

## ICP MEETING

**Date:** 04 July October 2024

Presents: Jacques Monnet (JM), Jean-Pierre Baud (JPB), Robert Heintz (RH), , Alexandre Lopes (AL) , Wissem Frikha (WF) , Emad Sharif (EAU), Anna Shidlovskaya (AS), Marek Tarnawski (MT), Louis Marcil (LM), Jean-Louis Briaud (JLB), Julien Habert (JH), Dusan Berisavljevic (DB), Arash Alimardani Lavasan (AAL), Vincenzo Silvestri (VS), António Joaquim Pereira Viana Da Fonseca (AVDF), Michael Pavlakis (MP), David Elwood (DE), Serge Varaksan (SV), Monique (M)

Absent with apologies: Ramdane Bahar (RB), Roger Frank (RF),

### **Agenda:**

- organization of ISP'8

### **Main subject of the meeting:**

#### **I. Presentation**

WF thanks and welcomes the members of the committee present on the meeting

#### **II. Main subject of the meeting: Preparation of the new ISP (place, date, etc.)**

- Next ISP will be held at the university of Luxembourg, amphitheater with capacity for 200 persons for lectures from the 2<sup>th</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2025..

### **Organization Committee:**

- The conference will be managed (organising committee) by Robert Heinz, Arash Alimardani Lavasan (AAL), Romain Meyer and Monique
- Prof. Lavasan (ALL) suggested / pointed as president of the organizing committee. Please confirm.
- ALL confirm the possibility to have Students from the university to help the organization

### **List of topics:**

- All agree to use the list of topics from ISC7 as a starting point and complete / refine it as the organization / scientific committee establishes its way to go.

### Short courses:

4 themes identified, with two “on site” courses about (1) pressuremeter and (2) phicometer :

#### Ménard Pressuremeter tests :

- Execution and interpretation (attributed to Robert Heintz and Jean Pierre Baud)
- Application of Ménard test results to Foundation design (attributed to Julien Habert and Alexandre Lopes)

#### Phicometer test :

- execution and interpretation (attributed to Robert Heintz and Moulay Zahrouni). Note that it would be interesting to dispose of other test data from the same site (PMT, lab tests like triax, etc)

#### Stiff Soil / Soft Rock :

- challenges in intermediate geomaterials and the interest of pressuremeters (attributed to Antonio Viana da Fonseca, Yasmin Byrne, David Elwood, Jean-Louis Briaud, Emad Cherif)

#### Soil improvement :

- Historical aspects and nowadays practice (Attributed to Serge Varaksin, Hamidi Babak and colleagues from Menard and Keller)

### Keynote Lectures:

- A query will be sent to all members of ICP. Each member will suggest 4 names. The most quoted names will be selected. Wissem Frikha (WF) will be in charge of sending the email and collecting the data.

### Scientific Committee:

- All members of ICP will have the possibility to participate in the scientific committee. Each member can suggest names
- Alexandre Lopes suggests himself as president of the Scientific Committee. No Objections.
- Wissem Frikha will be in charge of sending the email of conformation/ proposition to ICP members.

### Organizational Deadlines :

- 01/09/2024- website/logo and first publication
- 01/12/2024 – Abstract submission
- 01/01/2025 – Notice of Abstract acceptance
- 01/03/2025 – Paper Submission
- 01/05/2025 – Papers reviewed
- 01/06/2025 – Submission of final version of the papers

### Other organizational aspects :

- Proposition of Menard award for best prestation/ paper (not to be confused with the Ménard Lecture)

- Bright Spark Lecture (?) – ISSMGE TC conferences generally provide one lecture to young members
- Organization committee should contact the exhibitors and sponsors ASAP
- Suggested by Jean-Louis Briaud (JLB), to contact professor Zekkos at UC Berkeley (zekkos@berkeley.edu) who is on the ISSMGE Board and looks after all internet interests for ISSMGE. He will be good advice to use a paper submission system and for publishing the papers online.

End of discussion

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