
RECEIPTS	
Donations	189,762
Interest	195
Total	<hr/> 189,958
 EXPENDITURE	
Awards	30,380
Bank charges	664
Total	<hr/> 31,044
 SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<hr/> 158,914 <hr/>
Transfers from other accounts	81,288
Cash balance at 12th September 2013	81,288
Cash balance at 31st December 2014	240,202