

Organising Committee

The organising committee is formed of local Dutch and Belgian experts of IABSE. Chairman is Mr. Dik-Gert Mans, chairman of the Dutch Group of IABSE and the co-chair is Mr. Dirk Bourlon on behalf of the Belgian Group of IABSE. The secretary is Mr. Dick Staelhorst.



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Rotterdam 'The Gateway to Europe', is the largest harbour in Europe and is the linking pin in the European economic community. The city and its surroundings is known through the centuries for the international outlook to the world. It cherishes a long tradition of unrestricted exchange of ideas. Recent developments show the ambitious image of the city. It offers an international atmosphere.

Transport

Rotterdam is directly connected to the international highspeed trainnetwork with connections to Amsterdam, Brussels, Paris and Frankfurt and their airports. The modern airport of Amsterdam Schiphol offers direct connections to more than 250 cities in more than 100 countries by more than 100 airlines.



Venue De Doelen

De Doelen is located in Rotterdam city centre and is 500 m from Rotterdam Central Station.

De Doelen Congress Centre (the Willem Burger Complex) opened less than ten years ago and was designed to accommodate conferences and corporate events. It is characterised by its transparent, spacious and business-like design.

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ROTTERDAM MAY 6-8, 2013

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Preface

The Dutch and Belgian IABSE groups organise May 6-8, 2013 an International Conference dedicated to the very important topic for our society to keep our infrastructure in a good condition. IABSE, the International association for Bridge and Structural Engineering is a scientific/technical Association comprising about 4.000 members in 100 countries, offers the platform for exchange of knowledge, opinions and ideas to explore new ways for this global problem.



In the field of construction materials and construction many changes can be noted. For progress nowadays working together in an International context is a must. Infrastructure is not only designed for safety and service-ability, but as well for flexibility and adaptability. Maintenance and upgrading of structures move to the centre of interest.



IABSE Dutch Group

The Dutch Group of IABSE unites parties in the Netherlands that are interested in the activities of IABSE. With a total of 55 participants it represents the construction sector.

In 2003 the Conference on structures for High Speed Railway Transportation in Antwerp was co-organised with the Belgian Group and Dutch Group.

IABSE Belgian Group

The Belgian Group has 64 members and thereby represents the construction sector. Construction site visits and an annual meeting are the principal national activities.

Themes and topics of the IABSE Spring Conference 2013

- 1 *Load carrying capacity and remaining lifetime*
 - o Tunnels
 - o Bridges
 - o Port and maritime structures
- 2 *Assessment of structural condition*
 - o Procedures and methods
 - o Effectiveness, loading assessment and decision tools
 - o Monitoring
 - o Sensoring
- 3 *Modernisation and refurbishment*
 - o Change of utilization and conditions of use
 - o Transformation or restoration
 - o Industrial processes, more efficient processes and smart building
 - o Construction in restricted areas and/or under confined conditions
 - o Structures of historic and architectural value
- 4 *Materials and products*
 - o Conservation and repair products
 - o Intelligent materials
 - o Recycling of materials
- 5 *Structural verification*
 - o Bridges
 - o Tunnels
 - o Port and maritime structures



Important dates

Submission of abstracts	April 15, 2012
Notification of acceptance of abstracts	June 30, 2012
Submission of full papers	October 15, 2012
Notification of acceptance of full papers	January 15, 2013
Spring symposium	May 6-8, 2013

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