

Welcome Note 10ICG

Dear participants of the „10th IGS International Conference on Geosynthetics“,

As organizer of the conference the „German Geotechnical Society (DGGT)“ offers to all of you, participants and accompanying persons, also in the name of the „German Chapter of the International Geosynthetics Society (IGS)“ which is an integral part of DGGT, a very warm welcome to Germany's vibrant capital Berlin!

During the week from 21 to 26 September 2014 the DGGT is hosting two major events, the „10th International Conference on Geosynthetics (10ICG)“ from 21 to 25 September 2014 and the „33rd Baugrundtagung“ from 23 to 26 September 2014 at the „ESTREL Convention Center“ in Berlin which provides outstanding technical and infrastructural conditions for the organization of both events.

We are very glad that after travelling around the world the „10th International Conference on Geosynthetics“ as jubilee event and most important international geosynthetics conference was offered to be organized in Berlin.

The DGGT's Baugrundtagung is one of Germany's largest civil engineering conferences which takes place every two years and is focused on geotechnical engineering.

Both conferences are complemented by a large joint exhibition which is open to all participants. With a special „Combination ticket“ all participants of the 10ICG and 33rd Baugrundtagung have the chance to visit both conferences, and for our international guests the presentations of the DGGT Baugrundtagung will be translated simultaneously into English for the first time.

The 10ICG will offer special and keynote lectures and will present the world's state-of-the-art for geosynthetic products, research and applications in numerous parallel technical and training sessions. Tuesday, 23 September 2014, will be the day of the Young IGS Members and the Young Geotechnical Engineers from DGGT reporting about their research and practical engineering experiences in two special sessions. Presentations at the DGGT „Young Engineers Forum“ will also be translated simultaneously into English.

Meeting up with colleagues, listening to presentations or visiting the exhibition are some of the many attractions of the joint conferences. On 24 September you can join participants of the DGGT Baugrundtagung for a festive evening in the relaxed atmosphere of Berlin's Hofbräu.

The pulsating metropolis of Berlin is waiting for you with a huge variety of cultural events, museums and places of interest, offering both visitors and their companions a rich diversity of things to do and see.

We are very pleased to welcome you in Berlin and wish you a wonderful and memorable time in Berlin during the 10ICG and 33rd Baugrundtagung.

With our best regards

Georg Heerten
Chairman DGGT

Martin Ziegler
President German IGS Chapter