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## 1. IABSE Conference Geneva 2015 (Phase 2): Call for Abstracts

### [Submit your Abstract until: December 31, 2014](#)

We are pleased to see that there has been a great response for the Call for Contributions (Phase 1), many ideas for Session Topics have been submitted! The Scientific Committee, has reviewed these submissions and now proposes a list of Session Topics for the Call for Abstracts (Phase 2). Participants wishing to make a contribution in accordance with the Global Themes of the Conference are invited to submit an abstract by December 31, 2014, through the online submission system. More information and how to submit:

[www.iabse.org/Geneva2015/Call](http://www.iabse.org/Geneva2015/Call)

## 2. Vacancy: University of Massachusetts Amherst

### **Tenure-Track Faculty Position - Structural Engineering and Mechanics**

The University of Massachusetts Amherst Dept. of Civil & Environmental Engineering (CEE) invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in Structural Engineering and Mechanics (SEM). The position will be filled at the Assistant or Associate Professor level with the appointment expected to begin September 1, 2015. Excellent candidates with research interests in any area of structural engineering and mechanics will be given full consideration, although particular areas of interest are: (1) computational solid mechanics addressing fundamental problems and applications relevant to maintaining and improving civil infrastructure and the built environment; (2) Modeling and testing of large scale structural systems. [More..](#)

## 3. SEI 4/2014 Published!

The SEI November 2014 issue 'Recent Research and Structures' has been published and hard copies have been sent to all members and subscribers. See the Table of Contents [here..](#), or check out its e-version [here..](#)

#### 4. SEI 25 Years in 2015 - Celebrate with Us!

Vote for your favourite Structure by **November 30, 2014**:

[www.gallery.ethz.ch/iabsegallery](http://www.gallery.ethz.ch/iabsegallery)

Structural Engineering International (SEI) will enter its 25th year of publication, and we would like to celebrate this occasion. In order to start, we need your help! In 2015 we would like to publish three reports providing in-depth updates on three remarkable structures that have been featured over the past 25 years. In order to make a selection, we have provided a list of 25 structures (see album in above link) and are asking you, our readers, to select your favourite **5 STRUCTURES**. The structures in the list have either won the annual IABSE Outstanding Structure Award (from 2000 onwards), or have been carefully selected by the SEI Editorial Board (from SEI 1991-1999). Based on your ranking, the SEI Editorial Board will then select three finalists for the feature reports. [Participate by voting here..](#)

#### 5. Updated SEI Author Guidelines

SEI Author Guidelines have been updated: the major change from 2015 will be the usage of a dot instead of a comma, as a decimal marker. [GoTo Guidelines](#)

#### 6. News from the National Groups

**Germany** - The '*Young Engineers Colloquium 2015*', organised by the German Group will take place in Stuttgart on March 23, 2015. The Colloquium will give graduate and PhD students, as well as young practicing engineers, the opportunity to present their Master's or Doctoral theses or their first projects from practice. Applications are requested from young engineers up to the age of 35 years, with a 2-page summary of their thesis or project, as well as a short resume (CV). The deadline for applications ends **December 8, 2014**. More information: [in German](#), in [English](#).

**Spain** - The '*3rd International Conference on Mechanical Models in Structural Engineering*' (CMMoST2015) will be held at Seville, Spain, June 24-26, 2015, and is organised by the Spanish Group of IABSE in conjunction with the Universities of Seville and of Granada, and the Eduardo Torroja Institute - CSIC, Spain. Deadline for submission of abstracts: **January 10, 2015**. [More..](#)

- '*The resistant act and its poetics. Contemporary Spanish Engineering (1964-2014)*', is a photo exhibition on the most representative works of Spanish structural engineering of the last 50 years and has been organised by the Spanish Group and the CentroCentro Cibeles (City of Madrid). The photos were selected by curatorial team consisting of Miguel Aguiló, M. Dolores G. Pulido,

Javier Manterola and Julio Martinez Calzón. The exhibition is open from September 4, 2014 to February 1, 2015, at the Palace of Communications in Cibeles Square, Madrid. The exhibition is currently visited in average by more than 10.000 visitors per month! [Brochure..](#)

**Switzerland** - On October 9, 2014, the Swiss Group of IABSE held its sixth 'Young Engineers' Symposium (YES2014), at the University of Applied Sciences in Lucerne. Around 100 participants from all over Switzerland, took the opportunity to listen to the project presentations of their young colleagues and participate in four seminars to discuss current issues of structural engineering. The level of the various contributions was extraordinarily high and there were numerous questions from the audience. More information [in German](#); [in English \(pdf\)](#). [Photogallery..](#)

- At its general assembly on October 28, 2014, the Swiss Group of IABSE elected Philippe Menétrey, Switzerland, as its new Chair. Philippe Menétrey, Member of IABSE since 1990, is CEO and owner of the engineering company INGPFI based in Lausanne, one of the leading and most innovative engineering companies in Switzerland. He succeeds Daia Zwicky, Professor at University of Applied Sciences Fribourg (College of Engineering and Architecture), who served in this position since 2007. IABSE thanks Daia Zwicky for his high engagement in this office, in particular for his support in promoting young engineers. IABSE congratulates Philippe Menétrey on his election and looks very much forward to future cooperation. [Contact](#)

**United Kingdom** - 'Future of Design 2014': View the inspiring video-report on this event [here..](#)

## 7. Holcim Awards 2014 Winners for Asia Pacific

The winning projects of the Holcim Awards 2014 Asia Pacific have been announced in Jakarta on November 14, 2014: A bird sanctuary in Thailand, a locally-adapted orphanage in Nepal, and a community library in Sri Lanka received the top prizes. They show how building with sustainable construction in mind can enhance the region's human, natural and economic performance. The winning submissions demonstrate the development of multi-disciplinary responses to the challenges facing design and building. [More..](#)

## 8. Calendar of Events

**2015**

**Co-sponsored by IABSE**

**IABSE Workshop**

February 11-12, 2015, Helsinki, Finland, Safety, Robustness and Condition Assessment of Structures'. [More..](#)

**Co-sponsored by IABSE**

April 23-25, 2015, Portland, USA, 'Structures Congress 2015' [More..](#)

### **IABSE Conference**

May 13-15, 2015, Nara, Japan, IABSE Conference 'Elegance in Structures'.

[More..](#)

### **Co-sponsored by IABSE**

July 1-3, 2015, Porto, Portugal, International Conference 'Multi-Span Large Bridges'. [More..](#)

### **IABSE Conference**

September 23-25, 2015, Geneva, Switzerland, 'Structural Engineering - a solution provider to global challenges', Annual Meetings precede the Conference. Call for Abstracts by December 31, 2014. [More..](#)

### **2016**

### **Co-sponsored by IABSE**

June 15-17, 2016, Zielona Gora, Poland, 'ICMS 2016 - XIII International Conference on Metal Structures'. [More..](#)

### **Co-sponsored by IABSE**

July 27-29, 2016, Guimares, Portugal, 'ICSA 2016 - 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Structures and Architecture'. [More..](#)

More events on the [Calendar of the Liaison Committee.](#)

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### **IABSE National Group Events**

#### **2014**

#### **British Group of IABSE**

- November 20, 2014, London, UK, Speed mentoring event: 'Journey to Success 3'. [More..](#)

#### **Portuguese Group of IABSE**

- November 26-28, 2014, Lisbon, Portugal, 5th Portuguese Days of Structural Engineering 'National Concrete Meeting 2014' and the '9th National Congress of Seismology and Seismic Engineering November 26-28, 2014.

[More..\(in Portuguese\)](#)

#### **2015**

#### **Bangladesh Group of IABSE**

August 21-22, 2015, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Joint IABSE-JSCE Conference 'Advances in Bridge Engineering-III - Towards Owning a Resilient Infrastructure'. Call for Papers until November 15, 2014. [More..](#)

#### **German Group of IABSE**

- March 23, 2015, Stuttgart, Germany, 'Young Engineers Colloquium 2015'.

[More..](#)

#### **British Group of IABSE**

- March 27, 2015, Manchester, UK, 'Future of Design'. [More..](#)

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