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[1] 13WCSI: Second announcement and call for abstracts

The 13th World Conference on Seismic Isolation, Energy Dissipation and Active Vibration Control of Structures (13WCSI) commemorating JSSI 20th Anniversary , will be held in Sendai, Japan, during September 24-27, 2013. This conference is aimed at gathering researchers, engineers and other specialists from around the world, to share the results of cutting-edge research and development concerning anti-seismic technologies in a free and open atmosphere. For the conference, we are planning lively presentations and discussions, a pleasant reception, a visit to seismically isolated buildings and a one-day excursion to the tsunami affected area by the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake.

For more information, please visit the official website:

<http://13wcsi-jssi20.com/>

Deadline for abstract submission is March 31, 2013

We are looking forward to seeing you in Sendai soon.

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[2] Three years after the January 2010 earthquake, From Mr. Fritz Auplan (2011-2012 E-course), Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communications (MTPTC), Haiti

Haiti's Reconstruction process continues to move forward slowly, without proper planning. The government is not the main leader:

- 1) Reconstruction Fund for Haiti (FRH) gives money to the World Bank that transfers it to another local institution called Office for Program of Development Aid (BMPAD : Bureau de Monetisation aux Programmes d'Aide au Developpement) whose main responsibility is to finance local actions. Some NGOs receive the money from the BMPAD and work as operators: they identify generally actions to lead and ensure the execution by private companies. Sometimes the Government only supervises them and gives them a certification at the end of the works.
- 2) Some people still lives in tents mainly in the Metropolitan Area of Port-au-Prince.
- 3) We can observe many school constructions across Port-au-Prince.
- 4) The Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communications (MTPTC) starts checking and delivering permit to build important buildings. It's my new responsibility at MTPTC.
- 5) Thanks to the training program for masons', leads by MTPTC, people are starting to improve the way to build.

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We send this IISEE Newsletter to ex-participants whose e-mail addresses are known, lecturers and other stakeholders. The IISEE send new data and information actively and accept your contribution at any time. In order to enlarge IISEE network, we'd like to ask you to invite your fellow ex-participants whose e-mail addresses are unknown to us. We welcome your comments about the IISEE Newsletter.

Please feel free to send your comments and opinions. IISEE welcomes your participation.

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