

News**International Seminar of ISSMGE - Maputo, 30 July 2009**

On the occasion of the first meeting of the Advisory Committee for the 15th African Regional Conference to be held in Mozambique in 2011, ISSMGE and the Mozambican Geotechnical Society (SMG) organized jointly an International Seminar on Geotechnical Engineering. Invited speakers were the members of CAC Prof. Seco e Pinto (Portugal), Prof. Neil Taylor (UK), Prof. Carlos Quadros (Mozambique), Prof. Mounir Bouassida (Tunisia), Prof. Eben Rust (South Africa) and Dr Esve Jacobsz (South Africa). The Seminar took place on July 30, at Hotel VIP in Maputo.

The seminar was a success event. More than 100 participants attended the Seminar where six papers were presented and discussed. Subjects included engineering applications of tropical soils, the use of the piezocone and the centrifuge, retaining structures, soil improvement and geotechnical structures related to underground construction. The audience encompassed practicing geotechnical and civil engineers and university students. The six papers were compiled in a volume of proceedings that was previously distributed to participants

After the seminar, SMG received many positive reactions from participants that were both encouraging and an acknowledgment of the quality of the presentations and discussions.

In the following pictures we can see images taken at the CAC meeting and International seminar.



CAC meeting on July 29th - discussion of arrangements for the African Regional Conference