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1. Last Call for Papers: IABSE Conference Nara 2015

Abstract submission by May 15, 2014

The IABSE Conference 'Elegance in Structures' will be held in Nara, Japan, from May 13-15, 2015. Participants wishing to present a paper according to the Themes and Topics, are kindly invited to submit an abstract online at:

www.iabse.org/nara2015

Themes and Topics: Design and Construction; Innovations of Analysis, New Application of Materials to Structure; New Technological Advances on Sustainability; Smart Solutions to Mitigate Natural Disasters; Historical Structures; Aesthetic Design; New Structural Form. Download the brochure [here..](#)

2. IABSE Conference Geneva 2015

'Structural Engineering - a solution provider to global challenges' is the title of the IABSE Conference Geneva, to be held from September 23-25, 2015. This conference will be a new, unique event with debates and interactive value adding activities, based on high level keynote introductions and contributions. It is organised by a Core Group under the leadership of former IABSE president Klaus H. Ostenfeld, and with contribution from an international Reference Group to be established. An official preliminary conference invitation will follow shortly, [read more..](#)

3. SEI 2/2014 Published!

The SEI May 2014 issue covers 'Information and Communications Technology in

Construction and Design'. Hard copies have been sent to all members and subscribers. See the Table of Contents [here...](#) or check out its [e-version here..](#)

4. PostDoc Fellowships - DTU Global Decision Support Initiative (GDSI)

Denmark Technical University (DTU) invites highly talented young researchers who have obtained outstanding results during their PhD studies and who have demonstrated excellence and potential in their field of study, to apply for one of the individual postdoc fellowships under the [HC Ørsted Postdoc Programme](#).

This funding programme does not favour any particular research area, however, as an option there is the possibility to formulate proposals related to the activities and priorities of the Global Decision Support Initiative ([GDSI](#)), see also: www.gdsi.dtu.dk/Research/HC-Oersted-grants.

5. iabse.org Tips

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- that IABSE Publications published between 1929-1999 can be accessed and downloaded for free in the IABSE Online Archive? [Explore the Archive here..](#)
- that as a Member you also have the benefit of accessing and downloading all SEI articles from 1992 onwards for free [via the Members Area?](#)
- that there is a new Online Shop with a selection of IABSE publications for you [here?..](#)

6. News from the National Groups

Finland - The Finnish Group of IABSE together with the Finnish Association of Civil Engineers (RIL) arranged the IABSE Nordic Summit 'Engineering and Beyond' from April 9-10, 2014. The focus was to discuss topical trends in structural engineering and plan for the goals of the 2015 workshop in Helsinki. The programme consisted of eight invited lectures, a panel discussion and tour to the historic renovated Seaplane Hangar in Tallinn. President David A. Nethercot participated too, [read the report..](#)

USA - The U.S. Group of IABSE recently co-sponsored the SEI/ASCE Structures Congress in Boston Massachusetts. From April 3-5, over 1500 engineers from the States and around the world, attended. The U.S. Group of IABSE held two IABSE sessions: one session featured timber structures and included four very exciting and technically challenging structures. This session followed the traditional IABSE format in that speakers presented their projects followed by questions and answers from the audience. The other session 'The Philosophy of Sustainability', led by Honorary IABSE Member, Robert Silman, was held in form of a stimulating panel discussion which was followed by lively debate from the

audience. [Read the report..](#)

Spain – Taking advantage of the presence of many of the most prestigious bridge designers worldwide at the 37th IABSE Symposium Madrid 2014 (3-5 Sept. 2014), the Spanish Group of IABSE is organising a ‘Workshop on Bridge Design’ on September 2, 2014. The workshop will be at the same venue as the Symposium. The aim of this event consists of promoting design, inspiring future generations and bringing together young designers with leading designers. It will feature talks by renowned Master and Junior speakers and an innovative workshop on bridge design guided by experts. One month before the event, a problem statement (footbridge) will be provided to the participants for the proper development of their ideas prior to the workshop. A prize for the best design will be awarded during the Symposium of IABSE. The workshop is aimed at Young Civil Engineers and Architects and students. For more information contact geiabse@ceu.es

7. Calendar of Events

2014

Co-Sponsored by IABSE

May 16-18, 2014, Shanghai, China, ‘IC-SDCI - International Conference on Sustainable Development of Critical Infrastructure’, [More..](#)

IABSE Workshop

June 22-24, 2014, Fribourg, Switzerland, IABSE Workshop ‘hybrid2014 by ivbh.ch’ - Exploring the Potential of Hybrid Structures for Sustainable Construction’. [More..](#)

Co-sponsored by IABSE

June 30-July 2, 2014, Porto, Portugal, ‘EURODYN’2014 - IX International Conference on Structural Dynamics’. [More..](#)

Co-sponsored by IABSE

July 15-18, 2014, Calgary, Canada, ‘SMSB-IX, 9th International Conference on Short and Medium Span Bridges’. [More..](#)

Co-sponsored by IABSE

July 16-18, 2014, London, UK, Footbridge 2014. [More..](#)

IABSE Symposium

September 3-5, 2014, Madrid, Spain, 37th IABSE Symposium ‘Engineering for Progress, Nature and People’ (Annual Meetings precede Symposium). [More..](#)

2015

IABSE Conference

May 13-15, 2015, Nara, Japan, IABSE Conference ‘Elegance in Structures’. [More..](#)

IABSE Conference

September 23-25, 2015, Geneva, Switzerland, ‘Structural Engineering – a solution provider to global challenges’, Annual Meetings precede the

Conference.

2016

Co-sponsored by IABSE

June 15-17, Zielona Gora, Poland, 'ICMS 2016 - XIII International Conference on Metal Structures'.

Co-sponsored by IABSE

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

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

IABSE National Group Events

2014

British Group of IABSE

May 15, 2014, London, UK, [Annual General Meeting](#) and [Annual Lecture](#).

Swedish Group of IABSE

June 10, 2014, Stockholm, Sweden, ['Seminarium för Brokonstuktörer'](#)

Turkish Group of IABSE

May 23, 2014, Ankara, Turkey, ['3rd Steel Bridges and Structures Workshop'](#)

British Group of IABSE

July 9-11, 2014, London, UK, Henderson Colloquium (upon invitation only)

Swiss Group of IABSE

October 9, 2014, Lucerne, Switzerland, ['YES2014'](#)

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