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Prof. Baohua Qin, China, Recipient of the 2005 IABSE Prize

Professor Baohua Qin received the 2005 IABSE Prize "in recognition of his innovative developments of construction methods in major suspension bridges, cable-stayed bridges and steel arch bridges". The Award Presentation was made by Prof. Hirt, President of IABSE during the Opening of the IABSE Symposium 'Structures and Extreme Events', Lisbon, Portugal, on September 14, 2005.

The IABSE Prize is presented annually to an IABSE Member of 40 years of age or younger, for an outstanding contribution to structural engineering.

Prof. Baohua Qin is a general manager of the Shanghai Foundation Engineering Company, which is mainly engaged with construction technology of long-span cable-stayed bridges, suspension and arch bridges – and applying research results to practical construction projects. He has worked as a project manager in the superstructure erection projects of the: Jiangyin Yangtze River Highway Bridge, a suspension bridge with a main span of 605m; the Qinzhou Bridge, Fuzhou, cable-stayed, with a main span also of 605m and the Lu Pu Bridge, a steel arch bridge with a main span of 550m. Prof. Qin is a professor at Tongji University. He is a commission member of the Bridge and Structure Engineering Branch of the 'China Civil Engineering Society'. He was selected as one of the Shanghai Science and Technology Elites and Outstanding Youth in 2004.

The International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering (IABSE) comprises 4'000 members in 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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