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Dear EUROCK friends,

On the behalf of the Organizing Committee we are pleased to welcome you to EUROCK 2014, the 2014 ISRM European Rock Mechanics Symposium ‘ROCK ENGINEERING AND ROCK MECHANICS: STRUCTURES ON AND IN ROCK MASSES’, organized by the School of Mines of the University of Vigo and the Spanish Society for Rock Mechanics in the town of Vigo, Spain.

The Symposium is held on 27-29 May 2014 in the Centro Social Novacaixagalicia. Two short courses and a Workshop are held before the Symposium dates and some technical visits are programmed for the following day.

EUROCK 2014 is the latest symposium in the series of annual European rock mechanics symposia that started in 1992 with the symposium “Rock Characterization” held in Chester UK. It was preceded last year by EUROCK 2013, which was held in Wroclaw, Poland, and will be followed next year by EUROCK 2015, which will be held in Salzburg, Austria. These Symposia periodically bring together researchers and practitioners for the exchange, assessment, discussion and dissemination of theory and practice in the field of rock mechanics and rock engineering. With a firm worldwide vocation, EUROCK has earned a solid reputation of being an international forum of technical discussion and scientific advance that has helped to shape the broad body of knowledge of rock engineering over the years.

6 keynotes and 249 papers from around 40 countries were accepted for publication, out of which around 160 are programmed for oral presentation and the rest will be shown as posters. Presentations and discussion will consolidate knowledge and bring out new ideas for rock engineering improvement and future research. Along with the conference a parallel exhibition provides an excellent opportunity to see the latest technologies of our field.

We would like to thank authors and delegates for taking their time to write and to share their knowledge through participation in EUROCK. Our recognition also to all those that have helped in the countless tasks that organizing a conference encompasses and, particularly, to the members of the Scientific and Review Committees. Thanks are also due to sponsoring companies and institutions, and exhibitors for believing in EUROCK 2014 and helping with their support and presence to make this conference a success.

Vigo is Galicia’s largest town. It is a location that is attracting an increasing number of tourists with its mix of history, outstanding gastronomy, beautiful beaches and a modern cosmopolitan outlook. It also offers wonderful opportunities for sightseeing and cultural tourism in the surrounding area. I am sure you will enjoy its appeal.

We wish the rock mechanics community gathered in Vigo a fruitful and joyful conference and look forward to several days of interesting discussions and pleasant events.

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### Sunday 25th May
- **SESSION**
  - 8:30 - 9:00: Courses registration
  - 9:00 - 13:00: "Two day course: Numerical Modelling in Rock Engineering"
  - 14:30 - 18:00: "Two day course: Numerical Modelling in Rock Engineering"
- **ROOM**
  - ROOM 2 2nd Floor
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- **Lunch break** 2nd Floor

### Monday 26th May
- **SESSION**
  - 8:30 - 9:00: Courses registration
  - 9:00 - 13:00: "Two day course: Numerical Modelling in Rock Engineering"
  - 14:30 - 18:00: "Two day course: Numerical Modelling in Rock Engineering"
- **ROOM**
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- **Lunch break** 2nd Floor

### Tuesday 27th May
- **SESSION**
  - 8:30 - 9:00: Courses registration
  - 9:00 - 13:00: "Two day course: Numerical Modelling in Rock Engineering"
  - 14:30 - 18:00: "Two day course: Numerical Modelling in Rock Engineering"
- **ROOM**
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- **Lunch break** 2nd Floor

### Wednesday 28th May
- **SESSION**
  - 9:00 - 9:50: Plenary Session II
  - 9:50 - 10:40: Plenary Session III
  - 10:40 - 11:10: Coffe break
  - 11:10 - 13:10: Parallel sessions S10-S12
  - 13:10 - 13:40: Poster session
  - 13:40 - 15:00: Lunch break
  - 15:00 - 16:00: Parallel sessions S4-S6
  - 16:00 - 17:00: Session 16: Topic 8
  - 17:00 - 17:30: Coffe break
  - 17:30 - 18:30: Parallel sessions S19-S21
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- **Technical visits**

### Thursday 29th May
- **SESSION**
  - 9:00 - 9:50: Plenary Session IV
  - 9:50 - 10:40: Plenary Session V
  - 10:40 - 11:10: Coffe break
  - 11:10 - 13:10: Parallel sessions S10-S12
  - 13:10 - 13:45: Poster session
  - 13:45 - 15:15: Lunch break
  - 15:30 - 16:30: Session 19: Topic 7
  - 16:45 - 17:45: Closing Ceremony
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- **Technical visits**

### Friday 30th May
- **SESSION**
  - 9:00 - 9:50: Plenary Session VI
  - 9:50 - 10:40: Plenary Session V
  - 10:40 - 11:10: Coffe break
  - 11:10 - 13:10: Parallel sessions S10-S12
  - 13:10 - 13:45: Poster session
  - 13:45 - 15:15: Lunch break
  - 15:30 - 16:00: Session 21: Topic 2
  - 16:45 - 17:45: Banquet
- **ROOM**
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  - ROOM A

- **Technical visits**
COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

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We live in a beautiful city
The course schedule will be from 9:00 am till 1:00 pm with mid-morning coffee break, then lunch and will continue at 2:30 pm till 6:00 pm with an afternoon coffee break.

The objective of this course is to provide a background on the numerical modelling for rock engineering problems using two and three-dimensional finite element tools. The participants will be provided with Phase2 and RS3, state of the art 2- and 3-dimensional geotechnical software which are being used around the world.

Module I: Introduction to Finite Element Method for geotechnical problems

- Model development [construction of geometry, meshing, loads and boundary conditions, analysis options]
- Material models and constitutive relations
- Interpretation of results

Module II: Analysis of underground excavations using a two-dimensional approach (Phase2)

- Stress analysis
- Support types (bolts, liner, structural elements)
- Model development
- Interpretation of results

Module III: Support design for tunnels using three-dimensional FE tools [RS3]

- Model development in 3D
- Sequence design
- 3D support elements (forepoles, liners, bolts, structural elements)
- Interpretation of results

Module IV: Continuum numerical modelling for jointed rock mass problems (Phase2)

- Application of FEM to jointed rock mass
- Implicit vs. Explicit joint modelling
- Modelling of Discrete Fracture Networks (DFN)

Module V: Rock slope stability analysis using shear strength reduction method (Phase2 & RS3)

- Application of FEM to slope stability analysis
- Shear Strength Reduction approach
- Deep seated slope failure
- Blocky rock mass slopes

Module VI: Groundwater analysis (Phase2 & RS3)

- Saturated-unsaturated transient groundwater analysis
- Permeability functions
- Boundary conditions
- Seepage analysis of staged excavations

Module VII: Probabilistic analysis for surface and underground excavations (Phase2)

- Principles of statistical analysis
- Probabilistic inputs and outputs
- Reliability
- Interpretation of statistical results
ROCK MECHANICS SOLUTIONS FOR ORNAMENTAL ROCK PROTECTION & ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE CONSERVATION

2nd Floor - Room 4

Director & Chairman:
José Delgado Rodrigues,
Geologist, Principal Research Officer, LNEC-Portugal

This course aims to provide a dialogue between rock mechanics and conservation of architectural and archaeological sites with the objective of identifying, in the field of geotechnical engineering, analysis and application technologies or novel theoretical premises able to characterize, diagnose and treat the conservation problems of the rocks used in architectural and archaeological heritage.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

09.30  Presentation
10.00  Geological information for monuments preservation: from macro to micro scales
       J. Delgado, LNEC-Portugal
11.00  Physical and mechanical characterization: limitations on the study of rocks used in cultural heritage
       T. Rivas, ETSI Minas, University of Vigo. Spain
12.00  Coffee break
12.30  Evaluation of treatments for conservation and restoration of ornamental rocks.
       M.J. Mosquera, Department of Chemistry-Physics, University of Cádiz, Spain.
13.30  Roundtable
14.00  Lunch
15.30  Modelling of masonry structures
       J. Lemos, researcher of LNEC-Portugal
16.30  Coffee break
17.00  Rock mechanics methodologies for the mechanical characterization of masonry structures
       J. Muralha, researcher of LNEC-Portugal
18.00  Presentation of issues by the participants and discussion roundtable
10:00 Introduction
Andrew Bond
Eurocode 7 and rock engineering: current problems and future opportunities
J. P. Harrison

10:25 EC7 review, rock mass characterisation
Some key issues regarding application of Eurocode 7 to rock engineering design
L. Lamas, A. Perucho & L. R. Alejano
Critical review of Eurocode 7 regarding rock mass characterization
L. R. Alejano, A. M. Ferrero & A. Sofianos
The approach to rock mechanics in Spanish normative documents
A. Perucho & J. Estaire
Critical review of EC7 concerning prescriptive measures for rock mechanics design
R. Olsson & A. Palmstrøm

11:25 Discussion / refreshment break

12:05 Characteristic values, partial factors
EC7 and the application of analytical and empirical models to rock engineering
J. P. Harrison, H. Stille & R. Olsson
On the applicability of the Eurocode 7 partial factor method for rock mechanics
A. Bedi & T. L. L. Orr
Assessment of characteristic failure envelopes for intact rock using results from triaxial tests
J. Muralha & L. Lamas
Characteristic strength of anisotropic rock
N. Bozorgzadeh & J. P. Harrison

13:05 Discussion

13:45 Lunch

14:30 Design by empirical, prescriptive and calculation methods
Ultimate and Serviceability State Design Using the Same Partial Safety Factor of Contact Pressure for Strip Foundation Loaded by Column Loads
K. C. Avellan
Design of Rock Dowels Using Numerical Analysis and Eurocode 7
A. Koe & B. Ogunmakin
Reliability against translational slip of rock slopes designed according to Eurocode 7
P. P. Namikos & A. I. Sofianos
Spread foundations and slope stability calculations on rocks according to Eurocode EC-7
J. Estaire & G. Olivenza

15:30 Discussion / refreshment break

16:10 Observational Methods
How to refine the Observational Method as described in EC7 in applied rock mechanics
H. Stille & D. Virely
Critical review of Eurocode 7 regarding monitoring rock masses by field instrumentation: devices and data analysis
M. R. Migliazza, A. M. Ferrero, A. Segalini & G. Umili
Application of the Observational Method in the Åspö Expansion Project
R. Christiansson, J. Olofsson, D. Martin, M. Holmberg, & Anders Carlsson
Towards an improved observational method
J. Spross, F. Johansson, H. Stille & S. Larsson

17:10 Discussion

17:50 Summary / Clousure
J. P. Harrison
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08:30-09:30 REGISTRATION

09:30-10:20 OPENING CEREMONY
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Leandro R. Alejano
Opening address by Leandro R. Alejano, Chairman of the Organizing Committee
Opening address by Xia-Ting Feng, President of the International Society of Rock Mechanics (ISRM)
ISRM Presentation by Dr. Luís Lamas, Secretary General of ISRM
Opening address by Abel Caballero, Mayor of Vigo
Opening Address by Salustiano Mato, Chancellor of the University of Vigo
Opening Address by Frédéric Pellet, President for Europe of the ISRM

10:20-11:10 PLENARY SESSION I
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Eda Quadros

Keynote Shear strength of rock, rock joints and rock masses – problems and some solutions
Nicholas R. Barton

11:10-11:40 COFFEE BREAK
Exhibition area – Floor E

11:40-13:40 PARALLEL SESSIONS 1-3

SESSION 1: TOPIC 1: ROCK PROPERTIES AND TESTING METHODS
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Frederic Pellet

Experimentally-based relation between dynamic and static elastic moduli of various sandstones and a quartzite
M. Alber
Artificial Neural Network (ANN) Based Model for Predicting of Overall Strength of Volcanic Bimrock
H. Sönmez, A. Coskun, M. Ercanoglu, D. Turer, K. E. Kasapoglu & C. Tunusluoglu

Quantifying the discrepancy in preloads estimated by Acoustic Emission and Deformation Rate Analysis
M. Karakus
Prediction of the mechanical compressive behavior of granite using intelligent tools
T. Miranda, F. F. Martins & G. Vasconcelos
A detailed look at pre-peak dilatancy in a granite – determining "plastic" strains from laboratory test data
G. Walton, M.S. Diederichs & J. Arzúa
Upscaling Elastic Moduli in Copenhagen Limestone
N. Katic & H. F. Christensen
Damage detection of rocks under conventional triaxial compression
Effect of Loading Rate on Fracture Behaviour of Rock Materials
Q. B. Zhang & Y. Zou
Temperature-Confining Pressure Coupling Effects on the Permeability of Three Rock Types under Triaxial Compression
K. M. B. Alam, M. Niioka, Y. Fujii & D. Fukuda
Biot’s Effective Stress Coefficient of Rocks for Peak and Residual Strengths by Modified Failure Envelope Method
A. B. N. Dassanayake & Y. Fujii

SESSION 2: TOPIC 5: DESIGN METHODS AND ANALYSIS
Room: Conference hall – 3rd Floor
Chairman: Tiago Miranda

Continuum and discontinuum modelling of gravity dams on jointed rock foundations
Y. M. Alshkane, A. M. Marshall & L. R. Stace
Comparison of Predicted and Actual Conditions of the Rock Mass in the Tunnel Stražina
K. Ravnjak, G. Greget & M. S. Kovac
On the Interpretation of Numerical Results in the Study of Rapid Landslide Runout Phase
M. Pirulli, C. Scavia & M. Tararbra
CFD-DEM simulations for injection of cement-based grout - the effect of rock fracture roughness
Sakakibara Shinya, H. Shimizu & T. Kayama
Efficient Numerical Integration of PerzynaViscoplasticity, with Application to Rock Slope Stability using Zero-Thickness Interface Elements
I. Aliguer & I. Carol
Kinematic analysis of block rotations in a jointed rock mass
M. Patsch & W. Schubert
Vibration propagation in discrete element particle models of rock
R. Resende, E. Fortunato, C. Andrade & T. Miranda
Different FEM Models for Simulation of the Osterberg Load Test in Rock Shafts
S. Melentijevic & C. Olalla
System Reliability Analysis of a Circular Rock Tunnel Using a First Order Approximation
P. Zeng & R. Jimenez
Application of a novel constitutive shortcrete model to tunneling
B. Schaedlich, H. F. Schweiger, T. Marcher & E. Saurer

SESSION 3: TOPIC 6: MONITORING AND BACK ANALYSIS
Room A - 4th floor
Chairman: Roger Olsson
Photographic documentation of the face of a TBM-driven tunnel
M.R. Henzinger & R. Galler
Rockfall monitoring system for improving road safety
Geotechnical safety management for tunnels
W. Schubert & B. A. Moritz
Numerical simulation of sliding and toppling of a block system
Gian Paolo Giani, S. Orsatti & L.R. Alejano
Determination of states of stress in hard rocks: Results of laboratory conducted finite deformation analysis
A. Förster & Ch. Lempp
Monitored and calculated deformational behaviour of a large cavern during excavation
M. Espada & L. Lamas
Towards rockfall prediction: linking pre-failure deformation with precursory rockfall events
M. J. Royan, J. M. Vilaplana & A. Abellán
Determination material properties on Bedding Contact for slope stabilization at the low-wall part of coal mine
Sujatono Supandi, St. Mt.
Analysis of the geotechnical data monitored during Saint-Martin-la-Porte access gallery excavation
H. Tran Manh, J. Sulem & D. Subrin
Back analysis and Radar Interferometry Monitoring in a Large Open Pit Slope

13:40-15:00 LUNCH BREAK   Exhibition area – Floor E
15:00-16:45 PARALLEL SESSIONS 4-6

SESSION 4: TOPIC 1: ROCK PROPERTIES AND TESTING METHODS
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Luis González de Vallejo
Reversible deformation phenomena of a high stressed rock samples
V. V. Makarov, L.S. Ksendzenko, A.M. Golosov & N. A. Opanasiuk
Laboratory analysis of thermal fatigue in limestone
M. Gasc- Barbier, G. Girma & V. Gendre
Identification of rheological behavior of salt rock at elevated temperature, case study: Gachsaran evaporative Formation, Iran
N. A. Ghavidel, A. Nazem, M. Heidarizadeh, M. Moosavi & H. Memarian
Estimation of rock mass deformation modulus using a Bayesian approach
X. D. Feng & R. Jimenez
Geotechnical characterization of low strength anisotropic rocks in the Strait of Gibraltar area
A. Perucho, M. Muñiz & J. A. Diez
Identification of the dependency to water content of the mechanical properties of Channel tunnel chalk
S. Maiolino
Experimental relationships among strength parameters in monaxial loading conditions determined for porous effusive rocks
T. Rotonda, L. Verrucci & P. Tommasi
Shapes of failure in collapsible materials
A. Perucho, A. Serrano & M. Conde

SESSION 5: TOPIC 5: DESIGN METHODS AND ANALYSIS
Room: Conference hall – 3rd Floor
Chairman: Diego Mas-Ivars
Principles and methodologies for the design of hydroelectric large underground caverns
R. Plassart & F. Loigle
D&B versus TBM: Review of the parameters for a right choice of the excavation method
F. J. Macias & A. Bruland
Design and control of the EDZ for a deep repository in crystalline rock
H. Ilmner, T. Lehtimäki & R. Christiansson
Test study on a new rock burst tendency index — yield degree and its influencing factors
B. H. Guo, Chen & P.F. Gou
Risk Associated with Swelling Rocks in Volcanic Formations in the Design of Hydro-Tunnels
J. M. Galera, M. Paredes, C. Menchero & V. Pozo
The Reduction of Surface Settlement by Employing Umbrella Arch Systems for Different Excavation Methods
J. Oke, N. Vlachopoulos & M. S. Diederichs
Abo Hamour, TBM Launch Shaft—a rock mass classification attempt for a deep shaft in Doha, Qatar
J. B. Styopulkowski, A. K. Pathak & F. G. Bernardeau
Finite element simulation of crack initiation and propagation in rocks
G. Sivakumar & V.B. Maji

SESSION 6: TOPIC 6: MONITORING AND BACK ANALYSIS
Room A - 4th floor
Chairman: Antonio Abellán

Modelling and redesign of retaining system of a Deep excavation in marl formation using back analysis results
Y. Kazan
Isolation roof caving control and monitoring technology of room and pillar method goafs
W. Li, B. Zhang & Z.W.Bi
A new approach for evaluation of insitu inclinometer measurements based on two cases in Turkey
M. Mesuto lu & I. Ozkan
Deterministic Insitu block size estimation using 3D terrestrial laser data
H. Vanhaekendover, D. Ngan-Tillard, R. Lindenbergh, S. Slob & U. Wezenberg
A two-dimensional vibration model for mountain tunnel lining built with poling-board method
Y. Gao, Y. Jiang & B. Li
Real time displacement monitoring using GPS for assessing slope stability
N. Shimizu, S. Nakashima & Y. Furuyama
Analysis of the performance of an evolutionary computation algorithm in the identification of geomechanical parameters in underground works
T. Miranda, A. Gomes, J. Sena-Cruz, L. Costa & D. Dias
Extended rock mass characterization from 3D images
A. Gaich, M. Pötsc & W. Schubert

16.45-17.10 POSTER SESSION I
2nd floor (registration aisle)

TOPIC 1: ROCK PROPERTIES AND TESTING METHODS

A New Rheological Hardening Model for prediction of Creep Deformation of Rock Samples
M. Karami, A. Fahimifar & E. Pakniat
A lab-testing based geomechanical characterization of metamorphic rocks focusing on post-failure behavior
I. Pérez-Rey, J. Arzúa, J. Barbiero, L. R. Alejano & G. Walton
A new approach of limit equilibrium models for rock
M. J. A. Leal-Gomes, C. A. J. V. Dinis Da Gama
Development of testing methods of Thin Spray-on Liner shear-bond strength
Proposal of a new rock creep model
V. Brotons, S. Ivorra, R. Tomás, J. Martinez-Martinez & D. Benavente
Correlations between static and dynamic elastic modulus of a calcarenite heated at different temperatures
V. Brotons, S. Ivorra & R. Tomás
Textural anisotropies characterization of granitic rocks using P waves velocity
L. Calleja, A. Rodrguez-rey, V.G. Ruiz De Argandoña, N. Sánchez Delgado & C. Camino
Considerations on the laboratory estimate of the basic friction angle of rock joints
J. González, N. González-Pastoriza, U. Castro, L. R. Alejano & J. Muralha
Failure behavior and acoustic emission pattern of slate and mica schist in uniaxial loading
N. Slatalla & M. Alber
The static and dynamic elasticity parameters of laminated silty-clay shales at the simulated depth up to 4 km
A. Dziedzic & J. Pininska
X-Ray fluorescence methods for the recognition of minerals and rocks. Application to granite
N. Baral-Ramón, R. Pérez-Alvarez & R. Lain Huerta
Applicability of acoustic emission technique for vertical stress determination in mine pillars
G. Paneiro & C. Dinis Da Gama
Fracturing and Indirect Tensile Strength of Brittle and Ductile Rocks
N. Erraslan & M. Ghamgosar
 Petrophysical interpretation of mechanical behaviour of ornamental stones from Galicia (Spain)
N. Sánchez, A. Rodríguez-Rey, L. Calleja, V. G. Ruiz de Argandoña & C. Camino
**SESSION 8: TOPIC 2: ROCK MASS CHARACTERIZATION**

**Room:** Conference hall – 3rd Floor

**Chairman:** Murat Karakus

- Characterizing the influence of microheterogeneity on the strength and fracture of rock using an FDEM-μDFN approach
  - P. Hamdi, D. Stead & D. Elmo
- Coupling photogrammetric data with a discrete element model for rock slope stability assessment
  - V. Bonilla-Sierra, F. V. Donzé, L. Scholtès & M. Elmouttie
- Foundation properties of variably weathered rock beneath a heavy mineral processing plant
  - D. C. Starr & E. T. Brown
- Estimation of crack tensor components for the different distributions of crack orientation
  - A. F. Idziak
- Ageing of chalk rocks in underground quarries
  - N. Lafrance, M. Souley, C. Auvray, O. Favreau & V. Labiouse

**SESSION 9: TOPIC 4: MINING AND QUARRYING ENGINEERING**

**Room A - 4th floor**

**Chairman:** José Miguel Galera

- The toppling of large blocks on the northeast slope of the Meiama mine
  - P. Ramírez-Oyanguren, C. M. Bassa, R. G. Philippon & M. Fernández-Pello
- Mining induced static stress transfer and its relation to a high-precision located Mw = 1.9 seismic event in a South African gold mine
  - M. Ziegler, K. Reiter, O. Heidbach, A. Zang, G. Kwiatek, T. Dahm, G. Dresen & G. Hofmann
- Kinematic analysis of the western pitwall of the Main Pit in the Letseng Diamond Mine, Lesotho
  - M. N. Lephatsoe, E. D. C. Hingston, M. Ferentinou & N. Lefu
- Prediction of Deformation Modes of Rock Slope Due to Excavation on Plateau Type Mine
  - Najib, D. Fukuda & J. Kodama

**20:15 WELCOME RECEPTION**

Castrelos Manor House

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH MAY

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Chairman: Aurea Perucho

Keynote Foundations on rock masses
Claudio Olalla

09:50–10:40 PLENARY SESSION III
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: José Muralha

Keynote Representation of rock discontinuities in safety analysis of large dams
José Lemos

10:40–11:10 COFFEE BREAK
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SESSION 10: TOPIC 1: ROCK PROPERTIES AND TESTING METHODS
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Chairman: Alexander Sofianos

Experimental evaluation of the fracture toughness of a limestone
G. SuheitiHelmer, J. Sulem, J. Rohmer, S. Ghabezloo & Hild. F

Energy analyses of uniaxial impact compressive tests for coalmine sandstone after cyclic wetting and drying
P. Yuan & Q. Y. Ma

Abrasivity measures on geotechnical materials of the Barcelona area
C. González, M. Arroyo & A. Gens

Measurement of the basic friction angle of rock by three different tilt test methods
J. Ruiz & C. Li

Evolution of Damage on Tensile Fracturing of Rock by Means of Elastic Ultrasonic Wave Velocity
M. Ghamgosar, N. Erarslan & D. J. Williams

The effect of Cyclic Loading Amplitude and Notch Crack Inclination Angle on the Fracture Toughness Test on Brisbane Tuff-Multiple Factorial Analyses
M. Ghamgosar & N. Erarslan

Understanding the boundary effects by means of numerical modelling when performing punching test on small samples
J. P. Tshibangu, F. Descamps & G. Di Paolo

The comparison of compression and impression relaxation tests with different diameters of indenter in salt rock
F. Tavanaei, M. H. Mehranpour & M. Moosavi

A Rock Mass Elastic Modulus Estimation Using Mae Moh Mine’s Large Scale Experiment Data
C. Leelasukseere, N. Mavong & A. Chaiwan

SESSION 11: TOPIC 9: PETROLEUM ENGINEERING, HYDROFRACKING AND CO2 STORAGE
Conference hall – 3rd Floor
Chairman: Jose Albarellos

Numerical Modeling of Composite Bilaminate Materials as an Analog for Strength Variation in Anisotropic Shale Formations
B. R. Crawford, N. DeDontney & B. AlRamahi

Prediction of rock strength with matrix acidizing stimulation and induced wormhole by computational simulation methods
N. Jahani, G. Berge & B. Haugen

Effects of reservoir development on the well casing behavior

Fracture properties after hydraulic stimulation in low - permeability sediments [GeneSys - project]
E. Pechan, T. Tischner & J. Renner

Shale Geomechanics: Optimal Multi-Stage Hydraulic Fracturing Design for Shale and Tight Reservoirs
J. Leem & J. Reyna

A coupled HM-XFEM method for fracture dynamics and groundwater flow in geological porous media
M. Faivre, R. Giot, F. Golfier & P. Massin

Dependency of deformability, strength and failure characteristics of clay shales on capillary suction
F. Amann, K. Wild & L. Wymann

A preliminary evaluation of an enhanced FDEM code as a tool to simulate hydraulic fracturing in jointed rock masses
A. Lisjak, G. Grasselli, O. K. Mahabadi, P. Kaifosh & T. Vietor

QA/QC on Physical and Mechanical Rock Properties Relevant for Geomechanical Analysis
U. Prasad, J. A. Franquet & D. A. Curry

Wellbore stability prediction: An improved methodology for a limited set of data
A. Diaz & K. Williams
**SESSION 12: TOPIC 3: ROCK MECHANICS FOR INFRASTRUCTURES**

*Room A - 4th floor*

**Chairman:** Fernando Pardo de Santayana

1. Distinct element method simulation of stress fracturing around an underground opening
   - N. Bahrani, B. Valley & P. K. Kaiser

2. Gravitational instability of a micaschist formation and its effects on road infrastructure
   - D. Simic & J. López

3. In-situ stress amplification in tunnels from Spain, Iran and Chile estimated by TSI and SAF indices
   - L. González De Vallejo, T. Hijazo, J.M. Galera & Z. A. Entezari

4. Numerical analysis and monitoring of the Matinkylä Metro Station, Espoo, Finland
   - J. Pölöä & Konstantas

5. Quantitative assessment of an Excavation Damaged Zone from variations in seismic velocity and fracture distribution around a gallery in the Horonobe Underground Research Laboratory
   - K. Aoyagi, K. Tsusaka, K. Kondo & D. Inagaki

Main difficulties and lessons learnt during the TBm excavation in shafts in the North portal of Pajares tunnels

**M. B. Díaz Agudo, J. García De Muro & R. Rodríguez**

6. Sliding stability analysis of a gravity dam founded on a rock mass with an impersistent joint set
   - M. Cabrera, S. Senent, C. Olalla & R. Jiménez

Analysis of the conditions of stability and stabilization of two slopes, in AP-68 with K.P. 59+743 to 60+038 and in AP-7 with K.P. 581+250 to 581+315, incorporating the terrestrial photo-restitution

**F.J. Castanedo-Navarro, S. Rodón & M. Sopena**

13:10–13:40 **POSTER SESSION II**

*2nd floor (registration aisle)*

**TOPIC 2: ROCK MASS CHARACTERIZATION**

- Geophysical Characterization of an Instable Rock Mass
  - C. Colomerio & C. Comina

- Horizontal stresses at shallow depths in Seoul (Korea) gneissic region
  - E. S. Park, B. H. Choi, S H.. Bae & S. Jeon

**TOPIC 9: PETROLEUM ENGINEERING, HYDRO-FRACTURING AND CO2 STORAGE**

Laboratory simulation of CO2 injection in sandstones and sands for improved seismic monitoring of CO2 reservoirs

**I. Falcon-Suárez, L. North, A. Best, J. Sottocit, J. Canal-Villa & J. Delgado-Martín**

Cements of improved sealing capacity in CO2 geological storage

**E. Estévez, L. Valle, D. del Barrio, G. Blázquez, T. Kovács & V. Blázquez**

Fracture Mechanical Evaluation of Hydraulic Fracturing Laboratory Experiments

**F. Stoeckhert, S. Brenne, M. Molenda & M. Alber**

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On the use of the continuity factor for rock mass properties based on a review of the representative elementary volume

**P. Zhou & F. Johansson**

Geotechnical characterization and correlations obtained in Flysch unit

**R. Moreno Bernal, Alkorta Lertxundi, G. Martínez Ruiz & S. Sánchez Rodríguez**

Mechanical characterization of the rocks involved in the Albuñuelas landslide (South Spain)


Characterization of the rock joints by fractal analysis

**R. Galindo, A. Serrano & C. Olalla**

Impact of destress blasting on stress field development ahead of hardcoallongwall face

**P. Konicek, J. Ptacek, L. Stas, R. Kukutsch, P. Wacławik & A. Mazaira**

Optimum Extraction of Pillars by FLAC-3D. Where Surface Features is the Major Constrain

**K. Das & G. Shiva Kumar**

Detection of faults and hidden granites in metallic mine using ground penetrating radar tomography

**F. Yang, C. Du, X. Xu, Y. Liang & X. Xu**

MGC–rocDesign|CALC: a geomechanical calculator tool for rock design


An approximation to the prediction of the extent of the area crushed around a blasting drill

**F. García-Bastante, E. Alonso & M. A. González**

Preliminary Design of Underground Crushing Chamber

**E. Trigueros, M. Martinez & I. Alhama**

Slope Stability Control of a Coal Mine during the filling of the artificial lake

**J. I. Piñeiro, J. Taboada & J. Martínez Torres**

Back Analysis of a general rock failure in a marble quarry

**M. Martínez-Segura, E. Trigueros & J. Mulas**

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Constraining the magnitudes of maximum and minimum horizontal stresses from borehole breakouts – A comparison between different rock failure criteria – W. Lin
Drilling optimization based on A Geomechanical Analysis using Probabilistic Risk Assessment, A Case Study from Offshore Iran S. Rafieepour & H. Jalalifar

13:40–15:00 LUNCH BREAK
Exhibition area – Floor E

15:00–16:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS 13-15

SESSION 13- TOPIC 8: CASE HISTORIES AND PRESERVATION OF NATURAL STONE
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Maria Rita Migliazza

Hazard analysis for rockfall onto touristic beaches from overhanging cliffs in ophiolitic rockmass M. Coli, I. Erbetta & E. Livi
A new approach for modeling heat transfer between a freeze pipe and the surrounding ground M. Vitél, A. Rouabhi, M. Tijani & F. Guérin
Temperature induced changes on the mechanical properties of a calcarenite V. Brotons, R. Tomás & S. Ivorra
Analysis of Potential Rockfalls and Protection Measures for the Mardin Castle, Turkey N. Dadashzadeh, C. Aras, N. Yassiloglu-gultekin, A. Bilgin & H.S.B. Duzgun

SESSION 14- TOPIC 9: PETROLEUM ENGINEERING, HYDROFRACKING AND CO2 STORAGE
Room: Conference hall – 3rd Floor
Chairman: Brian Crawford

Studies in fracture stimulation induced tectonics in rock require new test equipment J. B. Surjaatmadja, D. Meadows, K. Coffman & D. Loope
Anisotropic mechanical properties of shales and the influences on hydraulic fractures Tiegang Fan, Guangqing Zhang & Y. Lou

16:00–17:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS 16-18

SESSION 16- TOPIC 8: CASE HISTORIES AND PRESERVATION OF NATURAL STONE
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Michael Alber

Dynamic strain wave analyses of parallel cut blasting model test for vertical shaft Q. Y. Ma, Pu Yuan, B. Han, J. S. Zhang & H. X. Liu
The use of active seismic methods to study seismic waves anisotropy in Triassic dolomites I. Stan-Kleczek & M. J. Mendecki
Slope stabilization at km 25.5 El Cobre highway – CODELCO Chile, El Teniente mine division V.H. Recabarren & F.J. Peña Díaz
Analysis of a deep-seated slope movement in a marly arenaceous formation E. Celluzzi, A. Grazziani & A. Lembo-Fazio

SESSION 15- TOPIC 3: ROCK MECHANICS FOR INFRASTRUCTURES
Room A - 4th floor
Chairman: Claudio Olalla

Update of 1989 Bieniawski’s RMR guidelines for tunnel excavation and support M. Romano
A review on the impacts and causes of landslides associated with recent earthquakes in Iran F. Pellet, K. Amini Hosseini & M. Keshavarz Bakhshayesh
Application of the Hoek & Brown (1980) failure criterion to the definition of the foundation of an arch dam C. M. Baena, C. Granell & C. Olalla
A unified thermoplastic/viscoplastic constitutive model for geomaterials S. Raude, F. Laigle, R. Fernandes & R. Giot
3D Geomechanical Modeling of Cavity Growth in Loosely Consolidated Sandstone M. Nassir & D. A. Walters
SESSION 17: TOPIC 9: PETROLEUM ENGINEERING, HYDROFRACKING AND CO2 STORAGE
Room: Conference hall – 3rd Floor
Chairman: Jordi Delgado

Application of Transient Methods to the Assessment of Permeability of Well Cements
I. Falcon-Suárez, B. Rodríguez-Cedrún, J. Delgado-Martín & J. Canal-Vila

Geomechanical Simulation of the Injection of CO2 into Saline Aquifers with Respect to Risk Assessment
M. Adams, M. Feinendegen, M. Ziegler & T. Kempka

Coupled hydro-mechanical simulations demonstrate system integrity at the Ketzin pilot site for CO2 storage, Germany
T. Kempka, S. Klapperer & B. Norden

Assessing the permeability anisotropy of claystone by pulse test methods
R. Giot, C. Auvray & A. Giraud

Effect of supercritical CO2 on the Carvio Sandstone in a flow-thru triaxial experiment
J. Canal, J. Delgado, I. Falcón, V. Barrientos, R. Juncosa & B. Rodríguez-Cedrún

SESSION 18: TOPIC 2: ROCK MASS CHARACTERIZATION
Room A - 4th floor
Chairman: Harun Sönmez

Relationship between RMRb and GSI based on in situ data
F. Ceballos, C. Olalla & R. Jiménez

Results of Laboratory Tests on Artificial Block-in-Matrix Rocks
T. Pilgerstörfer & W. Schubert

Preliminary assessment of the scaling relationships of in-situ stress orientation variations indicated by wellbore failure data
B. Valley & K. F. Evans

Mathematical development of stress-strain law for rock block contacts
R. Galindo, A. Serrano & C. Olalla

Geotechnical characterization of rocky materials from Arteara rock avalanche (Gran Canaria)
M. Santana, J. Estaire & J. Yepes

17:00–17:30 COFFEE BREAK
Exhibition area – Floor E

SESSION 19: TOPIC 7: EXCAVATION AND SUPPORT
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Mathew Perras

Analytic stress solutions for a circular pressure tunnel at great depth including support delay and pure slip boundary condition

A semi-analytical procedure for circular opening in strain-softening rock masses
L. Cui, J. Zheng & R. Zhang

Rock grouting and durability experiments of colloidal silica at Kurashiki underground LPG storage base

An Investigation of Different Drill Bits and Drilling Angles in Blast Hole Drilling
D. Akbay & R. Altındaç

The load transfer mechanics of fully grouted cable bolts: a theoretical analysis
J. Chen, S. Saydam & P. Hagan

SESSION 20: TOPIC 4: MINING AND QUARRYING ENGINEERING
Room: Conference hall – 3rd Floor
Chairman: Pedro Ramírez Oyanguren

Evaluation of pillar width on crush pillar behavior using a limit equilibrium solution
M. Du Plessis & D. F. Malan

Application of Stress Control Technologies in Design of Multiple Seam Layouts at Energy West Mining Company
H. Maleki, K. Fleck, C. Semborski, J. Christensen & L. Tonc

Geotechnical Analyses of Mine Seismicity and Control Measures in the Western US Mines
H. Maleki

Using the distribution curves to optimize the block exploitation in natural stone quarries
Turanboy & E. Ülker

A study of a joint model incorporating excavation-induced opening effect
Y. Li, J. Oh, R. Mitra & B. Hebblewhite
SESSION 21: TOPIC 2: ROCK MASS CHARACTERIZATION
Room A - 4th floor
Chairman: Harald Stockhausen

A Tool for Semi-Automatic Geostructural Survey Based on DTM – a Case Study from NW Italy
R. Facello, S. Bonetto & G. Umili

Effects of loading conditions on strength and deformability of fractured rocks – a numerical study
M. NoorianBidgoli & L. Jing

Improving teaching methods of rock mass classification parameters
P. Torrens Barbens, L. Uotinen, T. L. Toivanen & C. Edelbo

Experimental and numerical study of fracture aperture estimation and characteristics of non-linear fluid flow through artificial fracture intersections
R. Liu, Y. Jiang, B. Li, X. Wang & H. Huang

Geomechanical study with outcrop samples to improve drilling performance for an exploration well in Northwest Africa

21:00  BANQUET
Hotel Bahía de Vigo

THURSDAY, 29TH MAY

09:00–09:50 PLENARY SESSION IV
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Carlos Carranza-Torres

Keynote The impact of brittle behaviour of rocks on tunnel excavation design
Derek Martin

09:50–10:40 PLENARY SESSION V
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Jean Paolo Giani

Keynote Rock mass characterization by means of advanced survey methods
Anna Maria Ferrero

10:40–11:10 COFFEE BREAK
Exhibition area – Floor E

11:10–13:10 PARALLEL SESSIONS 22-24

SESSION 22: TOPIC 7: EXCAVATION AND SUPPORT
Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor
Chairman: Wolfgang Schubert

Determination of an “empirical” ground reaction curve useful for designing coal mine roadways support
R. Rodríguez & M.B. Díaz-Aguado

Rock mass variability and TBM prediction
F.J. Macías, P. D Jakobsen & A. Bruland

The Development of a Distributed Optical Sensing Technique to Monitor Forepole temporary support elements employed within an Umbrella Arch System
N. Vlachopoulos, N. Forbes, B. Oke, J. & Hyett, A.J.

Face stability in tunnels excavated by the drill and blast method
S. Senent & R. Jiménez

Study on distribution law of surrounding rock pressure in unsymmetrical loading tunnel with coupling effect from topography and geology
Z. F. Wang, L. H. Xu, Y. Kang, X. C. Wang & X. P. Long

Effectiveness of applied support in tunnels in plastically deformed rockmass - an analysis based on tunnelling projects from Nepal Himalaya
P. K. Shrestha & K. K. Panthi

Analysis on the pre-injection grout consumption at Strindheim Road Tunnel Project, Trondheim, Norway
K. K. Panthi

21:00  BANQUET
Hotel Bahía de Vigo
Dimensioning of a flexible system for the stabilization of a landslide on the access road to Cotobello (Aller, Asturias)
J. Prieto, R. Luis, R. Fernández & M. Fernández
Protective actions against rockslides on roads of Serra de Tramuntana. The case of Blau Gorg detachment on 2008, December 31st.
R. Fonseca, R. Luis, C. Raimat, J. Prieto, J. M. Rius & C. Massanet
A review of ground support systems performance subjected to dynamic loading
L. Li, P. Hagan & S. Saydam

SESSION 24: TOPIC 8: CASE HISTORIES AND PRESERVATION OF NATURAL STONE
Room A - 4th floor
Chairman: Davor Simic
Experiences implementing high energy dynamic barriers as a tool for creating a shadow zone against rockfalls in linear infrastructures
R. Luis, C. Raimat & A. Sanz
Influence of model selection, constitutive behavior assignment and parametric sensitivity on tunnel, cavern and pillar EDZ assessment for a long-term deep geological repository
M. S. Diederichs, T. Lam, M. Jensen, M. Perras & B. Damjanac
Comparison of disc cutter consumptions in two tunnelling machines due to wearing in two tunnels partially built in orthogneiss
P. R. Oyanguren & C. Lain
Analysis of a complex slope failure in a quartzite slope
C. León-Buendía, J. Santamaría, L. R. Alejano & R. Giráldez
Stability analysis of a room & pillar hematite mine and techniques to manage local instability problems
J. Arzúa, L. R. Alejano, I. Clérigo, B. Pons & F. Méndez F. Prada
Safety and economic advantages for rock blasting in urban áreas
C. Dinis Da Gama
Possible mechanical behavior of Elmadag and Artova Formations during tunnel excavation
S. Ö. Dinç & M. C. Tunusluoğlu
Deepening of Juankoski Canal - Strengthening of rock and Blasting under Bridge
K. C. Avellan & T. K. Nuutinen

SESSION 23: TOPIC 4: MINING AND QUARRYING ENGINEERING
Room: Conference hall – 3rd Floor
Chairman: Antonio Samaniego
Modelling methodology: structural geology and rock mass behaviour at Kirunavaara Mine
J. Vatcher, S. D. McKinnon, J. Sjöberg & C. Dahnér
Advanced 3D geotechnical modelling of Las Cruces Open pit
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Parameter characterisation for rock mass preconditioning using hydraulic fracturing
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Simulating the effect of preconditioning in primary fragmentation
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Comparison of change of creep properties of chromite ore under varying stress and time factor to find their interdependence
S. Kabra
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**TOPIC 7: EXCAVATION AND SUPPORT**

Co-Relation Between Physico-Mechanical and Chemical Properties of Cement & Resin Capsules Used in Underground Mines
A. K. Rana, K. Das & G. S. Kumar

Developing Early Age Strength in Fibre Reinforced Shotcrete (FRS): Effects of Accelerator Type and Rate of dosage

Research on the Pre-displacement of Surrounding Rock during Tunneling
W. Shi, L. Miao & B. Zang

A comparative study on the heat loss of rock cavern type and above-ground type thermal energy storage systems

Pit excavation for underground construction in an urban area near an old tunnel
Z. Arbanas, M. Vivoda & P. Kursar

In situ stresses in rock masses: methodology for its study in tunnel projects in Spain
G. Madirolas & A. Perucho

Abacus for the analysis of technical and economic consequences of over-excavation in tunnels
C. Iglesias, M. Veiga & H. Larrocha

Influence of groundwater and joints orientation in the Tunnel Prado support
D. Salorio, J. P. Villanueva, F. J. Castanedo, L. Jordá & C. Oteo

**TOPIC 8: CASE HISTORIES AND PRESERVATION OF NATURAL STONE**

Geotechnical characterization of the site and stability of a tailing dam in Ecuador
M. R. Ponce - Zambrano, D. P. Gordon, L. R. Alejano & I. Pérez - Rey

Unstable rock masses in the highway Durres-Prishtina
L. Shaha, T. Bozo & S. Allka

A calcarenite exposed to true fire conditions: a methodological proposal
V. Brotóns, R. Tomás & S. Ivorra

Probability evaluation of localized failure: deep excavation case study
D. Lydzba, A. Rozanski & M. Sobótka

Evaluation of the effectiveness of a new nanocconsolidant in granitic rocks
I. De Rosario, J. Feijoo, T. Rivas, M. J. Mosquera & F. Elhadad

Protective treatments against pyrite and pyrrhotite oxidation in roofing slates
J. Iglesias, J. Feijoo, I. Cañas, J. Taboada & T. Rivas

Protecting roofing slates against oxidation: Analysis of the chemical interaction between protective treatments and pyrite
J. Iglesias, J. Feijoo, J. Taboada, T. Rivas & M. Modino

Rock strength comparative analysis on rocky coasts
A. Pires, H.I. Chaminé, A. Gomes, A. Pérez-Alberti & F. Rocha

Revising of caverns axes in Azad pumped storage project
M. R. Shahverdiloo, M. Behnia, A. Anvari & M. A. Mollagh

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**13:45–15:15 LUNCH BREAK**

Exhibition area – Floor E

**15:30–16:20 PLENARY SESSION VI**

*Room: Auditorium – 2nd Floor Auditorium*

Chairman: Luís Lamas

Keynote Case histories of rock engineering projects in China
Xia Ting Feng

**16:20–16:45 PREMIUM SPONSOR PRESENTATION**

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- Presentation of the EUROCK 2014 Outstanding Paper Award for Young Scientists and Engineers to the award winner
  Frédéric Pellet, Vice-President of ISRM for EUROPE
- Presentation by the organizers of the ARMS 8 - The 2014 ISRM International Symposium - 8th Asian Rock Mechanics Symposium (Sapporo, Japan)
- Presentation by the organizers of EUROCK 2015 (Salzburg)
- Presentation by the organizers of the 13th Congress of the ISRM (Montreal, 10-13 May 2015)
- Closing Speech by Marta Iglesias Bueno, Member of the Provincial Government of Pontevedra
- Closing Speech by EUROCK 2014 Organizing Committee
  Leandro R. Alejano & Aurea Perucho
- Closing address by Prof. Frédéric Pellet, Vice-President of ISRM for EUROPE
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Underground slate mine & Las Médulas (Roman gold mining area)

08:00 Leaving Vigo
10:30 Visit of the underground mine: Pizarras Gallegas in Villamartín de Valdeorras
12:30 Visit of the transformation plant: Pizarras Gallegas in Villamartín de Valdeorras
13:30 Lunch at the restaurant Fernando III with mainland Galician specialities.
15:30 Visit of Las Médulas (old Roman Gold mining area)
18:00 Back to Vigo
21:00 Arrival in Vigo

TECHNICAL VISIT 2:
Venda Nova III underground reversible hydroelectric scheme, under construction, in Northern Portugal (160 km away from Vigo)

08:15 Leaving Vigo
10:30 Visit of the underground reversible hydroelectric scheme, under construction Venda Nova III
13:30 Lunch offered by EDP
16:00 Possible free time in the Portuguese town of Braga.
17:30 Back to Vigo
19:00 Arrival in Vigo

TECHNICAL VISIT 3:
Rail-way tunnel underground works near Verin (Ourense - 150 km)

08:30 Leaving Vigo
10:30 Visit of the underground tunnel.
14:00 Lunch
16:00 Free time in the Galician town of Ourense with thermal fountains.
17:00 Back to Vigo
18:00 Arrival in Vigo

* See more information about tickets and departure points at General Information
The Austrian Society for Geomechanics has the pleasure to invite you to the ISRM Regional Symposium EUROCK 2015 to be held in conjunction with the 64th Geomechanics Colloquy in Salzburg, the city where the International Society for Rock Mechanics (ISRM) was founded in 1962. The Geomechanics Colloquy in Salzburg since its initiation in 1951 has always been a perfect and distinguished meeting place for researchers and practitioners. The success of this concept not only shows in the continuous meetings over more than 60 years, but also in the attendance of regularly around 1000 participants.

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- Mass movements
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- Monitoring and safety management
- Determination of rock properties
- Rock mechanical aspects of nuclear waste repositories
- Micromechanics of rocks
- Modelling in rock and rock masses
- Mining rock mechanics
- Young researcher session

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- Rock mass characterization
- Design practices
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The Symposium will be held at the Salzburg Congress. Salzburg itself is famous for its unique scenery and atmosphere. For more information on the city visit: www.salzburg.info/en/

**Important Dates**
- Submission of abstracts: December 1st 2014
- Acceptance of abstracts: January 15th 2015
- Submission of full papers: March 15th 2015
- Early bird registration before: July 1st 2015
- Deadline for registration: September 1st 2015

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WELCOME RECEPTION - Tuesday, 27th May
20:15 CASTRELOS MANOR HOUSE
The welcome reception will take place at Castrelos Manor House. The buses to Castrelos Manor house will depart at 19:45 h. from the venue. There will be buses back to Vigo center at the end of the reception.

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21:00 HOTEL BAHÍA DE VIGO
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* Special meal: In case that you need special meal ask for the corresponding ticket at the registration desk.

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BAIXO MIÑO - Tuesday, 27th May
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TECHNICAL VISITS - Friday, 30th May
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