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65th Anniversary of the State Research Institute of Building Constructions, Ukraine

The State Research Institute of Building Constructions (NIISK) was established on the 26th November, 1943 in the USSR. The main purpose of the Institute at that time was the immediate reconstruction of structures that had been destroyed during the Second World War.

Today, NIISK (with more than 500 specialists) is the main Research Institute for Construction in the Ukraine, establishing technical policy relating to the use of concrete and reinforced concrete, and creating a normative base for the calculations and design of concrete, reinforced concrete, stone, timber and other structures.

As established in Ukrainian legislation, NIISK is the lead organization in the development of:



- Geotechnical questions of Construction;
- Seismic construction;
- Standardization and Normalization in Construction;
- Building structures in both normal and complex geotechnical environments;
- Construction physics;
- Methods and means for research, quality control and testing of construction products and materials;
- Durability and safety (including fire safety) for buildings and structures;
- Scientific-research surveys of construction with high level of responsibility and technical competence;
- Scientific survey of construction activity for atomic energy, including the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant "Shelter";
- Proving of conformity for construction, including interaction with UEAtc;
- Economics of building structures and pricing of scientific activity in construction;
- Training of highly qualified scientists by means of post-graduate courses.

In 2002, the "Ukrainian Society for Soil Mechanics, Geotechnical and Foundation Engineering" was established within the NIISK, and that society has been a full member of ISSMGE since 2003. We warmly congratulate the NIISK on this memorable anniversary, and wish it every success in its future contributions in the field of Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering.

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