

## **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE FOR JOHN COWLAND**

John Cowland is an Independent Geotechnical and Geosynthetics Engineering Consultant, based in Hong Kong, China, with 40 years of experience. John has provided advice to more than 60 government and private sector clients throughout the Asia Pacific region on geotechnical, environmental and geosynthetic projects; including solid waste landfills, dams, tunnels, mines, deep excavations, slopes, soft ground, coastal reclamations, liquid storage and disposal of contaminated soil. He has advised on the use of geosynthetics in all these areas, often in an innovative manner, since 1986. John has also provided advice on project management for environmental, tunnelling and water supply projects, for projects up to US\$ 10 billion in value.

John is a Member of the Environmental Geotechnics Committee TC 215 of the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (ISSMGE) and he is the Chairman of the Association of Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Specialists Hong Kong (AGS HK). He was a Council Member of the International Geosynthetics Society (IGS) from 2000 to 2014. He has published 50 technical papers on geosynthetics and geotechnical engineering.

