The 2nd Young Transportation Geotechnics Engineers (YTGE) Meeting, to be held in Changsha, China on October 26, 2018 under the auspices of ISSMGE TC202

Invitation

As part of the 8th International Symposium on Environmental Vibration and Transportation Geodynamics (8th ISEV 2018), the 2nd Young Transportation Geotechnics Engineers (YTGE) meeting will be held at Central South University, Changsha, China on October 26, 2018. The 1st meeting of the YTGE associated with the 3rd International Conference on Transportation Geotechnics (ICTG) was successfully convened at University of Minho, Guimarães, Portugal on September 4, 2016. Inspired by the successful 1st meeting of the YTGE, the 2nd YTGE forum will be organized and hosted by students at the Central South University (CSU) located in Changsha, the capital city of Hunan Province, China with student participation from all around the world. Hunan Province, being at the crossroads of China's transportation networks, is a logical location for this forum, and the CSU is in a unique position to host it with its highly ranked School of Civil Engineering, its prominent transportation/railroad centers and programs, and a long-standing reputation of cutting-edge research on railroad engineering and transportation infrastructure.

The 2nd YTGE meeting will cover all disciplines in transportation geotechnics (roads, highways, bridges, airports, railways, waterways, canals and terminals-harbors) and serve as a forum for knowledge exchange among young engineers from both academic and industrial backgrounds. The main goal of this forum will be to increase the attractiveness of the transportation geotechnics field for younger generations of engineers (less than 35 years old), whilst contributing to strengthen the role of young engineers in society. Latest and most advanced practices in the transportation geotechnics field worldwide will be discussed in workshop sessions. The meeting will provide an international forum for doctoral and post-doctoral students as well as research engineers and engineers involved in innovation in transportation geotechnics to present and discuss their research findings and identify future research and engineering practice needs.

Call for Extended Abstracts / Papers (due May 31, 2018)

We are pleased to invite you to be part of the YTGE network and present your relevant work related to all disciplines in transportation geotechnics [roads, highways, bridges, airports, railways,

waterways, canals and terminals-harbors], by submitting either (i) a full-length paper and the respective presentation or (ii) a two-page extended abstract and the respective presentation. Even those who are not able to attend the 2nd YTGE meeting are encouraged to be enrolled in this network. All submissions (Full length paper, extended abstract, and the respective presentation) will be compiled into a USB drive and made available for members of the YTGE network.

Original abstract/paper contributions should be submitted through the conference website (www.isev2018.cn) or via email to the ISEV 2018 conference secretariat (isev2018@yahoo.com) by May 31, 2018. Authors will be notified of all abstract/paper acceptances no later than August 31, 2018. Note that full-length papers submitted to the 2nd YTGE meeting and accepted after a rigorous peer-review process, depending on the authors' consent, will be eligible for inclusion in the Conference Proceedings of the 8th ISEV 2018 to be indexed by Web of Science.

Conference Venue

The 2nd YTGE meeting will take place at the Central South University, Changsha, China, on October 26, 2018 and is free of charge for all participants. Participants also attending the 8th ISEV 2018 are expected to register through the symposium website (www.isev2018.cn).

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YTGE Core Members (Members to be added): Liuxin Chen (China); Keyang Zheng (China); Qunding Yu (China); Yeshun Wang (China); Joaquim Tinoco (Portugal); André Paixão (Portugal); Cristina Alves Ribeiro (Portugal); Ana Heitor (Australia); André Paixão (Portugal); Antti Kalliainen (Finland); Camilo Herrera (Colombia); Cristina Alves Ribeiro (Portugal); David Milne (UK); Debakanta Mishra (USA); Fabian Szymkiewicz (France); Joaquim Tinoco (Portugal); Johannes Pistrol (Austria); Lucas Festugato (Brazil); Mehran Mazari (USA); Takahisa Nakamura (Japan).