



GEOTECHNICS IN MARITIME ENGINEERING

Gdańsk, Poland 15-18 September 2008













Invitation

On behalf of the ISSMGE, the Polish Committee on Geotechnics and Gdansk University of Technology (Department of Geotechnics and Applied Geology) we invite you to participate in the 11th Baltic Sea Geotechnical Conference, which will be held in Gdansk, 15-18 September 2008.

The goals and scope of the conference

Construction activities, which take place in onshore and offshore conditions are very often confronted with difficult geotechnical problems. Generally, the geotechnical design in maritime engineering requires the knowledge of almost all aspects of soil-structure interaction as well as of the behaviour of different types of soils. The exchange of such experiences among engineers and researchers is therefore very important, especially when it can be accomplished at an international level.

The main aim of the 11th Baltic Sea Geotechnical Conference is to provide a forum for an intensive transfer of ideas and experiences with other engineering and research groups. Significant contributions from industry are encouraged and hence the ultimate aim is to bring together state-of-the-art research in Geotechnics in maritime engineering with current industrial experiences.

The conference is not limited only to the countries of the Baltic Sea area and participants from other regions are warmly welcomed.

Venue and accomodation

The Conference will be held in Gdansk, which is an old Hanseatic town and the Polish maritime capital. Lying on the Bay of Gdansk on the southern coast of the Baltic Sea, the city is a large centre of commerce and industry, science, culture and a popular tourist destination.

The Hevelius conference centre, located in the Old Town, has been selected as the venue. This centre offers excellent facilities including hotel accommodation. Further details on accommodation will be given in Bulletin 2.

Registration fees

Registration fees will be kept as low as possible and will include: proceedings, welcome reception, lunches, coffee breaks and technical visits. For young researchers and engineers reduced fees will be offered as well.

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Conference topics

The topics of the conference sessions are as follows:

- Soil Mechanics: field and laboratory testing
- Theoretical solutions, numerical analysis in soil mechanics
- Foundations of onshore and offshore constructions and maritime coasts
- Site characterisation
- Geoenvironmental engineering
- Case histories

Conference format

The Conference will be of three days duration. The sessions will be arranged in the order of the topics listed above. Final arrangements depend on the number of the papers submitted. Each session will start with a lecture given by an invited professor followed by presentations from the conference participants.

Call for papers

Participants intending to present a paper are invited to send a one page abstract in English to the conference secretariat in Gdansk. The abstracts should include the title of the paper, authors, mailing address, e-mail, telephone and facsimile number. The abstract should clearly state the purpose and the conclusion of the full paper. Submitting of an abstract is possible by mail, fax: +48-583471933 or e-mail to the following address: 11bc@pg.gda.pl.

Language

The official language of the Conference is English

Important dates

Deadline for abstracts: October 15, 2007 Acceptance of abstracts: December 1, 2007 Deadline for full papers: February 29, 2008

Conference proceedings

All papers accepted and reviewed by the scientific committee will be published in the conference proceedings, which will be available at the conference.

Poster sessions

All authors whose papers are accepted are encouraged to present their contributions at poster sessions. The poster sessions will have an official opening.







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Exhibitions, technical visits

An exhibition will be held in the main Conference hall, offering an opportunity for organizations and companies to display their products and services.

Technical visits of special interest around Gdansk, Sopot and Gdynia will be organized and details will be published in Bulletin 2.

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