#### CALL FOR PROPOSALS TO HOST THE:

# "2ND SYMPOSIUM ON ENERGY GEOTECHNICS (SEG-2018)"

This document provides a few guidelines for preparing the proposal to host the "2<sup>nd</sup> Symposium on Energy Geotechnics (SEG-2018)". Information about the "1<sup>st</sup> Symposium on Energy Geotechnics (SEG-2015)" can be found in and the <u>TC308 Newsletter</u>

Please provide details for each one of the items listed below.

#### 1. SYMPOSIUM THEME AND FORMAT

The Symposia on Energy Geotechnics are organized every four years (as the International Conferences on Energy Geotechnics) scheduled in a manner that there is an official TC308 event every 2 years.

The International Conferences on Energy Geotechnics are organized following the typical format of this type of event, including amongst others: keynote lectures, invited speakers, and technical presentations by delegates.

The Symposia on Energy Geotechnics are intended to provide more time for fruitful discussions and interactions between delegates, as well as to focus on particular aspects of interest related to Energy Geotechnics. For examples, one of the goals of the SEG-2015 held in Barcelona was to discuss the current state of knowledge and practice, as well as the main associated challenges, in the different areas related to Energy Geotechnics. One track session per task force was organized during the first two days. The last day was deserved to technical presentations by the delegates. The track sessions had three main components: positions papers (delivered by the task force leaders and co-authors), invited presentations (from recognized specialist in the task forces subjects); and a discussion panel (involving experts from the industry and academia that addressed questions pre-formulated by the organization and also questions and discussions from the audience).

Two themed issues in the 'Journal Geomechanics for the Environment and Energy' containing selected SEG-2015 contributions have been organized (one issue was already published and the other one is at advanced stages of the reviewing process). Another themed issue related to the task forces positions papers is being prepared to be published in the same journal. More information about the SEG-2015 can be found in the TC308 Newsletter

For this Second Symposium, the organizers are free to propose the event goal(s) and format. There are several aspects that the geo-engineering community needs to address in this new area of Energy Geotechnics. The proposal for hosting the SEG-2018 should contain a brief description of the Symposium goals and its tentative format.

Colleagues interested in submitting a proposal for organizing this event are very welcome to contact the members of the "TC308 leadership team" (listed at the end of this document) to discuss ideas and other aspects related to the organization of the SEG-2018.

### 2. LOCATION

- Host country and the possible city (or cities if there is more than one option).
- Type of venue (i.e. hotel or university).
- Any other relevant consideration.

#### 2. DATE

- Tentative duration and dates of the conference.
- The suggested date is around mid-2016, however the proposers may suggest a different date if convenient.

### 3. TRANSPORTATION AVAILABILITY

- Available public transportation options (i.e. ground transportation to and from airport; and ground transportation in the city).
- Any other relevant aspect.

### 4. ATTENDANCE, EXHIBITS AND TECHNICAL PROGRAM

- Anticipated number of attendees.
- Tentative registration costs.
- Tentative number of invited and technical lectures.
- How the papers will be published.
- Any other relevant consideration.

### 5. LODGING AVAILABILITY AND COST

- Possible accommodation options and associated costs.
- Any other relevant aspect.

### 6. ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITMENT

- Local organizing committee
- Milestone and associated time before the event
- Any other relevant consideration

## 7. SPONSORS

• Potential sponsors

### 8. PRE-CONFERENCE AND POST-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

• Possible pre and/or post congress activities.

## 9. TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

• Description of local tourist attractions.

# Proposal deadline is 15 August 2016

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