Born in July 1935, Petro I. Kryvosheiev has had a long and illustrious career at the Ukrainian Research Institute for Building Constructions (NIISK) in Kiev, where he has held engineering and scientific positions since 1960, and of which he became Director in 1992. Currently, he is the Head of the Technical Council of NIISK, and is also the President of the Ukrainian Society for Soil Mechanics, Geotechnics and Foundation Engineering.

Throughout the years he has been a leader and innovator in the construction industry in the Ukraine, and has guided the development of NIISK as an important research centre with regional departments in Ukraine.

The ISSMGE joins the NIISK on congratulating Professor P.I. Kryvosheiev on his 80th birthday.