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Outstanding Young Engineers' Contributions Awards IABSE Symposium Weimar 2007

The IABSE Symposium 'Improving Infrastructure Worldwide – Bringing People Closer' took place in Weimar, Germany, from September 19-21, 2007. The Symposium attracted about 580 participants and 100 accompanying persons from around the world.

Young Engineers under 35 of years participated in the yearly outstanding contribution competition. Award Jury Chair Fathy Saad, Egypt, conferred a diploma and a prize of 2000 EUR each to Mr João Ramôa Correia, Portugal and to Benjamin Braun, Germany. The prizes were sponsored by IABSE and the German Group of IABSE. These outstanding contributions are included in the Symposium Report published by IABSE:

- Lifetime Performance of GFRP Pultruded Profiles for Structural Applications
João Ramôa Correia, Portugal
- A Survey on Patch Loading Models for Bridge Launching
Benjamin Braun, Germany

The Symposium was highlighted by 7 Keynote Lectures and there were 30 Parallel Sessions addressing following topics: Infrastructure as a Unifying Concept; Traffic Structures – Built for a Long and Efficient Life; Important Design Considerations – Design for Durability and Sustainability; Infrastructure as a Unifying Concept; Important Design Considerations – Design Movements; Check Engineering and Monitoring – an International Review on Quality Control Systems. All contributions of the Symposium Report have been collected in the Symposium Report (short versions) and on a CD (full versions). They can be ordered at: www.iabse.org/publications/orderform/index.php

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 fulfil 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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