



## "Institute Days"

Single-Day Discount Admission Available to SEI Members

Attending ASCE's Baltimore 2004 Civil Engineering Conference & Exposition

Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) members who register by October 1 can sign up for a \$150 "Institute Days" single-day discount admission (\$175 onsite) for any one day of choice to attend SEI-sponsored technical sessions and events at "Charting the Future," ASCE's Baltimore 2004 Civil Engineering Conference & Exposition, October 20-23, 2004.

SEI-oriented technical sessions on Wednesday afternoon feature a panel on the impact and benefits for structural engineering of electronic data interchange (EDI). SEI's Thursday program includes a morning session on the World Trade Center reconstruction and two afternoon sessions devoted to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) investigation of the Trade Center collapse.

Friday's SEI attendees can begin their day with a combined offering of two of the best presentations from the 2004 Structures Congress in Nashville, followed in the afternoon by a review of National Science Foundation structural engineering research activities and a big picture look at mega-projects. Saturday's SEI sessions will focus on FEMA's hazard risk reduction activities and the seismic safety of federal buildings.

For details on this offer for SEI "Institute Day" registrants that includes access to the International Delegations Luncheon for Wednesday; or Exposition Hall Lunch and Icebreaker for Thursday; or Exposition Hall Lunch for Friday; or Honorary Members Lunch on Saturday, visit: [www.asce.org/conferences/annual04/](http://www.asce.org/conferences/annual04/) ■

## Announcement and Call for Sessions and Papers

### 2006 Structures Congress

"Structural Engineering and Public Safety"

May 18th - 21st, 2006

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Submission Schedule:

- Session Requests/Papers Due: March 14, 2005
- Preliminary Acceptance Notification: May 15, 2005
- Final Acceptance of Session Requests/Abstracts: June 13, 2005
- Publication-Read Papers Due: November 14, 2005

Topics (see website for sub-topics):

- Building Codes
- Extreme Event Loading
- Structural Design, Performance & Serviceability
- Materials, Advanced Technology & Methods
- Professional Practice & Engineering Management
- Infrastructure Engineering
- Special Structures
- Computational Mechanics



Submission procedure:

Session requests and paper abstracts must be submitted to the SEI Website at [www.seinstitute.org](http://www.seinstitute.org). ■

To have your name put on the mailing list for further communications, email [jquash@asce.org](mailto:jquash@asce.org) or call 1-800-548-2723 x6307.

## Order of the Engineer Ring Ceremonies at the ASCE Annual Conference

October 21st, 2004 • 7:00 am

ASCE President Pat Galloway and President-Elect Bill Henry invite you to participate in the Order of the Engineer Ring Ceremony to be held in conjunction with the ASCE Annual Conference in Baltimore, MD. The Ceremony will be held as a special breakfast event supporting a Global Ethics program at the Conference.

The Order of the Engineer was initiated in the United States to foster a spirit of pride and responsibility in the engineering profession, to bridge the gap between training and experience, and to present to the public a visible symbol identifying the engineer. The first Ring Ceremony was held on June 4, 1970 at Cleveland State University. Others like it have since spread across the United States, at which graduate and registered engineers are invited to accept the Obligation of the Engineer and to wear a stainless steel ring.

The Ring Ceremonies are conducted by Links (local sections) of the Order. Over 800 engineers have participated in ASCE led Ring Ceremonies since Spring 2003. More information on the Order of the Engineer can be found at [www.order-of-the-engineer.org](http://www.order-of-the-engineer.org) or [www.asce.org/professional/order.cfm](http://www.asce.org/professional/order.cfm).

Participants at the ASCE Annual Conference Ring Ceremony will take the Obligation of the Engineer and receive a stainless steel ring. The cost will be \$15 for the Ceremony only, or \$40 for the Ceremony and Breakfast.

For additional information on the Ceremony and to obtain a registration form, please visit: [www.asce.org/conferences/annual04/](http://www.asce.org/conferences/annual04/) ■

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## 2004 FHWA Steel Bridge Conference

"Steel Bridges: Emerging Technologies with Emphasis on High Performance Steel and Accelerated Bridge Construction"

December 16 and 17, 2004

Hyatt Regency Hotel, San Antonio, Texas.

This event is arguably the most important steel bridge event of the year. The conference is sponsored by Federal Highway Administration. SEI is a co-sponsor of the conference as well as the following State Departments of Transportation, who will actively participate in the conference: AL, FL, GA, IL, KY, LA, MS, NE, NC, SC, TN, TX, VA.

This conference is the fourth FHWA Steel Bridge Conference. Previous conferences were held in Kansas City, Missouri in 1999, in Baltimore, Maryland in 2000 and in Salt Lake City, Utah in 2002. A total of more than 1200 steel bridge professionals, including thirty-four state highway bridge engineers, attended these conferences. Similar participation is expected for this conference. In attendance will be more than 14 state highway bridge engineers.

This conference brings together State Bridge Engineers, Federal Highway bridge engineers, industry, and design professionals. The focus of this conference is on the state-of-the-art practices for enhancing design, and construction of steel bridges for the new millennium using High Performance Steel and emerging technologies for accelerated bridge construction.

On December 15, the day prior to the beginning of the conference, three workshops will be held at the conference site. For more information, registration and hotel reservation visit the following conference web site: [www.highperformancesteel.com](http://www.highperformancesteel.com). ■

## Announcing - CASE Risk Management Program 1st Annual Convocation

A dedicated group of structural engineers representing SEI, CASE, NCSEA and alumni of a previous risk management program have met several times over the past year to create a new forum designed to help structural engineers manage and reduce risk through education. This same group will hold its 1st Annual Convocation on Nov. 5 & 6, 2004 in Reston, VA.

RMP will address topics such as:

- Classic claims against structural engineers
- The role of professional liability insurance
- The disconnect between what the SE profession believes it needs and what the insurance companies provide
- War stories – presentation of real claims on how RM/LP could have helped
- The status of tort reform legislation in the US.

Breakout topics include:

- Risk management for residential and condominium projects
- Why slabs-on-grade crack and why we have losses
- Steel connections – design or delegate
- The responsibility of the structural engineer of record – Is there an end?
- Site visits, inspections and observation—Can you manage your risk?
- Are you ready for a major project disaster

You are invited to participate and join the discussions. The Program and online Registration can be found at the SEI website: [www.seiinstitute.org](http://www.seiinstitute.org). For further information, contact Mary Ellen Saville, SEI Administrator at [mesaville@asce.org](mailto:mesaville@asce.org). ■

