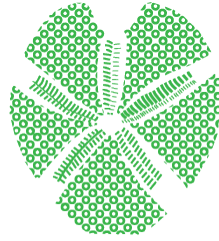


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Welcome to the sixth newsletter of the Engineering in Chalk 2018 Conference. In this issue, we remind authors of the submission deadlines, and give an update on conference sponsorship and the Technical Exhibition.

The Chalk 2018 Conference Organising Committee

Only three weeks to paper submission deadline!

There are only **three weeks** to go to the deadline for paper submission.

All corresponding authors whose abstracts have been accepted for Chalk 2018 have been notified, inviting them to submit a paper or poster. Paper submission for Chalk 2018 is open on the conference website, for both papers and poster submissions. All submissions will be peer reviewed at each step including the first draft and final paper submissions.

Papers will only be accepted for the conference once any review comments have been adequately addressed. At least one author from each accepted final paper must register for the conference prior to publication.

Submissions will close on 30 November 2017; all papers and poster must be submitted by that date.

Update on conference sponsors and exhibitors

Sponsorship will play an important part in helping deliver this internationally significant conference, and will showcase relevant industry experience and capability. The opportunities for sponsorship are already generating significant interest from across industry. The conference will also include a Technical Exhibition in the Queens Tower Room at Imperial College.

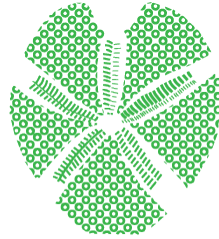
Many of our sponsorship packages have already been taken up, and we hope to announce our prestigious Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsors imminently. In the meantime, we are pleased to confirm our exhibitors and sponsors include:

Bachy Soletanche, BAM Ritchies, Fugro, Geoterra, Huesker, In-Situ Site Investigations, Peter Brett Associates, Socotec, and WJ Groundwater.

The sponsorship packages and exhibition places are being taken up quickly and any interested organisations are encouraged to contact the Publicity Chair, Patrick Cox via sponsorship@chalk2018.org.

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17 –18 September 2018, London

The Conference

The British Geotechnical Association (BGA) and the Engineering Group of the Geological Society (EGGS) are hosting a major international conference on Engineering in Chalk that will be held in at Imperial College, London on 17 and 18 September 2018.

Chalk underlies large parts of the UK and north-western Europe, and presents a diverse range of geotechnical challenges, that can affect building foundations, road and rail infrastructure, tunnels and other engineering projects. Over the past decades there has been considerable interest in characterising and understanding the engineering properties and behaviour of chalk. The last major conference on chalk was held almost 30 years ago in 1989 in Brighton. It is time to bring together the knowledge and experience gained in the last three decades, and this conference presents a great opportunity to bring together research and case histories and to provide an up to date perspective on engineering in chalk.

In addition to conference papers, there will be a series of authoritative keynote lectures on important aspects of engineering in chalk. There will also be a technical exhibition.

Conference Organising Committee:

Chairman:	Dr Martin Preene (Chairman of the BGA)
Organising Secretary:	Dr James Lawrence (Imperial College)
Assistant Organising Secretary:	Roisin Buckley (Imperial College)
Treasurer:	Alex Carbray (independent consultant)
Publicity Chair:	Patrick Cox (AECOM)
Programme Chair:	Dr Gareth Swift (University of Portsmouth)
EGGS Representative:	Dr Ursula Lawrence (Capita)

Conference Topics

The conference will cover aspects of geotechnical engineering and engineering geology in chalk, under the following general topics:

- Case histories of construction and engineering
- Earthworks in Chalk
- Foundations and piling in Chalk
- Future engineering issues in Chalk
- Geological hazards in Chalk
- Offshore engineering in Chalk
- Site investigation/characterization in Chalk
- Testing in Chalk – in situ and laboratory
- Tunnelling in Chalk
- Water and the environment

Conference website: www.Chalk2018.org