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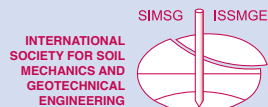
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LETTER OF INVITATION

The ITA-AITES Czech Tunnelling Association cordially invites you to **13th International Conference entitled "Underground Construction Prague 2016"**, which will be held in Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic, from 23rd to 25th May 2016. This is the largest Czech tunnelling conference, which is held regularly every three years. Past conferences, especially Underground Construction Prague 2010 and 2013, confirmed that the Prague conference thanks to its scientific programme, venue and social programme found a firm position among similar European conferences. This confirms the participation of distinguished European and international experts at each conference.

We hope that the attractiveness of the **13th International Conference Underground Construction Prague 2016** will be enhanced by connection with the **3rd Eastern European Tunnelling Conference (EETC 2016)**. The EETC is a biennial regional tunnelling conference. It aims to promote the sharing of knowledge, experience, skills, ideas and achievements in the design, financing and contracting, construction, operation and maintenance of tunnels and other underground facilities among the countries of Eastern Europe, on an organized basis and with agreed aims.

The conference will surely bring interesting information about the important constructions in the Czech Republic, as over 4 km long railway tunnel Ejovice currently excavated by an EPB shield, upcoming project of the Prague metro line D or findings from the recently realised extraordinary constructions – the Blanka road tunnel complex and extension of line A of the Metro. We also hope that our Slovak colleagues who were involved in the preparation of the conference, will present a series of posts that will be inspired by the unprecedented scope of the existing tunnel excavation in the Slovak Republic. Eastern European countries will also be actively represented with a number of significant constructions in their countries.

The joint conference will be held at the Clarion Congress Hotel Prague and will include a technical exhibition and a poster session. The conference dinner will take place at the extraordinary and favorite environment of the Brevnov Monastery in Prague 6.

See you in our capital city of Prague which will welcome you in its blooming spring beauty.

Ivan Hrdina
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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Conference name:	Underground Construction Prague 2016
Conference date:	May 23–25, 2016
Conference venue:	Clarion Congress Hotel Prague Freyova 33, Prague 9 – Vysočany, Czech Republic www.cchp.cz
Official languages:	English and Czech/Slovak simultaneous translation will be provided



The Clarion Congress Hotel Prague is a new modern hotel complex aimed at congresses and conferences. At the same time offers pleasant accommodation in comfortably furnished rooms, restaurant, bar and wellness center. Its advantage is an excellent transport accessibility – it is located directly at the metro station “Vysočanská” (line B), less than 15 minutes drive from the city centre. It has sufficient space in underground garages for guests arriving by car. Next to the hotel a shopping gallery Fénix can be found.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Monday, May 23, 2016

- Opening Ceremony
- 4 Keynote Lectures
- 2 parallel sessions on 8 topics
- Technical exhibition
- Poster session
- Conference dinner at the Břevnov Monastery

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

- 2 parallel sessions on 8 topics
- Technical exhibition
- Poster session

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

- Technical excursions



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Thematical Sessions:

1. Conventionally excavated tunnels
2. Mechanically excavated tunnels
3. Other underground structures and repositories
4. Geotechnical investigation and monitoring
5. Numerical modelling, development and research
6. Equipment, operational safety and maintenance
7. Risk management, contractual relationships and funding
8. Historical underground structures and reconstructions

A significant foreign expert will give an invited lecture at the beginning of each section.

Other parts of the technical programme:

Keynote Lectures will be given by prominent domestic and foreign experts after the Opening Ceremony of the conference.

Poster Section will be available for authors whose proposal has not been selected for oral presentation.

Technical Exhibition of the conference partners and other companies will be installed next to the session halls and in the conference floor foyer.

Technical Excursions to tunnel construction sites in Prague and its surroundings, plus Slovakia, will be held on the third conference day.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME



The conference reception will be held at the Břevnov Monastery where refreshments and cultural programme will be provided. The reception is part of the registration fee for the conference. A ticket for an accompanying person can be purchased extra.



REGISTRATION

The registration of conference participants and accompanying persons and accommodation booking will be available online at the conference website www.ucprague.com from **15 November 2015**.

Registration fees

Fee	Early registration till 31 January 2016	Standard registration till 31 March 2016	Late registration from 1 April 2016 and onsite
Delegate	350 EUR	390 EUR	430 EUR
Student*	100 EUR	100 EUR	100 EUR
Accompanying person	80 EUR	90 EUR	90 EUR
Reception only	40 EUR	45 EUR	45 EUR

All prices include VAT.

*A student ID must be presented

The registration fee includes:

- Admission to the scientific programme of the conference including a poster section and exhibition
- Conference materials including electronic Proceedings and printed Book of Abstracts
- Attendance at the Reception
- Participation in the technical excursion
- Coffee breaks and lunches

The student fee includes:

- Admission to the scientific programme of the conference including a poster section and exhibition
- Electronic Proceedings and printed Book of Abstracts
- Participation in the technical excursion
- Coffee breaks

The accompanying person fee includes:

- Admission to the Opening Ceremony
- Participation at the Reception
- Guided walk in the historical centre of Prague
- Half day excursion out of Prague by bus



CALL FOR PAPERS

Information for authors of the papers:

- The abstract of 300-500 words must be submitted no later than **31 October 2015**
- The abstract will only be accepted if submitted electronically via the conference website www.ucprague.com
- The acceptance (or non-acceptance) notification of a paper including instructions for paper's presentation will be sent to authors no later than **30 November 2015**
- The completed paper including all pictures and graphical annexes and the extended abstract must be submitted no later than **31 January 2016**
- The paper and the extended abstract must be prepared exactly according to instructions (template) for authors, otherwise it may be rejected by the conference organisers.

Further instructions for authors will also be available at the conference website www.ucprague.com. All communication among authors, lecturers and conference organisers will be done electronically.

All accepted papers will be published in the electronic Proceedings in English and will also include papers from the Czech and Slovak Republics in Czech or Slovak languages.

At the same time the printed Book of Abstracts with summary of abstracts in English and Czech or Slovak languages will be available.

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Since 1974, the International Tunnelling and Underground Space Association has grown to a federation of 71 Member Nations; acquire a consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council, developed a network for the worldwide tunnelling community, established a platform for the developing of new technologies, brought awareness of the possibilities for underground space to decision makers, encouraged safety throughout at all levels of the industry and established a training program.

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