

## **Robert Liang, Ph.D., P.E., F. ASCE**

Dr. Robert Liang holds a title of University Distinguished Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering at the University of Akron. He also serves as the Director for the Center for Infrastructure Materials and Rehabilitation. Since receiving his Ph.D. in 1985 from the University of California in Berkeley, Dr. Liang has been with the University of Akron. From 1994 to 2000, he served as Civil Engineering Department Chair. Dr. Liang has conducted research in areas such as geotechnical engineering, pavement engineering, and infrastructure materials and rehabilitation technologies. His research has resulted in more than 300 journal and conference papers, with practical impacts on design and construction practices. Dr. Liang is active in ASCE (American Society of Civil Engineers), TRB (Transportation Research Board), and DFI (Deep Foundation Institute) committee works. He serves as associate editor for the ASCE's Journal of Engineering Mechanics and Journal of Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering. Currently, he is on the editorial board for several international journals, such as Georisk, and Journal of GeoEngineering. Dr. Liang received Wendell R. Ladue award from ASCE Akron-Canton Section for his outstanding contributions to the profession. He also received Louis Hill award from College of Engineering in recognition of his exemplary achievements in both research and teaching. He received outstanding service award from the Great Lakes Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering Organization for his service as the president of the organization. In recognition of his contributions to civil engineering, Dr. Liang was elected to Fellow of ASCE in 2009.