

5ICEGE - Santiago, Chile, 25th-28th June 2007

- 380 delegates (35 countries)
- Hosted by the [Chilean Geotechnical Society](#)
- Conference Chair: Ramon Verdugo



Opening ceremony of the 5ICEGE in Santiago, Chile. From left: Prof. R. Verdugo (Chairman of 5ICEGE), Prof. J-L Briaud (President of ISSMGE), Prof. . Roberto Terzariol (Vice-President of South America) and Prof. K. Pitilakis (Chairman of TC203)



Delegates of 5ICEGE - January 10-13, 2011, Santiago-Chile

The Technical Committee TC203 (ex TC-4) on Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Associated Problems, started up in 1985, reflecting the increasing need and interest of earthquake engineering among the geotechnical engineering community. Professor Kenzi Ishihara was the first chairman, followed by Professor Pedro Seco e Pinto, Professor Liam Finn, Professor Takaji Kokusho and Professor Atilla Ansal (co-chairman). The current chairman is professor Kyriazis Pitilakis. For more than 25 years TC203 has provided the main forum for ISSMGE members in the area of earthquake geotechnical engineering and made significant contributions in responding to the hazards and challenges posed by the major earthquakes.

Following the recent restructuring of ISSMGE and its committees TC 203, is currently composed by 58 members, from academic, consulting and construction industry, representing 27 countries throughout the world, and it covers a wider spectrum of earthquake-associated geotechnical problems.

Following the most successful 4th International Conference on Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering hosted in Thessaloniki Greece, on January 2011, we have had the 5th International Conference on Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering this time in Santiago, Chile. The Technical Committee of Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering (TC203), the Chilean Geotechnical Society and the Civil Engineering Department Chile's University organized the Conference jointly. 213 papers were submitted after peer review selection and most of them were presented orally in the 4 days conference. More than 380 people from 35 countries attended the conference. The attendees included a vast majority of world experts in soil dynamics, earthquake engineering, geotechnical engineering, and earthquake geotechnical engineering and other related topics. Professor Jean -Louis Briaud President of ISSMGE assisted in the opening session and presented an overview of ISSMGE activities and goals.

The third Ishihara Lecture was successfully delivered by Professor Ricardo Dobry of the University of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (USA) with the following title "An Investigation into Why Liquefaction Charts Work: A Necessary Step Toward Integrating the State of the Art and Practice".



3rd Ishihara Lecture by Prof. Ricardo Dobry.



TC203 meeting



Chairman of the 5ICEGE (right: Prof. R. Verdugo) receives the symbol of ICEGE from Chairman of 4ICEGE and TC203 Prof. K. Pitilakis (left).



From left: Prof. Roberto Terzariol (Vice-President of South America), Prof. R. Verdugo (Chairman of 5ICEGE, Chile), Prof. K. Pitilakis (Chairman of TC203, Greece), Prof. R. Dobry (USA), Prof. J-L Biau (President of ISSMGE, USA), Prof. K. Ishihara (Japan), Prof. I. Idriss (USA), Prof. S.P Pinto (Portugul), Prof. T. Kokusho (past Chairman of TC4)..