

Asia Region HTC Activity Update Report

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Vision and desired end point

Collaboration among Member Societies

leading to

A stronger ISSMGE brand in Asia

Objectives

In Asia region

1. Increase in communication within Member Societies
2. Increase in communication with non Member Societies

Strategy

- To hold HTC sessions in a number of Member Societies, and regional events, and use these events to build a collective understanding of ISSMGE in the Asia region, and to act to strengthen the ISSMGE brand in Asia

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Geo Shanghai 2024 conference – HTC session

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Work completed and reporting

1. General

The HTC session held in Astana (17th ARC), included presentations on the development of HTC in their respective countries by representatives from China, Chinese Taipei, India, Iraq, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand/ SEAGS, Singapore, South Korea, and Uzbekistan

2. Facilitating submissions from Member Societies

3. Reaching out to other countries (non MSs)

4. Publications

- ISSMGE Bulletin article in Vol 17, Issue 1, Feb 2023

Challenges

- i. The Asian region has significant geographical size, population and diversity
- ii. The ISSMGE and the role it plays in the advancement of geotechnical engineering may not be well communicated or understood across the region
- iii. The concept of HTC and the role it can play in bringing about stronger collaboration among Member Societies may also not be well communicated or understood

Time line

- 2023 – HTC session at the 17th ARC, Astana, Kazakhstan
- 2024 – HTC session at GeoShanghai 2024, Shanghai, China
- 2024 - possible HTC session at the 10th Asian Young Geotechnical Engineering Conference, Jakarta, Indonesia
- 2025 – possible HTC session at Geo Tech Asia, India

Supporting Discoverers

- i. Working with YMPG team
- ii. Young Engineers conferences
 - 2024 - possible HTC session at the 10th Asian Young Geotechnical Engineering Conference, Jakarta, Indonesia
- iii. Social Media

Next Steps

- i. Formalise a Asia HTC team
- ii. Start regular and scheduled regional team meetings
- iii. Identify potential events hosted by Member Societies and regional events to hold further HTC sessions, and act to hold these sessions
- iv. Encourage increase in Discoverer numbers in the region

How you can get involved

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