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Commemoration Lecture by Dr. Za Chieh Moh: 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN GEOTECHNICAL SOCIETY

Preamble

The commemoration lecture by Dr. Za Chieh Moh covered the period of Southeast Asian Geotechnical Society (SEAGS) from inception to date and highlighted the vision Dr. Moh had in 1967, the mission in subsequent period and key achievements. SEAGS was formed on 28 April 1967 in Bangkok as Southeast Asian Society of Soil Engineering (SEASSE). The name SEAGS was adapted in February 1982 to cover the disciplines covered as Soil Engineering, Engineering Geology and Rock Mechanics under the broad umbrella Geotechnical Engineering. The objectives of SEAGS are promotion of cooperation among engineers, geologists and other scientists in Southeast Asia for the advancement of knowledge in geotechnical engineering. These objectives are to be achieved through organization of local meetings, conferences, seminars symposia etc. in member countries, publish a journal named Geotechnical Engineering and to co-operate with international societies ISSMGE, IAEG, ISRM etc.

Sponsorship and Secretariat of SEAGS

The Asian Institute of Technology (earlier the SEATO Graduate School of Engineering 1967-1972).

Table 4: President - Secretary Generals since 1967: The Presidents were rotated among SEAGS Member countries

| Period | President | Secretary General |
|------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 1967 -1969 | Za Chieh Moh (AIT, Taiwan) | Robert Mackey 1967-1970 |
| 1969-1973 | Za Chieh Moh (AIT, Taiwan) | John D Nelson 1970-1973 |
| 1973-1975 | Chin Fung Kee (Malaysia) | A.S. Balasubramaniam (Bala) 1973 -2001 |
| 1975-1977 | Peter Lumb (Hong Kong) | |
| 1977-1980 | Tan Swan Beng (Singapore) | |
| 1980-1983 | E W Brand (AIT, UK) | |
| 1983-1985 | Ting Wen Hui (Malaysia) | |
| 1985-1987 | A.S. Balasubramaniam (Bala) | |
| 1987-1990 | Seng Lip Lee (Singapore) | |
| 1990-1993 | Ou Chin Der (Taiwan) | |
| 1993-1996 | Ooi Teik Aun (Malaysia) | |
| 1996-1998 | Surachat Sambhandharaksa | |
| 1998-2001 | John C Li (Taiwan) | |
| 2001-2007 | Kwet Yew Yong (Malaysia) | DT Bergado 2001-2013 |
| 2007-2010 | Chung Tien Chin | |
| 2010-2013 | Ooi Teik Aun | |

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|-----------|-------------------|--|
| 2013-2016 | Noppadol Phienwej | Noppadol Phienwej |
| 2016-2019 | Noppadol Phienwej | Noppadol Phienwej up to 2017: then Geoff Chao |



Photo 1: Dr. Noppadol Phienwej: SEAGS President since 2016

The SEAGCs organized by SEAGS are listed in Table 5

Table 5: SEAGS Conferences a partial list: Rotated among SEAGS member countries

| Number | Location | Date | Keynote, Guest Lecturers etc. |
|--------|--------------|---------|--|
| 1 | Bangkok | 04/1967 | T. W. LAMBE |
| 2 | Singapore | 06/1970 | Ralph B Peck |
| 3 | Hong Kong | 11/1972 | Victor de Mello |
| 4 | Kuala Lumpur | 04/1975 | T. W. Lambe |
| 5 | Bangkok | 07/1977 | Chin Fung Kee N. R. Morgenstern Arthur D Penman Ian Donald Many in Soft Clay Symposium: Harry G. Poulos et. al |
| 6 | Taipei | 05/1980 | L. Zeevart Evert Hoek |
| 7 | Hong Kong | 11/1982 | N. Janbu, D. J. Varnes, B. B. Broms |
| 8 | Kuala Lumpur | 03/1985 | Victor de Mello |
| 9 | Bangkok | 12/1987 | Chin. Fung Kee T. W. Lambe N. R. Morgenstern Alan Muirwood |
| 10 | Taipei | 04/1990 | A.S. Balasubramaniam Za Chieh Moh Chan Sin Fatt |
| 11 | Singapore | 05/1993 | D. G. Fredlund T. Adachi T. Kimura |

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|----|--------------|---------|--|
| 12 | Kuala Lumpur | 05/1996 | J. B. Burland E. W. Brand |
| 13 | Taipei | 11/1998 | R. B. Peck T. W. Lambe M. B. Jamiolkowsky Kenji Ishihara |
| 14 | Hong Kong | 12/2001 | R.E. Goodman, H.G. Poulos, J.B. Burland, J.R. Standing, F.M. Jardine, C.D. Ou |
| 15 | Bangkok | 12/2004 | H.G. Poulos, W.H. Ting, M. Jamiolkowski, S. Lacasse, T. Adachi |
| 16 | Kuala Lumpur | 05/2007 | Dr. Z.C. Moh & R. Hwang, Prof. K.Y. Yong & S.L. Lee and 8 others |
| 17 | Taipei | 05/2010 | M.B. Jamiolkowski, A.S. Balasubramaniam, J.L. Briaud |
| 18 | Singapore | 05/2013 | B. Simpson and 5 others |
| 19 | Kuala Lumpur | 05/2016 | Z.C. Moh, K. Ishihara, J. Chu, H.G. Poulos |

Photo 2: First SEAGC Bangkok 1967



ASIAN REGIONAL CONFERENCES

Five Asian Regional Conferences were arranged in SEAGS Member countries; they are all very successful. The sixth one will be in Taipei in 2019: Details are in Table 6

Table 6: Asian Regional Conferences

| Number | Year | Location |
|------------------|------|-----------|
| 4 th | 1971 | Bangkok |
| 6 th | 1979 | Singapore |
| 9 th | 1991 | Bangkok |
| 12 th | 2003 | Singapore |
| 14 th | 2011 | Hong Kong |
| 16 th | 2019 | Taipei |

Photo 3: 4th ARC in Bangkok



ISSMGE-ASIAN YOUNG GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERS CONFERENCE

Four Young Geotechnical Conferences (YGEC) were organized by SEAGS: Details in Table 7

Table 7: YGEC organized by SEAGS

| Number | Year | Location |
|-----------------|------|-----------|
| 1st | 1991 | Bangkok |
| 2nd | 1994 | Singapore |
| 3 rd | 1997 | Singapore |
| 4th | 2004 | Bangkok |

SPECIALTY SESSIONS AT ICSMFE

Specialty Session on Engineering Properties of Lateritic Soils - 1969, 7th ICSMGE Conference, Mexico City.

Specialty Session on Geotechnical Engineering and Environmental Control - 1977, 9th ICSMGE Conference - Tokyo.

OFFICERS IN ISSMGE, IAEG AND ISRM

ISSMGE

1973-1977: Dr. Za-Chieh Moh

1981-1985: Prof. Chin Fung Kee

1994-1997: Prof. A.S. Balasubramaniam

IAEG

1978-1982: Prof. A.S. Balasubramaniam

ISRM

1995-1999: Dr. Chin-Der Ou

Board Members of ISSMGE

1989-1993: Dr. Za-Chieh Moh

2013-2017: Prof. Charles Ng

From 1965 to 2017, there are 13 Presidents of the ISSMGE.

Ten of them have graced our conferences and delivered keynote lectures.

Uniqueness

First (at that time) regional technical conference in the host country, including:

1st Conference in Bangkok, 1967

2nd Conference in Singapore, 1972

3rd Conference in Hong Kong, 1975

4th Conference in Kuala Lumpur, 1977

6th Conference in Taipei, 1980

COMMENTS BY PROF. H.G. POULOS IN 2004 at the 15th SEAGC ON SEAGCs

Excellent technical content

A focus on regional geotechnical problems

The participation of influential persons in the Opening Ceremony

A friendly and cooperative atmosphere

Excellent social events

Photo: Participants: 2nd SEAGC Singapore



Presence of Influential People

HRH Princess Sirindhorn: 9th SEAGC Bangkok





HE Pote Sarasin: 4th ARC Bangkok



HE Dr. Y. S. Sun: 6th SEAGC TAIPEI



HE CC WANG: 6th SEAGC Taipei



HE Thanat Khoman: 9th ARC Bangkok



Social Function: SEAGC Taipei 2010

Journal of Geotechnical Engineering

The Editors are listed in Table 8

Table 8: Partial List of Editors

| Period | Editors |
|-----------------|--|
| 1970-1973 | E W Brand |
| 1974-1976 | E W Brand & A S Balasubramaniam |
| 1977-1978 | E W Brand V K Campbell |
| 1978-1980 | V K Campbell |
| 1980-1985 | J S Younger |
| 1986-1987 | D R Greenway |
| 1988-1989 | P G D Whiteside |
| 1990-1995 | C A M Franks |
| 1996-2001 | D T Bergado |
| 2001-2010 | Noppadol Phienwej |
| 2010 to present | T A Ooi, San Shyan Lin, A.S. Balasubramaniam & Guest Editors |

THE ASSOCIATION OF GEOTECHNICAL SOCIETIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA (AGSSEA): 2007- todate

Members and Officers of AGSSEA

| Term of Office | Member Societies | Chairman | Hon Secretary General | Hon Treasurer General |
|----------------|---|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 2007-2010 | SEAGS, VSSMGE, HKGS | Ooi Teik Aun | Kenny Yee | Albert Ho |
| 2010-2013 | SEAGS, VSSMGE, HKGS, GeoSS, TGS | Kwet Yew Yong | Kenny Yee | Charles Ng |
| 2013-2016 | SEAGS, VSSMGE, HKGS, GeoSS, TGS, CTGS, HATTI, MGS | Kwet Yew Yong | Kenny Yee | Chung Tien Chin |
| 2016-2019 | SEAGS, VSSMGE, HKGS, GeoSS, TGS, CTGS, HATTI, MGS | San Shyan Lin | Kenny Yee | Kenny Yee |

Activities of AGSSEA

Conduct short courses

Organized Public lectures

Conduct touring lectures and short courses to member countries and potential member countries included: Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar (Prof. Pinto, Charles Ng, Bergado and Ooi)

Joined other working groups

Joined SEAGS for the publication of the Journal of SEAGS-AGSSEA since 2010

Photo: AGSSEA Inaugural Meeting Singapore



Photo: AGSSEA Council Meeting: KL 2016



AGSSEA Past-Chairmen; current Chairman



Ooi Teik Aun



Kwet Yew Yong



San Shyan Lin

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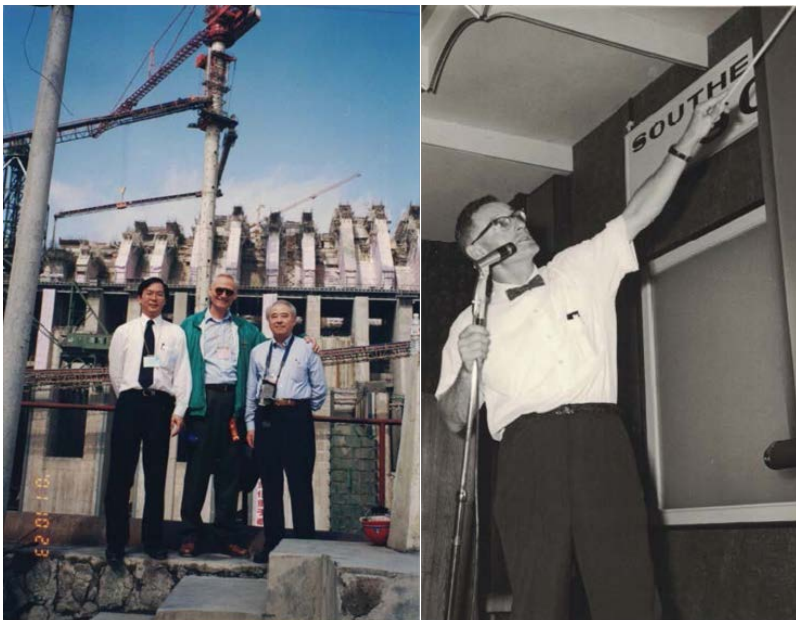
Professor Milton E. Bender -Dean, SEATO Graduate School of Engineering; President of AIT

All subsequent and current Presidents of AIT

Dr. M. E. Bender



Professor T. William Lambe, Massachusetts Institute of technology



Professor Kevin Nash Secretary – General, ISSMFE



Past and Current Presidents of the ISSMFE and ISSMGE

Professor R.B. Peck Professor M.B. Jamiolkowski Professor M. Fukuoka Professor
Seco e Pinto Professor K. Ishihara

Professor H.G. Poulos



R B Peck



M Jamiolkowsky



Masami Fukuoka



Kenji Ishihara



Seco E Pinto



Harry G Poulos



N R Morgenstern

Formation Stage of the SEAGS

Professor Chin Fung Kee (Malaysia) Professor Sean Mackey (Hong Kong) Dr. Tan Swan Beng (Singapore) Professor Chai Muktabhant (Thailand) Dr. Sirilak Chandrangsu (Thailand) Professor Nibon Rananand (Thailand) Mr. Cheng Yu (Taiwan, ROC), Dr. Ting Wen Hui (Malaysia), Prof. S.L. Lee (Thailand and Singapore) Dr. C.D. Ou (Taiwan, ROC)



All colleagues at AIT, in particular Professor E.W. Brand, Professor John Nelson, Professor A.S. Balasubramaniam



Moh, Brand Nelson



Moh Brand Balasubramaniam