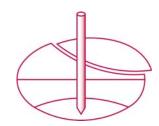
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Dear Member Societies,

On behalf of the ISSMGE, we are pleased to invite you and your members to be part of the 2016 Geotechnical Business Directory that is currently in preparation. The directory is expected to include 5500+ individuals and 400+ companies from 136+ countries. The directory is powered by GeoWorld the professional networking platform for geotechnical engineers that was co-developed by Geoengineer.org and the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (ISSMGE). The online platform of the directory is available here: http://www.mygeoworld.info/business-directory/ where you can also access last year's e-book and the printed version.

The business directory allows the industry to become better interconnected in a global economy and promote local, national and international interactions and collaborations. Anyone visiting the directory is able to search and find geo-professionals and companies with specific technical expertise anywhere in the world. The 2016 Geotechnical Business Directory is expected to be launched in October online, as an e-book and in print. With this letter we wish to invite you to participate in the Business Directory. Here is how:

To be part of the 2016 directory, simply invite your members (individuals or companies) to create an account on GeoWorld until September 15th 2016. Unless they decide to opt-out, they will be included in the business directory. Inclusion in the directory is free. Each individual can create a professional profile, include technical biographical information, such as field of practice, technical expertise, as well as their location. The GeoWorld profile also supports uploading also photos, videos and other data. An individual membership drive media kit is available here: http://www.mygeoworld.info/2016-business-directory/#/cover

We are very happy to invite your members to participate in this Business Directory. To register, just visit: <u>http://www.mygeoworld.info</u>. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us. Also, feel free to contact Dimitrios Zekkos (<u>zekkos@geoengineer.org</u>), Chair of the Innovation and Development Committee, if you want any assistance in inviting your members to GeoWorld or any other support.

On behalf of the ISSMGE,

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