



Conference theme

our proposal is

Geotechnical Engineering *foundation of the future*

Why Reykjavík

The Icelandic Geotechnical Society, IGS, is enthusiastic about organizing this great event. IGS has hosted the Nordic Geotechnical Conference and will be the host for the next, **NGM-2016 in Reykjavik**. However, Iceland has never hosted the European Geotechnical Conference and it is with great pleasure that we welcome you in 2019.

Iceland now enjoys increased popularity for conferences. Many major conferences have been held in the conference centre Harpa and both visitors and organizers have been very pleased with the facilities, see more.

We offer our guests a venue unlike all others surrounded by inspiring nature. Iceland is one of the most geologically active locations in the world with volcanoes, lava fields, hot spots, earthquake activities, geothermal areas and glacial outburst. This has created both challenging geotechnical environment and magnificent scenery that you cannot find anywhere else in the world.

The Venue

The conference venue is HARPA the new Reykjavík Concert Hall and Conference Centre, located at the harbour with a view to the mountain Esja. The harbor is in the center of town, so attendees should be able to enjoy Reykjavik to the fullest. Harpa offers excellent facilities for presentations, meetings and exhibition. The main hall has seatings for 1600 people and five other halls with seatings from 130 to 840 people and several meeting rooms which will be available for committee meetings.

Support

The Icelandic Geotechnical Society has an extensive support to be a host for ECSMGE 2019. Our bid is supported by the Ministry of the Interior, The Mayor of Reykjavik, MEET in REYKJAVIK Convention Bureau as well as all IGS's supporting members; The Icelandic Road and Coastal Administration, Landsvirkjun the National Power Company of Iceland, EFLA Consulting Engineers, Mannvit Consulting Engineers and VERKIS Consulting Engineers.

Invitation to host the **XVII ECSMGE 2019** **Geotechnical Engineering** **foundation of the future**

On behalf of the Icelandic Geotechnical Society we are pleased to confirm our bid to host the XVII European Conference on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering in Reykjavik, Iceland
Proposed date for the Conference is
8th - 13th of September 2019

We hope to get your support and your National Society's vote in our favor at the European Member Societies meeting in Edinburgh. We look forward to host this great event in Reykjavik 2019, if we get the opportunity.

The conference would be held in Harpa, the Concert Hall and Conference Centre in the heart of Reykjavík, Iceland

With best regards

The board of the Icelandic Geotechnical Society
Haraldur Sigursteinsson, chairman

Further information on our bid webpage:

<http://ecsmge-2019.weebly.com>

On behalf of the Icelandic Geotechnical Society
we welcome you to Iceland