

Singapore Geotechnical Society

The Geotechnical Society of Singapore (GeoSS) was inaugurated on 29 January 2008. The mission of GeoSS is to advance and promote geotechnical engineering in Singapore. The objectives of the society are:

1. To be recognised as the key source of geotechnical engineering information and knowledge for the greater engineering community, associated key stakeholders and the general public.
2. To actively organise value-added activities for members for professional development and career advancement.
3. To develop collaborative relationship with other local / regional/ international organisation (education, practice and research) to advance the standing, prestige and value of the profession.

At present, GeoSS has over 311 individual members and 20 corporate members. It is a member society of the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (ISSMGE) and the Association of Geotechnical Societies in Southeast Asia (AGSSEA). Local and international experts are invited to share their technical experiences at our GeoSS Evening Seminar, held approximately on a bi-monthly basis. A thematic international conference is organised every 2 years in conjunction with the election of the next GeoSS committee.

GeoSS has successfully organised the International Symposium on Ground Improvement Technologies and Case Histories (IS09) in 2009, International Symposium on Advances in Ground Technology and Geo-Information (IS-AGTG) in 2012, International Symposium on Advances in Foundation Engineering 2013 (ISAF2013) and will be organising the International Conference on Soft Ground Engineering (ICSGE2015) on 3-4 Dec 2015, Singapore.

GeoSS conducted dialogues and collaborated with local Building Control Authority to improve the standard of geotechnical engineering practices and jointly conducted oversea industry learning trips for practising engineers to Hong Kong in 2012; Taiwan in 2013; Malaysia, London and Switzerland in 2014.

To encourage the young engineers to join the society and give them more platform to express their view and talents, the Student and Young Geotechnical Engineers (SYGEOSS) was formed in 2012. The protem committee was formed on 25 July 2012 and a formal election was conducted in 2014. The SYGeoSS organised the 1st Technical Paper Competition in 2012 and the 2nd in 2013. SYGeoSS representatives participated in 7AYGEC, Japan in 2012 and iYGEC2013, Paris in 2013.

To recognise excellence in geotechnical engineering practice, GeoSS presented outstanding members with prestigious Outstanding Geotechnical Engineer Award (2012, 2014) and Outstanding Geotechnical Entrepreneur Award (2012) to outstanding members. The details of the recipients are posted in GeoSS webpage: <http://www.geoss.sg>.