



**International Seminar on
Long Span Bridge Construction, Maintenance and Disaster
Resistance Techniques**

**23rd – 25th October 2014
Shanghai, China**



First Announcement

Organized in Cooperation by: PIARC Technical Committee 4.3 of 'Road Bridges'
CCCC Highway Consultants Co. Ltd
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Introduction

PIARC Technical Committee 4.3 of 'Road Bridges' and CCCC Highway Consultants Co. Ltd invite you to participate in a forthcoming seminar on Long Span Bridge Construction, Maintenance and Disaster Resistance Techniques. This seminar is undertaken by CCCC Highway Bridges National Engineering Research Centre and BRIDGE Magazine. This is a part of the PIARC Technical Committee 4.3 work program for 2012-2015.

Objectives

Technical exchange for Long Span Bridge Construction, Maintenance and Disaster Resistance Techniques.

Methodology

The seminar will be led in such a manner in order to optimize the time available for discussion of the themes, so as to generate dynamic and highly involved discussions among the participants.

Presentations made by participants followed by discussion and collective development of conclusions and recommendations.

Languages

The official Language of the seminar is Chinese and English, with translation between both languages.

Seminar Program

FIRST DAY	
Thursday, October 23rd, 2014	
Time	Activity
9:00 to 10:00	Opening Ceremony, Welcome Address
10:00 to 11:00	Keynote Address (From China)
11:00 to 11:20	Coffee Break
11:20 to 11:50	Keynote Address (From PIARC)
11:50 to 14:00	Lunch and Rest
14:00 to 15:40	Technical Session
15:40 to 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 to 17:40	Technical Session
18:30 to 20:30	Banquet hosted by CCCC Highway Consultants Co. Ltd
SECOND DAY	
Friday, October 24th, 2014	
8:30 to 10:10	Technical Session
10:10 to 10:30	Coffee Break

10:30 to 12:10	Technical Session
12:10 to 14:00	Lunch and Rest
14:00 to 16:00	Technical Session
Third Day	Saturday, October 25 th , 2014: Technical Tour

Call for Papers

The organizing committee is now seeking papers addressing the seminar's themes.

- 1) As a first step, potential speakers should submit an abstract (Maximum 400 words) outlining the subject and the conclusions in one of the official languages.
- 2) After your abstract is selected, you will be notified by the seminar contact persons.
- 3) You will be required to make a 20-minute presentation to the seminar and to submit a full paper (4 - 10 pages) in English or Chinese.

The timetable for submission of papers is as follows:

- Submission of Abstract: July 10th, 2014
- Notification of Acceptance of Abstract: August 10th, 2014
- Submission of Full Paper: August 30th, 2014

Guidelines for Abstracts, Full Papers, and Presentation

1) Abstract

Abstracts should be submitted according to the following requirements:

- Maximum 400 words
- Submitted in English or Chinese
- In electronic format
- Deadline for submission of Abstract: July 10th, 2014

2) Full paper

Full papers should be prepared and submitted by the authors according to the following requirements:

- The length of the printed papers should be between 4 pages and 10 pages (A4: 8.27" x 11.69", 210mm x 297mm).
- Full papers must be written in English or Chinese.
- Full papers containing illustrations in black and white are preferable.
- More details of the full paper as well as the acceptance of the abstract will be notified on August 10th, 2014.

- Deadline for submission of Full paper: August 30th, 2014

3) Presentation

Presentation should be prepared by the authors according to the following requirements:

- Presentation material should be prepared in Power Point Presentation file.
- Presentation material must be written in English or Chinese.

Abstracts and full papers should be submitted to the Seminar Contact persons listed at the end of this announcement.

Technical Visit

Technical visit including Sutong Bridge, Chongqi Bridge and Shanghai Yangtze River Tunnel-Bridge.

Registration Fee

- Participants from low-income and low-middle-income countries: USD200
- Participants from upper-middle-income and high-income countries: USD450
- Accompanying persons: USD150

PIARC Special Fund

The PIARC Special Fund can cover up to 100% of travel expenses or up to 100% of accommodation expenses of participants from developing countries (lower middle income and low income countries). It can cover the expenses of one participant per PIARC member country, subject to the agreement of the First Delegate. Requests for Special Fund should be made by the First Delegate to PIARC Secretary General, e-mail: info@piarc.org

The rules relating to the use of the Special Fund are available on the PIARC web site: www.piarc.org, in section 12 of the Blue Guide.

Registration Due Date

The registration form should be completed and forwarded to the seminar contact persons before 15th September 2014.

Registration forms will be included in the second announcement.

Accommodation

Lodging and travel information will be provided in the second announcement

Introduction of China and Shanghai

China is situated in eastern Asia, bounded by the Pacific in the east. The third largest country in the world, next to Canada and Russia, it has an area of 9.6 million square kilometers, or one-fifteenth of the world's landmass.

China has one of the world's oldest civilizations and has the oldest continuous civilization. It has archaeological evidence dating back over 5,000 years. It also has one of the world's oldest written language systems, and is viewed as the source of many major inventions.

Shanghai is situated on the banks of the Yangtze River Delta in Eastern China. It is the largest city in China and the eighth largest city in the world. Shanghai has a population of 18.7 million, including a transient population of 2 million.

Widely regarded as the citadel of China's modern economy, the city also serves as one of the most important cultural, commercial, financial, industrial and communications centers of China. Shanghai also has one of the world's busiest ports, and has become the largest cargo port in the world.

Program for Accompanying Persons

Program for accompanying persons is provided.

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