

# Dear Polleague,

We would like to invite you to give a lecture at the China- Europe Conference on Geotechnical Engineering in Vienna, Austria on 13-16 August 2018. Europe is the cradle of modern soil mechanics and geotechnical engineering. The old continent still hosts the finest researchers, engineers, contractors and manufacturers. China has the most construction activities of the world with such impressive infrastructure projects as Three Gorges Dam, South-North Water Transport, High Speed Railway. This conference will link the birth place of modern soil mechanics with the country with most construction and research activities in geotechnical engineering.

This conference offers a platform for leading experts from China, Europe and beyond to take stock of recent development and identify emerging trends in geomechanical theory and geoengineering practice. We cordially invite you to our conference with the following distinctive characters:

- Broad topic coverage from theory to practice
- Focus on state-of-the-art in practice and emerging trends in research
- Medium-sized event to promote interaction and communication
- Proceedings in Springer Series in Geomechanics & Geoengineering (EI)
- Selected papers to be published in Acta Geotechnica

# **Conference topics**

We foster broad coverage of topics from geomechanics research and geotechnical engineering practice. Contributions from (not limited to) the following topics are welcome.

- Geomechanics for soil and rock
- Constitutive modelling
- Innovative numerical techniques
- Testing and instrumentation methods in lab and field
- Foundation engineering
- Deep excavation
- Underground construction

- Ground improvement
- · Soil dynamics and earthquake engineering
- · Landslide and debris flow
- Geosynthetics
- Geotechnics in hydro-engineering
- Geotechnics in transportation
- Geotechnics in energy and environment
- Case studies

## **Conference guidelines**

The conference language is English. Extended abstracts will be published in the Springer Series in Geomechanics and Geoengineering (El indexed). Templates of MSWord and LaTex are available at: http://www.springer.com/series/8069. Selected full papers will be peer reviewed and published in Acta Geotechnica.

#### Conference venue

The conference will be held at the university campus, which is close to the lovely Türkenschanzpark with a charm unique to Vienna. There are a number of quality hotels with fair price near our campus. We will negotiate good conditions for our participants.

## Travelling to Vienna

Vienna is well connected with major European and international airports by direct flight. The airport is about 16 km from the city centre. There are several transportation options from the airport to our university: 1: S-Bahn and buses (7 Euro); 2: Buses (7 Euro); 3: City Airport Train (CAT) and bus (15 Euro); 4 Taxi (about 35 Euro).

#### Visa information

For colleagues, who need an entry visa to Austria we can provide an invitation letter for the visa application.

### **Social** events

There are a number of social events for the accompanying persons. Moreover, we will organise a cocktail evening and a banquet during the conference. We are grateful for the generous support of the City of Vienna for sponsoring the banquet. The midsummer in Vienna is warm but very pleasant with temperature around 30°C.

#### **Important Dates**

Deadline for Abstracts: 31 December 2017
Abstract acceptance: 28 February 2018
Final program 30 April 2018
Conference 13-16 August 2018

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