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## Press Release

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### **The 2002 Outstanding Paper Award to Prof. Stefano Sorace and Dr Gloria Terenzi, Italy**

On the occasion of the Annual Meetings IABSE in Antwerp, Dr Manabu Ito, President of IABSE, will present, the 2002 IABSE Outstanding Paper Award to Prof. S. Sorace and to Dr G. Terenzi for their article:

#### **"Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Historical Churches"**

published in *Structural Engineering International*, November 2002

The article deals with a methodology for evaluating the seismic response capacities of historical churches. Specially calibrated performance objectives, including the issue of 'cultural value safety', and related acceptance criteria are formulated to this aim.

The Outstanding Paper Award is presented each year by the International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering in recognition of one article published in "*Structural Engineering International*", thus encouraging and rewarding contributions of the highest quality.

The Award Presentation will take place during the Opening of the IABSE Symposium 'Structures for High-Speed Railway Transportation', Antwerp, Belgium on August 27, 2003.

The International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering (IABSE) comprises more than 4'200 members in 100 countries. Founded in 1929, IABSE deals with all aspects of planning, design, execution, maintenance and repair of civil engineering structures. To fulfil its mission, IABSE organises conferences and publishes a quarterly journal, *Structural Engineering International*, as well as books and reports.

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