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ARMS11 postponed to 2021 due to epidemic

Due to the serious threat from the COVID-19 epidemic, the Organizing Committee of the Asian Rock Mechanics Symposium (ARMS 11), to be held in Beijing, China, decided to postpone ARMS 11 to a date to be determined in 2021, with the agreement of the ISRM.

We are confident that the current situation will be overcome in a short time. As soon as possible a new date of ARMS11 will be announced.

CSRME Held the First Video Meeting on International Exchange and Cooperation in 2020



On March 12, 2020, Chinese Society for Rock Mechanics and Engineering (CSRME) held its first video meeting on international exchange and cooperation in 2020 under the background of COVID-19 prevention and control.

The meeting was presided over by Prof. He Manchao, President of CSRME and ISRM NG China. Prof. Xia-Ting Feng, President of CSRME, Prof. Yang Qiang, ISRM VP at large, and Prof. Wang Mingyang, Vice President of the ISRM NG China, Ms. Wenli Xu, Secretary General of ISRM NG China attended the meeting.

The following leaders and experts also attended this meeting. Yang Xiaojie, Secretary General of CSRME, President of FedIGS JTC2, 9 Presidents of 8 ISRM Technical Commissions. There were 29 people attended the video meeting, including relevant leaders and staff of CSRME, President of CSRME Japan Branch, as well as North America Branch, and other leaders and staff of CSRME Secretariat.

At the meeting, Chinese rock mechanics and engineering scholars working in international academic organizations reported the work in related organizations. The participants exchanged views and discussed the problems existing in the current work and explored the next work plan.

Communications between CSRME and ISRM on the progress of COVID-19



On February 20, 2020, when China made positive progress in the COVID-19 prevention and control, Prof. Xia-Ting Feng and Prof. He Manchao, Presidents of Chinese Society for Rock Mechanics & Engineering (CSRME), sent a letter to International Society for Rock Mechanics (ISRM).

In the letter, they emphasized that, under the firm leadership of the Party Central Committee with President Xi Jinping as the core, the Chinese government and Chinese people have pulled together in times of trouble to overcome difficulties, and achieved positive results in disease treatment, epidemic prevention and control, vaccine development and allocation of personnel and materials.

On February 26, 2020, we received a letter from Professor Resat Ulusay, President of ISRM. On behalf of ISRM, he expressed sincere care and solicitude to the Chinese government and Chinese people, highly appreciated the efforts made by the Chinese government and China Association for Science and Technology, and spoke highly of the generous donations made by Academician Qian Qihu and members of CSRME. He firmly believes that the Chinese government and Chinese people will win the battle against the epidemic very soon.

Meanwhile, Professor Resat Ulusay highly praised work arrangements of CSRME for the ARMS11, stated that ISRM will actively publicize ARMS11 on its official website, and suggested that CSRME should timely respond and adjust the conference agenda according to the contributions and the progress of epidemic prevention and control

