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## Press Release

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### 'Role of Structural Engineers Towards Reduction of Poverty' IABSE Conference, New Delhi, India, February 19-22, 2005

The theme of the conference 'Role of Structural Engineers towards Reduction of Poverty' (New Delhi, India, February 19-22, 2005) is all embracing and aims to highlight the role of structural engineering in promoting the welfare of mankind. The conference will highlight the role of the structural engineer in disaster prevention and mitigation, as a major field of concern through the construction of robust habitats against natural and man-induced calamities, and the management of situations in the immediate aftermath of devastating events.

The technical programme will include presentations and discussions on: Reduction of Poverty and a Holistic Approach / Sharing of Experiences in Developing Nations / a session organised by the Young Engineers / a Round Table Discussion, chaired by the President of IABSE. Sessions will address: Habitat and Buildings / Transportation Structures / Mitigation of Disasters / Irrigation, Flood Control and Energy Structures / Water Supply and Public Sanitation.

To receive the **Final Invitation** and the Registration Form is available at:

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The International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering (IABSE) comprises 4'200 members in over 100 countries. Founded in 1929, IABSE deals with all aspects of planning, design, construction, maintenance and repair of civil engineering structures. To fulfill its mission, IABSE organises conferences and publishes a quarterly journal, *Structural Engineering International*, as well as books and reports. The Association has a number of technical groups and presents awards in recognition of outstanding contributions in the domain of structural engineering.

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