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### 1. Awards Presentations in London

At the Annual Meetings and IABSE-IASS Symposium in London Predrag Popovic, President of IABSE, presented the following Awards:

- Honorary Membership to Jacques Combault, France
- The International Award of Merit to Leslie E. Roberston, USA
- IABSE Prize to Yongxin Yang, China
- Outstanding Paper Award to Doris M.S. Yau and Michael C.H. Hui, China.

For more information, [download the IABSE Awards 2011 brochure..](#)

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### 2. IABSE - The First 80 Years, by Tom F. Peters

Read the story of how, through whom, and why IABSE came to be what it is today. [Download the free electronic copy here](#), or buy a hard copy [here..](#)

In 2009 when IABSE celebrated its 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, it decided to recollect its history in a book. It was the right time to benefit from the memory of past presidents and former Executive Director Alain Golay, who served the Association for more than 30 years. Thanks to the generous financial support of the IABSE Foundation, this project was made possible.

[The author Tom F. Peters](#), Lehigh University Emeritus Professor of Architecture and History, did a tremendous job and joined the IABSE Symposium in London where the book was presented for the first time. [\(Photo\)](#)

IABSE was founded in the aftermath of World War I in 1929 to reconnect professionals who had lost contact through the isolation of war. IABSE became quickly the international voice of the profession, forming a source of reference on the field and a basis for the social recognition of structural engineering as a political, economic and cultural force to be reckoned with in the development of the 20th century. [More..](#)

### 3. Annual Meetings 2011

178 delegates and 46 Accompanying Persons attended the Annual Meetings of the technical and non-technical committees of IABSE at the Imperial College in London from September 17-19, 2011. The meetings were held in parallel with those of IASS.

The Permanent Committee elected Ulrike Kuhlmann, Professor at the Institute of Structural Design, University of Stuttgart, as Vice-President of IABSE as successor for Holger Svensson. Ulrike Kuhlmann is Chair of the German Group of IABSE and has been active on numerous IABSE committees. Currently she is a correspondent for SEI, a member of the Working Group for Bearing and Joints and Delegate to the Permanent Committee. Congratulations to the first woman at IABSE in this position and thanks to Holger Svensson who served as Vice-President from 2003-2011.

[Photo](#)

#### 4. IABSE-IASS Symposium London 2011

The IABSE-IASS Symposium ‘**Taller, Longer, Lighter**’, September 20-23, 2011, was a great success. The Organising Committee, chaired by Ian Firth (IABSE) and Brian Smith (IASS) offered 1069 participants a well prepared programme over full four days. The Scientific Committee, co-chaired by David Nethercot (IABSE) and Sergio Pellegrino (IASS), had originally received 902 abstracts from 54 countries, which resulted in the acceptance of 431 for oral presentation and 158 for the Technical Forum. 145 Young Engineers attended the symposium and this year the winners of the Young Engineers Contribution Award (diploma and money prize of CHF 2’500 to each) were:

- **Francesca Lupi, Italy**, with: “Non-conventional Wind Loading on Ultra-high Towers in Solar Updraft Power Plants” and
- **Lucas Epp, UK**, with: “Richmond Speed Skating Oval Wood Wave Timber Panels”

A Public Session ‘Constructing the Future’ rounded off the Symposium on the last day.

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#### 5. For your Agenda: IABSE Conference Rotterdam 2013

The IABSE Conference ‘**Assessment, Upgrading and Refurbishment of Infrastructures**’, May 6-8, 2013, will be organised by the Dutch and Belgian Group of IABSE. [More..](#)

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## 7. Call for Papers: ICSA 2013

The 2nd International Conference on Structures and Architecture (ICSA) will be held in Guimarães, Portugal, July 24-26, 2013 and is co-sponsored by IABSE. The aim is to present research and developments on the merging of architecture and structural engineering. It is intended for both researchers and practitioners, including architects, structural and construction engineers, builders and building consultants, constructors, material suppliers, product manufacturers and other experts and professionals involved in the design and realisation of architectural, structural and infrastructural projects. Authors are invited to submit one page abstract (500 words) online in electronic form, before **February 15, 2012**. [More..](#)

## 8. IABSE Photo Calendar 2012: Last Chance to Order!

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## 9. Calendar of Events

### 2012

#### **IABSE Conference**

May 7-9, 2012, Cairo, Egypt, 'Global Thinking in Structural Engineering: Recent Achievements' (Spring Meetings precede the Symposium). [More..](#)

#### **Co-sponsored by IABSE**

November 15, Shanghai, China, 'IC-SDCI' International Conference on Sustainable Development of Critical Infrastructure

#### **IABSE Congress**

September 19-21, 2012, Seoul, Korea, 18<sup>th</sup> IABSE Congress 'Innovative and Sustainable Infrastructures Towards Human Urbanism' (Annual Meetings precede Symposium).

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### 2013

July 24-26, 2013, Guimares, Portugal, 'ICSA 2013' with the theme 'Structures and More' organised by the School of Architecture, University of Minho. Call for Papers by February 15, 2012. [More..](#)

#### **IABSE Conference**

May 6-8, 2013, Rotterdam, The Netherlands, 'Assessment, Upgrading and Refurbishment of Infrastructures' organised by the Dutch and Belgian Groups of IABSE. Call for Papers by April 15, 2012. [More..](#)

#### **IABSE Symposium**

September 25-27, Kolkata, India, 36th IABSE Symposium 'Long Span Bridge and Roof Structures - Development, Design and Implementation' (Annual Meetings precede Symposium)

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