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**Dear Presidents and Secretaries,**

**Dear Colleagues,**

The *Chinese Institution of Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering - China Civil Engineering Society* (CISMGE - CCES) has decided to host the 19<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (19<sup>th</sup> ICSMGE) in the city of Shanghai, China, on September 2017. We are now taking the privilege to submit a detailed proposal as the attachment of this letter to ISSMGE for hosting the 19<sup>th</sup> ICSMGE and would like to thank everyone for the support from your member society.

Bringing the ICSMGE to China will certainly serve to make history. It can move the ISSMGE and China toward an embrace of friendship through communication that will benefit us all. China has a long history in the art of building and civil engineering. It is experiencing the greatest development in its history, especially in geotechnical scope. For example, CISMGE have 205 ISSMGE members in 2009, 376 members in 2010 and 481 members in 2011. The number is still being updated. Hosting the conference means exerting the most significant influence on the biggest geotechnical group in terms of ISSMGE spirit, vision and value. It is a great chance both China and ISSMGE cannot give up.

ICSMGE is the supreme level conference in the field of soil mechanics and geotechnical engineering in the world. However, it has never landed in China. The Chinese geotechnical professionals are keen to taking the 19<sup>th</sup> ICSMGE as an ever-great opportunity to learn from the colleagues from all over the world and to serve them with creativity and devotion. A large number of Chinese young professionals are looking forward to taking part in this great event, making new friends and sharing experiences.

During the past decade, CISMGE have been actively involved in ample international exchanges and collaborations. Many important international conferences on geotechnical engineering have been successfully held in China, such as the 10th International Symposium on Landslides and Engineered Slopes, the 6th International Symposium on Geotechnical Aspects of Underground Construction in Soft Ground (IS-Shanghai 2008), the 2nd International Conference On Geotechnical Engineering for Disaster Mitigation and Rehabilitation (GEDMAR08), the International Symposium on Geomechanics and Geotechnics: From Micro to Macro (IS-Shanghai 2010) and GeoShanghai 2010. Shanghai is an energetic and prosperous city. It is a fantastic destination with the perfect combination of modern and traditional features. Please find the detailed description in the attached proposal.

CISMGE will guarantee to organize this conference and offer participants an exciting, enjoyable and pleasant stay in Shanghai. We will abide by all the regulations and rules specified by the ISSMGE if CISMGE succeeds in this campaign.

We are highly grateful to you for your kind and proactive support to our proposal.

If you have any question we will be happy to answer.

We will appreciate to receive from you an e-mail or letter of support. Many thanks

Very sincerely yours,



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