GeoShanghai International Conference 2006 Shanghai, China June 6-8, 2006



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INTRODUCTION

Since the 1st announcement of "GeoShanghai International Conference" was released, we have received support from Chinese/international academic institutions and industry. Approximately 800 abstracts from 33 countries were received and about 400 technical papers have been accepted for publication in 8 ASCE GSPs (Geotechnical Special Publication) after peer reviews. The conference will be held on June 6-8, 2006 in Shanghai, China.

PROGRAM

Technical sessions will run over three days consisting of featured and invited general theme/keynote lectures and delegate presentations. Coffee breaks and luncheons will be provided as well as a welcome reception, banquet, tour of Tongji University and a night tour of Huangpu River. The scientific program and conference tours have been arranged and can be found in this brochure.

REGISTRATION

Please fill out the **Conference Registration Form** provided in the brochure or downloaded from http://www.geoshanghai.org and send it back via fax or email. Participants are encouraged to register for the conference as early as possible to take advantage of the pre-registration fee incentives and to ensure their reservation requirements are met. The registration fees (Prices in US dollars) are as follows.

Registration Fee (Prices in US dollars)

Regular registration	\$595
Early bird (by April 6, 2006)	\$495
On-site registration	\$645
Student	\$250
Accompanying Person	\$150

Payment Methods

1. By Credit Card

Only Visa/Master cards are acceptable. The payment should be made by faxing the registration form to: Annette Jones, Center for Transportation Research, 309 Conference Center Bldg., The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996-4133, USA., PH. (865) 974-5255 FAX (865) 974-3889

2. By Check

Only casher's checks or money orders issued in US dollars and drawn on US banks are acceptable.

Make check payable to the University of Tennessee.

3. By Bank Wire Transfer

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- Account Holder's Name : Shanghai Tongji Yantu Jianzhu Shiye Gongsi

CONFERENCE CHAIRS

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

June 5 (Mon)	June 6 (Tue)	June 7 (Wed)	June 8 (Thu)	June 9 (Fri)	
	Registration (7:30 to 8:30)				
	Opening Ceremony (8:30 to 9:20)	James K. Mitchell Lecture (8:30 to 9:15)	Keynote Lecture		
	Featured Lecture (9:20 to 10:00)	Keynote Lectures (9:15 to 10:00)	(8:30 to 10:00)	Post-	
	Coffee Break (10:00 to 10:30)	Coffee Break (10:00 to 10:30)	Coffee Break (10:00 to 10:30)	Conference Field Trip to Construction	
	General Theme Lectures (10:30 to 12:00)	Theme		Sites in Shanghai (9:00 to15:00)	
	Lunch (12:00 to 13:30)	Lunch (12:00 to 13:30)	Lunch (12:00 to 13:30)		
	5 Technical Sessions (13:30 to 15:30)	5 Technical Sessions (13:30 to 15:30)	5 Technical Sessions (13:30 to 15:30)		
Registration	Coffee Break (15:30 to 16:00)	Coffee Break (15:30 to 6:00)	Coffee Break (15:30 to 16:00)		
(13:30 to 17:00) Tour of Tongji University	5 Technical Sessions (16:00 to 18:00)	5 Technical Sessions (16:00 to 18:00)	5 Technical Sessions (16:00 to 18:00) Tour of Tongji University		
		Social Hours (18:00 to 19:30)	Closing Ceremony (18:00 to 18:30)		
	Welcome Reception (18:30 to 20:30)		Banquet & Night Tour (18:30 to 21:00)		

INVITED GENERAL THEME AND KEYNOTE LECTURES

Featured Lecture:

2010 Shanghai World Expo, Prof. Zhiqiang Wu, General Designer, Shanghai World Expo Organizing Committee, Tongji University, China

General Theme Lectures:

New Frontiers in Geotechnical Engineering - Challenges and Opportunities, Prof. James K. Mitchell, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, USA

Pile Group Settlement Estimation – Research to Practice, Prof. Harry Poulos, the University of Sydney, Australia

2nd James K. Mitchell Lecture: Stress-Strain-Strength of Soils from In-Situ Tests, Prof. Paul W. Mayne, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

Keynote Lectures:

Joint Lecture: Some Key Problems on Stability Analysis of Underground Rock Structures, Prof. Linde Yang, Tongji University, China; Recent Studies of Rock Dynamics for Underground Development, Prof. Jian Zhao, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne, Switzerland

Waste Mechanics: Recent Findings and Unanswered Questions, Prof. Edward Kavazanjian, Arizona State University, USA

Field Applications of Unsaturated Soil Mechanics, Prof. Eduardo Alonso, Universidad Politécnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain

The Role of Research in the Evolution of Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering Practice, Prof. W.D. Liam Finn, the University of British Columbia, Canada

Joint Lecture: Three-dimensional Slope Stability Analysis: Recent Advances and a Forward Look, Prof. Zuyu Chen, China Institute of Water Resources and Hydropower Research, China; Geosynthetic Reinforced Earth Structures, Prof. Dov Leshchinsky, the University of Delaware, USA

Joint Lecture: Constitutive Modeling of Geomaterials in General Stress Systems, Prof. Teruo Nakai, Nagoya Institute of Technology, Japan; Application of Structured Soil Models to Shallow Footing Problems, Prof.John P. Carter, University of Sydney, Australia

Pavement Interlayer System Mechanism: Separation, Reinforcement, and Reflective Cracking Control, Prof. Imad Al-Qadi, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA

Joint Lecture: Micro-geomechanics: Characterization and Behavior, Prof. J. David Frost and Prof. J. Carlos Santamarina, the Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

JAMES K. MITCHELL LECTURE

The Mitchell Lecture was established by TC 16 of the International Society on Soil Mechanics & Geotechnical Engineering to honor James K. Mitchell, Emeritus Professor of the University of California-Berkeley and Emeritus Professor of Virginia Tech. Professor J.K. Mitchell provided major contributions in the area of in-situ testing related to the interpretation and development of the cone penetrometer, piezocone, lateral stress cone, acoustic cone, and vibrocone, as well as significant advancements in environmental geotechnics, ground improvement, and soil behavior. His book on the Fundamentals of Soil Behavior was just re-issued in its 3rd edition by John Wiley & Sons (2005). The 2004 Mitchell Lecture was given by Professor Hai-Sui Yu of the University of Nottingham, UK during ISC-2 (Porto) and entitled: "In-situ soil testing: from mechanics to interpretation" that was published in Geotechnical & Geophysical Site Characterization, Vol. 1, Millpress, Rotterdam: pp. 3 – 38. The 2006 Mitchell Lecture will be delivered by Professor Paul W. Mayne on the "Stress-Strain-Strength Response of Soils from In-Situ Penetration Tests" during the GeoShanghai International Conference 2006.

IN HONOR OF PROF. MEHMET T. TUMAY

A special session will be held to honor Mehmet T. Tümay for his outstanding contributions to the profession, research and education in geotechnical engineering. Prof. Mehmet Tümay is an exceptional teacher and mentor, whose long and selfless dedication to education and training of both graduate and undergraduate students qualifies him for this important recognition. His vision and leadership in creating a nationally and internationally recognized Geotechnical Engineering program at LSU is one of the many highlights of his professional career. Mehmet Tümay continued his outstanding contributions to the field during his service years at National Science Foundation, Transportation Research Board, US Universities Council for Geotechnical Education and Research, and Geo-Institute of ASCE. His academic, research, and consulting affiliations include universities, research institutions, and industry in the U.S., The Netherlands, France, Turkey, Korea, Norway, Taiwan, Poland, Brazil and China, A visionary and leader in the development of and application of cone penetration testing in geotechnical engineering, Mehmet Tümay has done extensive research for the past 40 years in the areas of in-situ evaluation of engineering properties of soils, soil physico-chemical behavior, and novel methods of soil improvement. This special session to be held at Geoshanghai meeting will focus on a topic dear to him, i.e., 'in situ penetration methods to characterize soils'.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Stabilization of Ballasted Rail Tracks and Underlying Soft Formation Soils with Geosynthetic Grids and Drains B. Indraratna, M. A. Shahin, C. Rujikiatkamjiorn, and D. Christie.

Vacuum Consolidation and Its Combination with Embankment Loading J.-C. Chai, S. Hayashi, and J.P. Carter

A Simplified Solution for the Consolidation of Composite Foundations X.-N. Gong and H.-F. Xing

Establishing Serviceability Limit State in the Design of Bridge Foundations, S. G. Paikowsky and Y. Lu

Progress Towards Harmonized Geotechnical Design in Europe T. L. L. Orr Statistical Analysis of Kwangyang Marine Clay for Compression Index G. L. Yoon, B. T. Kim, Y. W. Yoon, and J. S. Shim

A Statistical Method to Determine Sample Size to Estimate Characteristic Value of Soil Parameters Y. Honjo, B. Setiawan, and M. Suzuki Serviceability Considerations in Reliability-Based Foundation Design L. M. Zhang and K. K. Phoon

DAWG FORUM ON PAVEMENT PERFORMANCE DATA ANALYSIS

The Transportation Research Board's <u>Data Analysis Working Group</u>, affectionately called "the DAWG", will conduct a forum on pavement performance data analysis at Tongji University in Shanghai, China, on June 8, 2006, the last day of the GeoShanghai International Conference 2006. During the GeoShanghai Conference, there will be six sessions on pavement related topics. These sessions will be held on the first two days of the conference so as not to conflict with the DAWG forum. This forum will be organized by the TRB DAWG's Steering Committee and sponsored by the School of Transportation Engineering at Tongji University. All attendees of GeoShanghai who are interested in the analysis of pavement performance data are welcome to attend the DAWG forum.

The DAWG is an international forum for the discussion of methods of analysis of pavement performance data. Presentations at DAWG forums address the technical interests of professionals engaged in highway research and engineering design, maintenance, and rehabilitation. Presentations focus on work-in-progress concerning new techniques for extracting and analyzing data, and preliminary results of recent applications of these techniques. Topics such as model building, sensitivity analysis, and development of transfer functions linking structural response to distress are especially popular.

The atmosphere at a DAWG forum is informal to encourage presenters to present their current incomplete work and to accept frank questions, comments, and suggestions for improvement. The agenda is prepared in advance from responses to a call for abstracts. Abstracts are reviewed solely for conformity with DAWG guidelines, and as many abstracts as time permits are placed on the agenda. Distribution of presentation materials is not required, presentations are not published, and comments by forum attendees are not recorded.

DAWG forums are held twice each year: immediately preceding the TRB Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, in January and approximately at the midyear at another location. The midyear meeting is usually held in conjunction with a major highway pavement conference where it is expected that many attendees will also be interested in participating in a DAWG forum.

DAWG forums are open to everyone interested in the subjects to be discussed, and all attendees enjoy equal status. There is no registration or fee required to attend these forums, but advance notice of intent to attend this forum is recommended.

For additional information, contact Dr. A. Robert Raab at RRaab@nas.edu

EXHIBITION

See a separate flyer or website for details.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

PARTICIPANT DETAILS (Please Print Clearly) Prof./Dr./Mr./Ms. Family Name: Given Name: Institution/Company: Address: City: _____ State ___ Zip Code: ___ Country: _____ E-mail: Tel: Fax: Dietary Restriction: ☐ Vegetarian ☐ other: REGISTRATION SELECTION ☐ Full registration (after April 6, 2006) \$595 ☐ Full registration (by April 6, 2006) \$495 ☐ Full registration (on-site) \$645 □ Student \$250 ☐ Accompanying person x \$150 = Name(s): US\$ Total ☐ DAWG Forum on June 8 (no extra fee) Post-conference field trip to construction sites in Shanghai on June 9 (no extra fee) ASCE Geotechnical Special Publication (GSP) Selection Please select two GSPs for a full registration and one GSP for a student registration ☐ Site and Geomaterial Characterization ☐ Underground Construction and Ground Movement ☐ Ground Modification and Seismic Mitigation ☐ Advances in Earth Structures: Research to Practice ☐ Advances in Unsaturated Soil, Seepage, and Environmental Geotechnics ☐ Soil and Rock Behavior and Modeling ☐ Innovative Methods for Foundation Analysis and Design ☐ Pavement Mechanics and Testing

PAYMENT METHODS:					
Conference Registration Fee: US\$					
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□ By bank wire transfer Name of Bank: Bank of Shanghai, An'shan Sub-branch Account Number: 316641 - 00001617808 Swift Code: BOSHCNSH Account Holder's Name: Shanghai Tongji Yantu Jianzhu Shiye Gongsi					

Note: Please write the name of participant when you remit the money and send us a copy of bank statement with your registration form to:

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Cancellation policy: If you are not able to attend the conference after registration, you should notify to the secretariat via email or fax. Refund will be made to you upon the receipt of the request as follows: 50% refund if request received by May 15; No refund if request received after May 15 but a substitute delegate will be acceptable.

VENUE

The GeoShanghai International Conference 2006 will be held at Shanghai International Convention Center (SICC), i.e. Oriental Riverside Hotel Shanghai as shown in the map below, at Pudong, east of the Huangpu River.

Address: 2727 Riverside Avenue, Shanghai 200120.

Tel. (86)21-5037 0000. Fax. (86)21-5037 0999.

For more information about SICC, please visit http://www.shicc.net



Transportation (From Pudong International Airport to SICC)

Airport Information Desk is in the front of Domestic Security Check on the arrival floor (1st floor)

1. Taxi

Taxi Stand: Taxi Stand is on the passenger car platform on the 2nd floor.

- Approximately 45 minutes
- Approximate cost of RMB130



2. Airport Bus + Taxi

Airport Bus Line 5 to Dongfang Hospital, and then take a taxi to SICC with cost of RMB10

-Air Bus Stand: Air Bus stand is near the Exit No.14 on the arrival floor (1st floor).

Buses from Pudong International Airport to SICC operate on 20-30 minute intervals during the flight operation hours (7:20~23:00). The most convenient and cheapest way to get to SICC is Airport Bus. Ticket to Dongfang Hospital costs RMB14 and can be purchased in the bus.



For more information on transportation, please click http://www.shanghaiairport.co m/en/airline02 a.jsp.

3. Maglev Train to Longyang station + taxi or Maglev Train to Longyang station + Metro Line 2

Maglev Demonstration Line - from Pudong International Airport to Longyang Road Metro Station - the 30-kilometer trip will take only eight minutes.

Maglev Train Station is on the second floor. One way ticket to Longyang station is RMB40 with your air ticket and then you can take a taxi (RMB30) to the SICC, or take Metro Line 2 to Lujiazui station (RMB 4) and then walk to the SICC around 5 minutes.





Note:

All international flights arrive at Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG). Most domestic flights arrive at Shanghai Hongqiao Airport (SHA). PVG is 35 km from city center, while SHA is 13.5 km from city center. Airport buses and taxis are available whenever there are flights.

HOTELS

To make a hotel reservation, please complete the <u>AGREEMENT OF PAYMENT FOR BOOKING</u> and send it to <u>Shanghai Airlines Tours</u>, <u>International</u>. The hotel reservation will be made on first-come, first-served basis and one night deposit must be guaranteed by a credit card in order to secure your reservation.

Hotel List & Rate

Star	Hotel Name	Single/double deluxe Room	Remark
****	Oriental Riverside Hotel (i.e. SICC)	US\$184+15% RMB1470+15%	Incl. b'fast
***	Tong Mao Hotel	US\$92+15% RMB730+15%	Incl. b'fast
***	Jiang Tian Hotel	US\$41+15% RMB322+15%	Incl. b'fast

Note: Above fee is price in 2005 Exchange rate, which is subject to change and US\$1 is approximately ¥8.07 as of Jan 2, 2006. **Charter buses will be available between SICC and last two hotels above**.

You are welcome to make your own arrangements at other hotels if you wish, although we will not be able to arrange your reservation or transport between your hotel and the SICC. For more information on hotels, please call: (86)21-62266908 Ms. Vicki Lee

Payment Methods for Hotel Reservation and Tours

1. Bank Transfer

Payments by bank transfer:

US Account Name: Shanghai Airlines Tours, International

Account No.: 4033603-8300-04333608093014

Bank Name: Bank of China, Shanghai, Changning Sub-branch

2. **Payments by bank draft/check**: Made payable to <u>Shanghai Airlines</u> Tours. International. Please mail to

Ms. Vicki Lee

Shanghai Airlines Tours, International, 5/F 599, Jiang Su Road, Shanghai 200050, China E-mail: weijiali@satrip.com
Tel: (86)21-62266908 Fax: (86)21-62267955

- 3. **Payments by credit card**: Only Visa, Master and American Express are acceptable.
- 4. Payments made after arrival at Shanghai should be made in US dollars in cash or traveler's checks or credit card.

CONFERENCE TOURS

Accompanying Person's Tours

Tour	Date	Time	Price	Itinerary
Shanghai Day Tour	6th June Tuesday	08:00 ~17:00	RMB 210 / Person	Hotel — People's Square — Shanghai Museum — Yu Garden — the Bund — Hotel
Hangzhou Day Tour	7th June Wednesday	07:30 ~18:30	RMB 450 / Person	Hotel — West lake (Lake under the Autumn Moon) — Lingyin Temple — Longjing Tea Plantation —Hotel
Zhou Zhuang Day Tour	8th June Thursday	08:30 ~17:00	RMB 350 / Person	Hotel — Zhou Zhuang —Shen's House — Zhang's House — Twin Bridge —Hotel

Note: prices are set for 10 attendees or more per person.

includes: First entrance fees for scenic spots listed in the itinerary, Bus service,

English speaking guide service, tourist liability insurance

excludes: food and boat ticket (zhouzhuang)

Tours before/after the Conference

Tour	Date	Price	Itinerary
Beijing, Xi'an	5 days & 4 nights	RMB 10,300 /Person	Beijing (Tian'anmen Square, Forbidden City, Great Wall, Ming Tombs) - Xi'an (Xi'an City Wall, Terracotta Warriors, Huaqing Hot Spring)
Tibet	4d3n	RMB 10,810 / Person	Lasa (Potala Palace, Jokhang Temple, Barkhor Square, Drepung Monastery, Sera Temple, Tibet Museum)
Xin- jiang	5d4n	RMB 8,020 / Person	Urumchi (Heavenly Lake, Xinjiang Regional Museum) — Turpan (the Nanshan Pastures, Karez Irrigation System, the Flaming Mountain, the Bezeklik Thousand Buddha Caves, Ancient Ruins of Gaochang, the Emin Minaret) – Urumchi
Kun- ming	5d4n	RMB 7,658 / Person	Kunming (Western Hill, Stone Forest) - Dali (Erhai Lake, Three Pagodas, ancient town of Dali) — Lijiang (Jade Dragon Snow Mountain, Baisha Fresco, Ancient town of Lijiang, Black Dragon Pond) — Kunming

Note: Prices are set for 2 attendees or more per person.

Includes: airplane ticket (out and home), Chinese meal in the itinerary, entrance fees for scenic spots listed in the itinerary, Bus service, English speaking guide service, 4 star hotel (2 persons in 1 room; pay RMB 515 if single room)

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VISA REQUIREMENTS

Anyone wishing to travel to and enter China must have a valid passport and an appropriate Chinese visa unless from a country that has visa exemption agreements with China. Please complete the **Conference Registration Form** and send it to us, and we will forward you an **Invitation Letter** (needed for the visa application) .

Requirements

- A. Passport with validity for 6 months for single entry visa;
- B. Passport with at least one full blank visa page;
- C. One completed Visa Application Form (U.S. citizens are required to provide two forms) (Chinese name must be stated if applicants have).
- D. One recently-taken passport size photo (U.S. citizens are required to provide two photos).
- E. Full amount of visa fee.
- F. When to apply: within 3 months before the intended data of entry to China.
- G. Business Visa (F): invitation from authorized institutions in China.

Where to Apply

Embassy of the People's Republic of China, consulate of China, or Chinese visa application center in your country or region.

Application Fee

As the application fees may be different in different countries, please contact local Embassy of the People's Republic of China, Consulate of China, or Chinese visa application center or visit their websites.

For specific visa queries you can contact (86)21-62565900 x 286 or visit: http://www.shanghai.gov.cn/shanghai/node8059/node8302/node8968/index.html

Tibet Entry Permit Requirements

As a foreign tourist or mountaineer visiting Tibet, except for a valid passport and a Chinese visa unless from a country that has visa exemption agreements with China, you should also possess a Tibet Entry Permit for submittal to the Tibet Tourism Bureau (TTB), a government agency.

The Tibet Entry Permit will be applied by Shanghai Airlines Tours, International for delegates who will be visiting Tibet.

FRIENDLY TIPS

Foreign Consulates in Shanghai

For emergency, please find your consulate in Shanghai at: http://www.shfao.gov.cn/wsb/node111/node142/node144/index.html

Language

The official language of GeoShanghai2006 is English. Staff in most tourist hotels and airport and shop assistants in big shopping centers can speak English.

Weather

The monthly average temperature in June is 26.4° Celsius. The average low temperature in early June is about 22.9° C and the high is about 30.6° C (73.2° to 87.1° F). The precipitation in the month is about 38.5 mm.

Shopping

Stores open at 8:30 or 9:00 and close at 20:30 or 21:00, every day of the week. Shanghai is a shopper's dream place, where the streets are thickly strewn with department stores, shopping centers, age-old stores, specialty stores, and super markets. Virtually all the famous Chinese and foreign brands and the latest fashion can be found here. Souvenir stores are concentrated in Nanjing Road, Huaihai Road, Sichuan Road North, Yuyuan Bazaar, and Xujiahui. A special shopping excursion from Yuyuan Bazaar to Nanjing Road and then to Zhangyang Road of Pudong brings visitors on a tour of discovery of the city's commodities and its ancient, modern and contemporary history.

Electricity

The electric current used in China is 220V 50Hz. The hotels can provide 220V and 110V (shavers only) power outlets. Please note that plug adapters may be necessary.

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