
BGA COMPETITION

for a

Young Geotechnical Engineer

to attend the Annual EYGEC or IYGEC

INTRODUCTION

The BGA annually sponsors two delegates to attend an International Young Geotechnical Engineers' Conference (YGEC). The conferences are arranged by the European group of the ISSMGE in three out of every four years. In the year of an ICSMGE, a world-wide YGEC is held. One of the two delegates every year is the Cooling Prize winner.

The BGA invites all the UK regional geotechnical groups each to nominate one candidate to be considered for the award of the second sponsored delegate place. Nominations should be received by 28 February each year. A sub-committee of the BGA Executive Committee will review the nominations and their decision will be final. The BGA reserves the right not to award a place to any of the nominees.

The requirements for a YGEC delegate are set out below, together with information to be presented with a nomination.

CRITERIA AND REQUIREMENTS FOR YGEC DELEGATES

General guidelines are given on the ISSMGE website at: <http://www.issmge.org/web/page.aspx?refid=469>

The main points are:

- Delegates should be under 35 years of age.
- Delegates must be members of ISSMGE. (UK residents can join ISSMGE only as an adjunct of BGA membership.)
- All delegates must submit a paper of approximately 2000 words.
- All delegates present their papers at the conference. About 15 minutes is allowed per presentation.

REQUIREMENTS FOR A NOMINATION

The following information should be supplied:

- Nominee's name and BGA membership number (nominees must be members of the BGA at the time the application is submitted).
- A short (~200 word) commendation from a member of the committee of the proposing regional group.
- The nominee should supply brief personal details, with reasons for wishing to attend the conference and a synopsis of up to 500 words of the paper to be presented at the YGEC.
- The successful delegate is required to provide a short report to the BGA on their experience at the Conference. This may be published on the BGA website and in *Ground Engineering* magazine.
- Nominations should be submitted to the BGA Co-ordinator at ICE: bga@britishgeotech.org.uk

THE AWARD

The BGA will pay the delegate fees, accommodation cost (normally included with the Conference) and reasonable travel expenses for the delegate to attend the conference.