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FROM THE EUCEET ASSOCIATION

12th General Assembly of the EUCEET Association

The 12th General Assembly of the EUCEET Association will take place on **Friday, 4th October 2019** kindly hosted by **École des Ponts ParisTech**.



Schedule:

Time	Activity	Venue
Thursday October 3rd, 2019		
15:00 -15:30	Welcome by Marie-Christine BERT (Director of International Relations ENPC)	Carnot building / Belgrand aisle/3rd floor/ Perronet room
15:30 – 16:00	Visit of " <i>Construire le courbe</i> " structure (Dr. Cyril DOUTHE - Assoc. Prof. ENPC/Navier laboratory & Dr. Romain Mesnil - Researcher/Navier laboratory)	Coriolis building/ Freyssinet hall
16:15- 16:45 (by groups)	Visit of the library historical collection (Guillaume SAQUET - Deputy manager of the library historical collection ENPC)	Carnot building /la Source
Friday October 4th, 2019		
9:30 -12:00	EUCEET General Assembly	Carnot building / Belgrand aisle/3rd floor/ Perronet room

FROM MEMBERS

Tallinn University of Technology, EE



Two researchers from TalTech Department of Geology on board Bellingshausen

On July 11th, Estonian sailboat *Admiral Bellingshausen* began its journey to Antarctica from Kronstadt to mark the 200th anniversary of the discovery of Antarctica by Fabian Gottlieb von Bellingshausen (born in the Island of Saaremaa, Estonia). More than a 6-month-long popular-science expedition recalls the most important chapters in the exploration history and draws attention to current climate change issues.



Dr. Enn Kaup and Dr. Jüri Ivask from the TalTech Department of Geology participate in this expedition.

It can be read more about the undertaking from the [Delfi](#) news portal and Saaremaa's newspaper [Saarte Hääl](#).

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, GR



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Educational visit to the department of civil engineering from students from the Technische Universität Dortmund

A successful educational visit to the Department of Civil Engineering took place on Thursday, June 6, 2019.

18 post-graduate students of the Construction Management and Real Estate Management program at Technische Universität Dortmund and their professors Dr. Panos Spyridis and Dr. Ivan Čadež have visited the laboratories of:

- Experimental Strength of Materials and Structures where they were hosted by Assistant Professor, Dr. K. Katakalos,
- Building Materials where they were hosted by Associate Professor, Dr. M. Stefanidou,
- Hydraulics and Hydraulic Works where they were hosted by Professor, Dr. N. Theodosiou, and

- Environmental Engineering and Planning where they were hosted by Dr. M. Petala, Laboratory Teaching Staff.



Following the visits to the labs, Associate Professor Dr. Y. Xenidis and Dr. Ivan Čadež presented the two departments (Department of Civil Engineering and Architecture and Civil Engineering, respectively) and the two universities (TUD and AUTH, respectively). These presentations triggered vivid discussions on the potential and conditions to study at the two departments, while the students of TUD presented the results of a survey they conducted on the housing conditions at TUD and the degree of satisfaction from them.



The participating professors and students from the two departments had the opportunity to exchange views and information, investigate similarities and differences between the studying conditions in the two cities (Thessaloniki and Dortmund) and, eventually, promote their relations and initiate a deeper cooperation between the academic communities of the two departments.

More information: <http://www.civil.auth.gr/en/2-uncategorised/729-educational-visit-to-the-department-of-civil-engineering-from-students-from-the-technische-universit%C3%A4t-dortmund.html>



University of Trento, IT

UniTrento Digital University: the skills you are looking for are just one click away

28 August, 2019

Seven databases, three thousand entries, 1,500 experts surveyed, one repository open and available to anyone: these are the numbers of [UniTrento Digital University](#), the innovative web platform that aims to make information on research skills at UniTrento more transparent and accessible.

This new platform launched by the University of Trento will be useful to students, professionals, business people, journalists and citizens, who will be able to query the database through simple keywords.

Users have access to further information by clicking on the experts' curriculum, their studies and publications, the theses and dissertations they have worked on, etc. But, most of all, they have access to their contact details.

UniTrento Digital University has **no equals in Italy** and not many platforms worldwide are as complete and advanced; with it, the relationship between academic world and society is turned upside down.



The team of the *UniTrento Digital University*
(from left to right : Teresio Poggio, Vincenzo Maltese, Eyuel Haile and Juan Laconich)

For the first time, anyone can find information on subjects they are interested in by browsing through the wide range of skills and studies conducted at the University of Trento with no direct knowledge of anyone and no mediators.

This will bring the University closer to people and to their world.

UniTrento Digital University, which is very easy to use and was very complex to build, was presented on 28 August 2019 in a press conference by Vincenzo Maltese, who leads the division responsible for managing and making the most of the University's information assets.

Users can search through over three thousand entries, both in Italian and in English. They span from terms that we read in the newspaper every day, like "climate change", "genomics", "neurodegenerative diseases", "China" or "populism", to more scientific or specific terms like "data science" and "big data". The vocabulary, with so-called "tags", can be expanded to include new words based on future research or needs.

UniTrento Digital University will be useful to the University governance too, to help decision making on research investments, for example by highlighting staffing shortages in a given area.

But it will also be useful to the University's students: with this new system, they will be able to consult the timetables and the programmes of courses held by teaching staff, find information on their publications, read their notice board, learn about what they are working on or find the right supervisor for their final dissertation.

For further information or to use the new UniTrento [Digital University](#) platform visit the website of the University (click "people") or <https://www.unitn.it/du>.

The Novosibirsk State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering (Sibstrin), RU



UNESCO approved the activity of the UNESCO Chair at NSUACE (Sibstrin)

The activity of scientists, academic staff, and students on the problems of the UNESCO Chair “*Theory and Technology of Environmental Safety in Water Resources Control*” at NSUACE (Sibstrin) has been given a high rating.



As noted in the letter written by Stefania Giannini, Assistant Director-General for Education, UNESCO (Paris, France), sent to the university on May 29, 2019, good results were achieved by the UNESCO Chair of Novosibirsk State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering (Sibstrin) during the four-year activity period. Based on this, the agreement on the validity of the UNESCO Chair at NSUACE (Sibstrin) has been extended for 4 years (until October 2023).

For the next period the following tasks are allotted to the UNESCO Chair:

- conducting scientific research on water issues;
- training of specialists;
- scientific exchange and publications in the field of water-related sciences and education in Eastern and Central Europe and Asia in close cooperation with UNESCO.

More information: <http://en.sibstrin.ru/news/miscellaneous/32/>

South Ural State University (SUSU) (National Research University)



South Ural
State University

National Research
University

Results of the Visit by Association of International Students Delegation to Eurasia Global Forum

Published on 08/27/2019

A team of activists representing SUSU’s South Ural Association of International Students took part in the **international student forum called Eurasia Global** which took place on August 12th through 17th in Orenburg, Russia.

The team included international students and postgraduates of SUSU: Gulnara Hodjiyeva, Maral Suleymanova (Turkmenistan), Mulham Shaheen (Syria), Al-Uleymat Adnan Amer Ahmed (Jordan), Sanjana Prabod (Sri Lanka), the President of the South Ural Association of International Students, Uvindu Wijeweera, and postgraduate student of the Department of Russian as a Foreign Language at the SUSU



Institute of Linguistics and International Communications, Rev Waskaduwe Siri Sarana Thero (Sri Lanka). From the 12th till the 17th of August, Eurasia Global International Youth Forum brought together 800 young people from around the world, representing 108 countries and 80 regions of Russia. SUSU representatives were officially invited to the Forum by the Association of International Students.

“Our South Ural Association of International Students has been established only five years ago; it is very young, so our student activists need to adopt useful practices from representatives of other associations in order to arrange the global forum called Ural Fest. This is exactly why we readily accepted the offer to participate in Eurasia Global Forum. Today we are busy preparing to the first international forum of South Ural international students, the idea of which has been generated by us ourselves. And it is now exactly that we need the experience of arranging such forums. Eurasia Global is a very famous all-Russian forum, and taking part in it is very useful for arrangement of our own forum,” explains the President of the Association, **Uvindu Wijeweera**.

The team of the South Ural Association of International Students was the most active one at the forum: SUSU representatives participated in every master class, contest, workshop, lecture and sport competition. The SUSU team took the first place in a game regarding customs and traditions of Russian people.

It was for the first time that speakers at the forum were not just invited guests but also the activists themselves. For such a type of interaction between participants of the forum, a special format called Program 2.0 had been introduced. Each of the participants who had one’s own project, topic or idea could fill in an application form and deliver a speech in front of other participants after selection stage. Overall, there were 120 original proposals for Program 2.0 submitted during the course of the forum. The President of the South Ural Association of International Students, Uvindu Wijeweera, delivered two presentations in the Program 2.0 format: one regarding the South Ural Association of International Students, and another one regarding his home country Sri Lanka.

In the course of the forum, activists of SUSU AIS got familiar with many speakers, valuable specialists in their spheres of activity coming from Moscow, London and other cities and countries such as France, USA, and Near East countries, who have been invited to SUSU for the Ural Fest Forum. In particular, a meeting of the activists with the President of the World Alumni Association, **Vladimir Chetiy**, was held within the forum. He invited SUSU representatives to take part in many interesting projects. Moreover, participants of the forum had a unique chance to communicate in person with the official representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, **Maria Zakharova**, who paid an official visit to the forum.

One of the important results of the forum is continuation of Uvindu Wijeweera’s project called Russian-Sinhala Dictionary. The project excited Vladimir Chetiy’s interest, so he offered the author to maximally extend the Dictionary by adding languages of the countries from which students come to get a degree in Russia more often. Nowadays, there are separate dictionaries but there is no general one. Translation software in Google and Yandex make multiple mistakes. The new dictionary will become a common program for all languages (French, English, Spanish, Hindi, Japanese, Chinese, etc.). The Dictionary will be recommended to be used within pre-university training courses for international students at universities. The Dictionary is supposed to be created at the premises of SUSU. It is planned to get the university’s programmers involved in development of the Dictionary. Vladimir Chetiy offered his help in obtaining a grant for this project. He is also planning to involve professors from the largest universities (RUDN etc.) to development of the Dictionary. International students of SUSU are going to take part in

development of the Dictionary as well. The quality of the finished Dictionary is planned to be verified at the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation.

One of the members of SUSU delegation was postgraduate student of the Department of Russian as a Foreign Language at the SUSU Institute of Linguistics and International Communications, **Rev Waskaduwe Siri Sarana Thero**. He was invited to the forum for the third time as a constant participant representing SUSU. Siri Sarana took part in a contest of grants for education with a topic dedicated to development of intercultural communications. The project presented by Siri is a continuation of his graduation thesis which he had been preparing in the frameworks of a programme entitled “*Theory and Practice of Foreign Language Teaching*”. Siri Sarana compares systems of the two languages and aspires to create a nationally-oriented Russian language textbook for the Sinhalese.

Moreover, the delegates took part in a contest of short videos on How Various Nations around the World Regard the Pushkin. On the video, couples representing Pushkin and Natalia Goncharova cited poems of the great poet in their native languages: English, French, Russian, Hindi, Urdu (Pakistan). Uvindu Wijeweera together with his colleague from Orenburg took part in the contest, in the course of which the President of the South Ural AIS cited Pushkin’s poems in Russian and English. In the end, all the videos presented at the contest were united into one long video on How Foreign Citizens Regard the Pushkin. By common opinion of SUSU delegates, Eurasia Global forum was very useful for them. In the course of this large-scale event, each of them got a unique experience of working in a team, and the speakers allowed them acquiring new knowledge that will surely come in handy when arranging the first international festival of international students and alumni in Chelyabinsk – the Ural Fest.

More information: <https://www.susu.ru/en/news/2019/08/27/results-visit-association-international-students-delegation-eurasia-global-forum>

ECCE – European Council of Civil Engineers



70th ECCE General Meeting

25 September, 2019

Lisbon, Portugal

The 70th ECCE General Meeting was held in parallel with the **Lisbon Civil Engineering Summit 2019 (CES2019)** that was organized from 24 to 28 September 2019, at LNEC- the National Civil Engineering Laboratory.

During the five days of the CES2019 engineers from around the world gathered in Lisbon to share knowledge, challenges and projects.



This international event aimed to discuss, with a global and integrative approach, the main issues that currently affect the community of civil engineers, who seek solutions to new and also old challenges, in which its role will have a major impact, as climate change, food and water security, safety construction and all the other UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Simultaneously with the CES2019, Lisbon also hosted the World Council of Civil Engineers (WCCE), the European Council of Civil Engineers (ECCE), the European Council of Engineers Chambers (ECEC) and the Engineering Association of Mediterranean Countries (EAMC) General Assemblies.

FROM PARTNERS

DAAD Conference “Virtual Exchange – Borderless Mobility between the European Higher Education Area and Regions Beyond”

11th December, 2019

Berlin, Germany

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) announces a **Call for Papers** for the conference “*Virtual Exchange – borderless mobility between the European Higher Education Area and regions beyond*” in Berlin, Germany, on **11 December 2019**.



Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst
German Academic Exchange Service

Background:

The conference takes place in the context of the *Global Policy Dialogue*, an initiative dedicated to strengthening the relations between the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) and other Higher Education regions in the world. Hence, the *Global Policy Dialogue* reflects on matters of common concern and relevance for higher education policies with the aim to stimulate cooperation and share ideas and policies that can be mutually beneficial. The main forum for the *Global Policy Dialogue* is the Bologna Policy Forum, held regularly in conjunction with the Ministerial Bologna Conference since 2009. The next Bologna Policy Forum will take place at the Bologna Conference in Rome in June 2020.

Description of the conference and Call for Papers:

“Virtual exchange” constitutes an important element in the current Higher Education internationalisation discourse. In the conference context, virtual exchange is highlighted in its role as facilitator for academic cooperation, especially by enhancing, supporting or completing physical mobility and as a component of internationalisation@home approaches.

With a special focus on the relations between the European Higher Education Area and other regions worldwide, we will address the potential of collaborative online learning scenarios and present good interaction practises. This implies raising questions about restructuring student journeys, the effectiveness of virtual learning experiences, or the need for and use of common standards and guidelines such as quality assurance etc.

Topics:

- **Boosting exchange:** digital formats as a mean to enhance international cooperation between EHEA and other regions
- **Curriculum development:** how to embed (sustainable) virtual exchange formats in study programs in order to create networked, cross-campus study programs and assure its quality?
- **Administration and management:** which governance and IT infrastructures (such as federated campus management systems etc.) of Higher Education Institutions to develop with special regard to virtual exchange?
- **Building up expertise and capacities:** what (new) skill and competence challenges arise for higher education students, teachers and staff?

Selected candidates receive free accommodation for the duration of the conference and travel subsidies. Additionally, a **EUR 500 lump sum** is awarded for each selected proposal.

The papers will be **presented at the conference** and **published in a conference publication**.

More information: <https://eu.daad.de/service/veranstaltungen/2019/de/72305-virtual-exchange--borderless-mobility-between-the-european-higher-education-area-and-regions-beyond>

First 25 institutions earn new “BIENVENUE EN FRANCE” LABEL



Frédérique Vidal, France’s minister of higher education, research, and innovation, has announced [the first 25 institutions of higher education to receive the “Bienvenue en France” label](#).

She made the announcement on July 8, 2019 at a Campus France event on research and innovation held at the Cité des Sciences et de l’Industrie in Paris.

The quality of support services for international students is an important factor in increasing the international appeal of French higher education.

As the fourth-leading host country for international students, France is already recognized for its cultural and artistic value and for the quality of its academic institutions, programs, and degrees, according to the [2017 Campus France / Kantar-Sofres poll](#) on France’s image and appeal in the eyes of international students. To build on this strong position, France has been developing a strategy to enhance perceptions of its higher education system.

The objective of the “Bienvenue en France” strategy is to attract 500,000 international students to France by 2027.

“Bienvenue en France” is a label awarded to French institutions that demonstrate the highest standards in international student support services.

The “Bienvenue en France” label is one of the pillars of the promotional plan. It offers international students the assurance of a **national standard**. For the institution, the label is a **distinction that can be leveraged in outreach efforts**.

The label is granted by Campus France on the basis of a **self-evaluation** conducted in light of the expressed concerns of international students. The self-evaluation must be underpinned by supporting documents.

The **criteria used** in labelling a program of support are:

1. The quality and accessibility of information designed for international students
2. Support services (orientation, integration, advising, etc.)
3. Academic programs
4. Housing
5. Campus life
6. Post-graduation follow-up



135 institutions are at various stages of the application process

- 73 universities, multi-institution clusters (COMUEs), major free-standing schools
- 47 engineering schools
- 20 schools of business and management
- 7 art schools
- 5 language schools
- 3 culinary schools
- 3 Catholic institutes
- 2 international organizations

More information: <https://www.campusfrance.org/en>

FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION

News from Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)



European Week of Regions and Cities- Europe for Citizens event 8/10/2019

Publication date: Tuesday, 3 September, 2019

On the 8/10/2019, the EACEA – Europe for Citizens Programme will co-organise with the Research Executive Agency (REA), a workshop during the **European Week of Regions and Cities**.

The workshop “**Let’s Unite! Reconciling Europe with its Citizens to build a more democratic and closer Europe**” aims to provide EU beneficiaries with an opportunity to exchange best practices on how they foster active European citizenship and promote EU values.



The EU is made of, for and by its citizens! In the context of current challenges (Brexit, populism, climate change...), engaging citizens in discussions on the European Union and its future has never been more important. In recent years, Europe has been faced with a growing distrust towards its institutions, which are seen as unable or unwilling to truly respond to the concerns of its citizens. This has created a disconnection between the Union and its citizens, becoming the target of a new wave of populism, which challenges the EU’s legitimacy. In this context, towns and regions are crucial in empowering citizens to be active players and in forming strong links between the EU and its citizens. Cooperation, tolerance and volunteering are key tools to better understand the role of the European Union in our lives, discover our own added value to the European project and thus become better informed, more self-conscious and proud European citizens.

The workshop aims to provide EU beneficiaries with an opportunity to exchange best practices on how they foster active European citizenship and promote EU values. The lively stories and testimonies of successful projects supported by the Europe for Citizens programme will demonstrate how their results contribute to a more inclusive and democratic Europe. Moreover, the H2020 RECONNECT Project, which brings together 18 leading academic institutions across Europe, will present some insights on the current division between the EU and its citizens and suggest some ways forward.

These initiatives intend to foster a democratic environment in which every citizen has a say, while seeking to inspire and shape future debates on the European integration project.

This workshop will allow citizens to have their voice heard and reduce the perceived “distance” between citizens and the EU level of governance that is so often criticised by Eurosceptics. Topics such as intercultural dialogue, debate on the future of Europe, democracy, volunteering and how citizens can promote solidarity at the local and EU level will be addressed.

More information: https://europa.eu/regions-and-cities/programme/sessions/489_en

The Social Dimension of Erasmus+ Conference

14 - 15 October, 2019

Brussels, Belgium

The '*Social Dimension of Erasmus+*' conference will address how the Erasmus+ programme encourages a more connected and inclusive society through initiatives that promote social engagement and volunteering on exchange.



The Social Dimension of Erasmus+
Conference | Brussels | 14 & 15 October 2019

The focus areas of the conference are the following topics:

- The social impact of Universities and their Internationalisation strategies on their local communities
- Internationalisation of education in primary and secondary sections, lessons from the higher education sector
- The recognition of social engagement initiatives in higher education, bringing non-formal education methods into education
- Intercultural learning and the competence development of students as global citizens.

This conference welcomes professionals working in the field of Education and Youth, interested in how Mobility programmes can have a lasting impact on local communities.

The target group of the event are International Relations Officers, policymakers in education and youth, National Agencies and Ministries, school teachers and student and youth representatives.

Find more information about the [conference here](#) or register directly at our [Eventbrite registration link](#).

More information: <https://socialerasmus.org/conference>

European Commission - Statement**Joint statement by Commissioners Mimica, Thyssen, Navracsics, and Gabriel on the occasion of *International Youth Day 2019*, Brussels, 12 August 2019**

There are currently 1.8 billion young people between the ages of 10 and 24 in the world. This is the largest youth population ever. However, more than half of all children and adolescents aged 6-14 lack basic reading and maths skills, despite the fact that the majority of them are attending school. This global learning crisis threatens to severely hamper progress towards the SDGs.

12 August 2019 was first designated International Youth Day by the UN General Assembly in 1999, and serves as an annual celebration of the role of young women and men as essential partners in change, and an opportunity to raise awareness of challenges and problems facing the world's youth.

The European Commission joins the celebration of this year's International Youth Day, the theme of which is "*Transforming Education*", highlighting efforts to make education more inclusive and accessible for all youth.



Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, Neven Mimica, Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility, Marianne Thyssen, Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, Tibor Navracsics, and Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society, Mariya Gabriel said:

"Today we are celebrating International Youth Day. This is an important occasion to reflect upon the fact that too many young people live in war zones, are out of school and are affected by poverty, social exclusion, poor health care, gender inequality and the impacts of climate change.

Providing effective solutions to these challenges, achieving sustainable peace and building cohesive and resilient societies in which young people can thrive, are priorities for the European Union. For this purpose, the EU is committed to implementing the United Nations 2030 Agenda and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals across its policies.

Working with Member States and many other stakeholders, the EU is empowering millions of young people, within and outside the EU. Erasmus+ has been bringing young people together, enabling them to learn and engage in society, as well as fostering excellence and innovation in education institutions. Two new initiatives launched by this Commission have opened up fresh opportunities: DiscoverEU enables young people to travel and explore Europe's rich cultural heritage, while the European Solidarity Corps gives them the chance to volunteer and work in projects that support communities and people around Europe. The European Education Area that we are building will further boost excellence and inclusion, benefiting young Europeans from all backgrounds, and strengthening a sense of a shared European identity.

Likewise, young people are at the heart of EU policies, such as the Digital Single Market. Many initiatives, for example the Digital Skills and Jobs Coalition, have helped increase training in digital skills,

modernising education at the same time. Through our Strategy for a Better Internet for Children we are making children's online wellbeing a top priority, striving to eliminate online risks, such as cyberbullying, grooming, privacy concerns, disinformation, and violent or disturbing content. These objectives are also at the centre of the Digital Education Action Plan, which offers a set of concrete measures and initiatives to help EU Member States to meet the challenges of education in the digital age.

Moreover, youth is at the heart of our policies, both within and outside our borders. In our development programmes, the EU focuses on addressing the needs of young people in areas such as education, skills development and job creation, while aiming at engaging youth in wider aspects of society. For example, initiatives like the Young Leaders Programme and the EU-AU Youth Plug-in Initiative provide them with their rightful seat at the decision-making table. We will also continue supporting young people as champions of peace-building and countering violent extremism in their communities, including through the 'One Young World Peace Ambassadors' initiative.

Investing in the potential of young people is an investment in our society. What gives us hope is that we are not alone in addressing their challenges; we must continue and widen our efforts."

Background

International Youth Day is 20 years old. This year's theme "**Transforming Education**" highlights efforts to make education more inclusive and accessible for all youth, including efforts by young people themselves. The EU supports Member States' cooperation in the field of education, making it easier for young people to benefit from mobility and for teachers to gain experience and share knowledge by working across Europe. In 2017 the EU invested a record €2.8 billion in the Erasmus+ programme, in which STATEMENT/19/5011 more than 3.7 million people have participated since 2014. The Commission proposes a stronger youth focus in the EU's next long-term budget 2021-2027 with its plan to double the Erasmus+ budget to €30 billion. Erasmus+ is open to many individuals and organisations, although eligibility varies from one action to another and from one country to another. Countries (EU Member States and non-Member States) that can take part are divided into programme countries (can fully participate in all the actions of the Erasmus+ programme) and partner countries (can participate in certain actions of the programme, subject to specific criteria or conditions). A list of all countries and the Erasmus+ Programme Guide, which contains more detailed information on eligible countries, are available online.

For more information: https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_19_5011

NEWS FROM THE WORLD

XVI Asian Regional Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering

14 - 18 October, 2019

Taipei, Taiwan



The main theme of the *16th Asian Regional Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (16ARC)* is Geotechnique for Sustainable Development and Emerging Market Regions.

A number of subjects on modern geotechnical technologies and activities will be covered up to match up the main theme.

In a roll of 60 years, the 16ARC will continue to bring great success following the glories of past ARCs (New Delhi 1960, Tokyo 1963, Haifa 1967, Bangkok 1971, Bangalore 1975, Singapore 1979, Haifa 1983, Kyoto 1987, Bangkok 1991, Beijing 1995, Seoul 1999, Singapore 2003, Kolkata 2007, Hong Kong 2011, Fukuoka 2015).

More information: <http://www.16arc.org/>

DFI — 44th Annual Conference on Deep Foundations

15 - 18 October, 2019

Chicago, United States

This conference will be a call to action to develop forward-thinking plans in geotechnical engineering through technical presentations and panel discussions.



The 2019 Conference will provide an international forum for a wide range of geo-professionals to present, discuss, and debate all aspects of how we build on our current success to create and maintain a better tomorrow for us and future generations.

A session will be dedicated to the DFI Legends program to recognize practitioners who have made significant contributions to and advancements in the research, design, construction, manufacturing and use of deep foundations.

More information: <http://www.dfi.org/>

Abu Dhabi Smart City

29 - 30 October, 2019

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates



The Abu Dhabi Smart City Summit taking place from 29-30 October 2019 at the Jumeirah at Etihad Towers, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, will address Abu Dhabi's vision of becoming a global leader in Smart Cities and Emerging Technologies, with the aim of creating a better world for its citizens, boosting government performance at all levels, and promoting education in the latest technologies.

Topics:

- Adm Smart City Framework (2018 -2022)
- Zayed Smart City Project
- UAE Centennial 2071
- ADM Innovation Park & Lab
- UAE Artificial Intelligence 2031
- Abu Dhabi Model for Smart City
- Smart Automation & Transformation
- Maryah Island Smart City Framework
- Egovernment
- Smart Cities Through PPP
- Empowering Innovation
- Smart Lighting
- Artificial Intelligence in Infrastructure
- Smart Water and Irrigation
- Smart Infrastructure Development Projects
- Smart Environment
- Smart City Standards & Specifications
- Smart Waste Management
- Smart Security & Policing
- Advanced Robotics & Uavs
- Big Data Analytics
- Smart Transportation
- Data-Driven O&M
- Smart Parking
- Intelligent Asset Management
- Smart Energy
- 5G and IOT Infrastructure
- Smart Landscape
- Machine Learning
- Research & Development

More information: <http://www.smartabudhabisummit.com/Contact the Organizers-1762>

100+ Forum Russia

29 October – 1 November, 2019

Ekaterinburg, Russia

100+ Forum Russia - is an international congress and a professionally oriented exhibition, dedicated to design, construction, financing and operation of high-rise buildings and unique structures for any application.

The forum will bring together more than 2000 experts, speakers and delegates both from various regions of Russia and more than 20 world countries.



TARGET AUDIENCE

- World leading architects and designers of high-rise and unique structures
- Heads of cities, administration officials, chief architects of Russian/foreign municipalities
- Investors, developers, engineering and design companies participating in the erection of high-rise and unique structures in Russia and worldwide
- Specialists of Russian and foreign dedicated research institutes

Two changes are coming to the forum this year. It will last for four days and will move to a new location: IEC Ekaterinburg - EXPO Conference Center.

The program of the forum will be comprised of **70 sections**.

The business program at 100+ Forum Russia includes 70 sections with currently 120 confirmed speakers from a number of countries.

During the first day of Forums, on October 29, the speakers will be **Alfonso Ponce Alvarez** (Associate Partner, Foster + Partners) and **Frank Hovorka** (President Elect at REHVA, REHVA Fellow). The topic of mr. Hovorka's talk will be BIM – the profile of a building for information assessment in the area of real estate.

Another 100+ Forum Russia participant will be Maxim Nechiporenko, Deputy General Director at Renga Software. Negotiations are also being held with Kaspersky ICS CERT.

One of the speakers at 100+ Forum Russia, **Federico Parolotto** – Head of the company Mobility in Chain, author of master plans of Cairo and Istanbul, independent consultant in the project of making changes in the master plan of Moscow – **agreed to an interview for the website of the forum** and discussed the topic of Competitive Advantages of Cities of the Future. The interview is available on 100+ Forum Russia website at <http://www.forum-100.ru/novosti/100-spikery-federiko-parolotto/>.

62 companies from 7 cities and 5 regions of Russia have already confirmed that they will be participating in the exposition of innovational technologies and materials in the area of construction 100+ TECHNOLOGIES that will take place from October, 29 to October, 31 in the same location as 100+ Forum Russia.

- EVRAZ Engineering plans to present their new product in the line of facade materials – EQUITONE cementitious panels. These plates are often used for claddings of buildings which then are considered for architectural awards in Europe.
- Be prepared for a cherry on top, because the company will also exhibit special equipment used for installations of large double glazing units;
- OOO Torgoviy Dom "Hydromix-Engineering" will showcase a test bench: a working model of an intertube space junctions sealing system;
- OOO "MAURER" will exhibit bearings, hydraulic equipment and seismic equipment for bridges that is made of innovational sliding materials MSM, MSA;
- OOO "BIM-Cluster" will show BIM-technologies for multi-dimensional work with management algorithms and production.

Among all applications for participation, the largest number of applicants comes from companies in the area of innovational technology and equipment. Top-2 in that regard is shared by a number of areas: digital and virtual technologies, development, architecture and urban planning, modern materials.

Various media outlets on the regional as well as federal level have already published **500 articles about the process of preparation for 100+ Forum Russia** in total. The forum has a list of 76 informational partners that includes Stroitel'naya Gazeta, RIA Nedvizhimost, Stroitel'niy Vestnik, Delovoy Kvartal, Echo of Moscow.

Participation in the Forum - is free of charge.

More information on: <http://www.forum-100.com/about-forum/>

International Conference on Sustainable Infrastructure

07 - 09 November, 2019

Los Angeles, CA, United States

American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) ASCE's International Conferences on Sustainable Infrastructure will take place in Los Angeles from November 7–9, 2019.

This gathering of civil engineers, infrastructure managers, architects, policy makers, technology experts, and related professionals will provide a showcase for the latest developments and advancements in design, construction, technology, policy and education related to sustainable and resilient infrastructure and offers a forum to discuss and debate future directions for the 21st century.

Conference topics, focusing on sustainable cities for an uncertain world, cover a broad array of contemporary issues for professionals involved in the development of sustainable infrastructure. You will have the opportunity to meet like-minded colleagues from all over the world for technical, scientific, and educational discussions about sustainable infrastructure. Structured to foster interactive discussion,



the conference will feature a keynote by a Los Angeles based international luminary as well as over half a dozen case studies and workshops focusing on recent innovations and achievements from cities around the U.S. and the world. Concurrent seminars will be organized in tracks including:

- Society and Urbanization
- Finance and Management
- Practice and Policy

Themes of the conference:

- Society and Urbanization
- Special Events
- Los Angeles Olympics 2028
- Finance and Management
- Practice
- Policy

More information: <https://www.asce.org/event/2019/icsi-2019/>

The 36th Ukrainian International Education Fair «Education abroad»

15-19 November, 2019

Kiev, Kharkiv, Dnipro, Ukraine



About the fair “Education abroad”:

- The biggest educational fair in Ukraine (more than 70 participants from different countries participate in the fair in Kiev)
- In 2018 more than 7,000 people visited our Fair – school children with parents, students, young professionals, employees of educational area, representatives of educational agencies
- All leading educational agencies traditionally take part in the fair
- Official catalogue of the fair is given free of charge to visitors
- The fair is held traditionally in the center of Kiev – Ukrainian House Wide advertising campaign

Program of the fair «Education abroad» in Kiev and Kharkiv, Dnipro:**15 November 2019**

8:00 – 11:00 The exhibition is open to participants, preparation for work
11.00 – 18.00 Work exhibition in Kiev
13.00 – 14.00 lunch (lunch for 2 person includes in price for participation)
18.00 – Exhibition close

16 November 2019

11.00 – 18.00 Work exhibition in Kiev
13.00 – 14.00 lunch (lunch for 2 person includes in price for participation)
19:00 Transfer from Kiev to Kharkiv by comfortable bus (for 1 or 2 people includes on price)

17 November 2019

11:00 – 12:00 The exhibition is open to participants, preparation for work
12:00 – 17:00 exhibition in Kharkiv - Ballroom in Kharkiv Palace Hotel (Nezalezhnosti Av., 2)
www.kharkiv-palace.com
14:00 – 15:00 lunch in Hotel (lunch for 2 person includes in price for participation)

18 November 2019

12:00 – transfer from Kharkiv to Dnipro (for 2 person includes in price for participation)
15:30 – arrival to Dnipro

19 November 2019

14:30 – 15:30 (lunch for 2 person includes in price for participation)
15:00 – 16:00 The exhibition is open to participants, preparation for work
16:00 – 20:00 exhibition in Dnipro - Ballroom in Menorah Hotel (4/26 Sholom Aleyhem str.
www.menorahotel.com)

20 November 2019

9:00 Transfer from Dnipro to Kiev by comfortable bus (for 1 or 2 people includes on price)

More information: <http://edu-abroad.com.ua/?lang=en>

XVI Panamerican Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering**18 - 22 November, 2019****Cancun, Mexico**

The first Pan-American Conference of Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering were held in Mexico in 1959.

19 technical sessions are contemplated, with the participation of specialists from all over the Americas and the rest of the world;



workshops organized by five technical committees of the ISSMGE; eleven pre-congress courses of great interest to professional practice; special conferences: the Arthur Casagrande Conference and the Bright Spark conference, promoting the participation of young engineers. In addition, will be a plenary sessions, with topics related to the exercise of geotechnical engineering.

Topics:

- Laboratory and in situ testing
- Analytical and physical modelling in geotechnics
- Numerical modelling in geotechnics
- Unsaturated soils
- Soft soils
- Foundations and retaining structures
- Excavations and tunnels
- Offshore Geotechnics
- Transportation in geotechnics
- Natural hazards
- Embankments and tailings dams
- Soils dynamics and earthquake engineering
- Ground improvement
- Sustainability and geoenvironment.
- Preservation of historic sites
- Forensics engineering
- Rock mechanics
- Education
- Energy geotechnic

More information: <http://panamerican2019mexico.com/>

COSVARD 2019 — 2nd International Conference on Smart Villages and Rural Development

02 - 04 December, 2019

Guwahati, India

COSVARD 2019 will be held from 2nd to 4th December, 2019 in the city of Guwahati, in the North-Eastern Indian state of Assam.

Guwahati is the capital of Assam and contains the famous “Kamakhya Temple”, as well as the world’s smallest habitable island “Umananda” and many sites



of archaeological significance.

With over 40% of the world's population now living in rural areas, there is global interest in research associated with the creation of "Smart Villages" to address the ever growing urban-rural divide.

Smart Village research being undertaken in the Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning at the University of Melbourne is exploring rural community development, practices and relevant policies with a focus on community-centric planning of affordable housing, infrastructure, sustainable development and growth, community empowerment and other issues related to the creation of Smart Villages.

Themes of the conference:

- **Rural Housing**
Housing affordability, low-cost housing, materials selection, energy and water solutions, sanitation, reusability and recycling of waste, skill development, environmental design, disaster resilience and other relevant topics.
- **Rural Infrastructure**
Construction and maintenance of roads and other forms of infrastructure, access to education and health care, provision of services, including energy, potable water, waste and sewage management, creation of public spaces, ICT applications and operations, and other related topics.
- **Rural Economy**
Building social capital, micro and community-led finance, income generation, farming support, crop selection and improvement, market access, pricing, various forms of tourism and other related topics.
- **Sustainability**
Environmental, Social, and Economic sustainability.
- **Smart Governance**
ICT and data-driven solutions, machine learning applications, alternative forms of governance and other relevant topics.

More information: <https://smartvillageslab.msdl.unimelb.edu.au/cosvard>

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Date	Event	Place
4.10.2019	12 th EUCEET Association General Assembly	Paris, FRANCE



9-12.10. 2019	ASCE 2019 CONVENTION	Miami, FL, USA
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<https://www.asceconvention.org/about>

20-23.10 2019	Annual Conference of the Global Engineering Deans Council (GEDC)	Santiago, CHILE
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<https://gedc2019.org/>

Date	Event	Place
25.10. 2019	Africa-Europe conference on higher education collaboration <i>Investing in people, by investing in higher education and skills in Africa</i>	Brussels, BELGIUM



<https://www.daad-brussels.eu/en/events-overview/our-events/africa-europe-event-on-higher-education-collaboration/>

7-20.11.2019	XVI Panamerican Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering	Cancun, MEXIC
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<http://panamerican2019mexico.com/panamerican/>

13-16.11.2019	9 th World Engineering Education Forum	Chennai, INDIA
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9th World Engineering Education Forum 2019

Disruptive Engineering Education for Sustainable Development

13-16 November 2019 | ITC Grand Chola, Chennai, India

<https://www.weef2019.org/index.html>

Date	Event	Place
22-23.11.2019	10th AECEF Symposium <i>“Cooperation between Universities and Industry in the Education and Employment of Civil Engineers: Current Expectations, Future Challenges”</i>	Wroclaw, POLAND

<http://aecef2019.pwr.edu.pl/>



25 - 26.11. 2019	EAIE Spotlight Semina “From refugees to international students: integration, mainstreaming and diversification”	Berlin, GERMANY
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<https://www.eaie.org/spotlight-seminar-refugees.html>

25-27.05 2020	14th Baltic Sea Geotechnical Conference 2020	Helsinki, FINLAND
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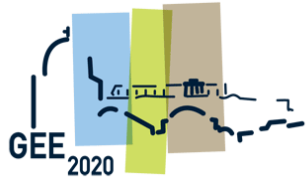
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Date	Event	Place
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24-25.06.2020

Conference Geotechnical Engineering Education 2020 (GEE2020)

Athens,
GRRECE



International Conference on
Geotechnical Engineering Education

June 24-25, 2020 | Athens, Greece

<https://www.erasmus.gr/microsites/1168>