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[1] The 4th China Seismic Building Course has finished

The 4th China Seismic Building Course is completed on July 31, 18 trainees from China returned home safely. We received many favorable opinions from trainees such as "the concept of the Japanese seismic design method would be helpful also in China" or "I want to use the Japanese technology of seismic isolation and response control after returning to China."

Unfortunately, this is the last one of the China Seismic Building Course. Since beginning one year after the Sichuan earthquake in China in 2008, a total of 72 structural engineers from all over China have attended this training course. It is strongly expected that the knowledge learnt through the training course would be utilized to improve seismic safety of buildings in China.

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[2] Call for Paper of IISEE Bulletin

Editorial Office of the Bulletin of IISEE invites you for publishing your research results on our Bulletin:

i) the special articles for the year 2013 is being featured.
http://iisee.kenken.go.jp/bltn/db/links/Call_for_Special_Articles.pdf

ii) the articles for usual submission also welcome.
<http://iisee.kenken.go.jp/?p=public>

For both cases, your submitted articles will be printed and also opened on IISEE web.

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[3] Ask your Cooperation for Update

IISEE, Building Research Institute, has a web site of "Information Network of Earthquake Disaster Prevention Technologies" (<http://iisee.kenken.go.jp/net/>), so called "IISEE-NET". Some information is already obsolete, so we would like to revise it especially about the seismic design code in the following URL:

http://iisee.kenken.go.jp/net/seismic_design_code/index.htm

It is greatly appreciated if you provide us the latest information about the definition of design seismic force by text and figures to:

bri-office@kenken.go.jp

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[4] Response from those who received honorary scientist/engineer

"Honorary Scientist of IISEE" (Colombia)

I always was very happy to have had the opportunity to visit Japan and spend one full year to realize its beauty, its culture, its knowledge and the spiritual strength of the Japanese People. On the occasion of the very strong tsunami of the 11th of March 2011 that hit especially the Tohoku region, I wrote to the IISEE expressing my feelings and our disposition. We had you, at IISEE, and all the People in Japan, in our hearts!

Rene van Hissenhoven, S.J. (Seismology course in 1970-1971)

"Honorary Engineer of IISEE" (Indonesia)

I am very honored to receive the Honorary Engineer of the International Institute of Seismology and Earthquake Engineering (IISEE). I hope the 50 years celebration of IISEE was successful and I shall be very glad to give a special lecture at the IISEE if I have the chance to visit Japan in the near future.

Ir. Teddy BOEN (Earthquake Engineering course in 1962-1963)

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[5] Earthquakes in Northwest Iran on August 11

Two earthquakes which magnitude surpassed 6.0 occurred in East Azarbaijan province of northwest Iran on August 11. Many houses collapsed and, it is reported that more than 300 people have been killed and more than 3,000 injured. Dr. Mohsen Ashtiany, Director of International Institute of Earthquake Engineering and Seismology (IIEES) in Iran introduced the following web-site information to IISEE.

<http://ieea.ir/>

IISEE offers our condolences to the victims and hopes earlier recovery of the affected areas. Japan Association for Earthquake Engineering (JAEE) provides related data at the following web-site (in Japanese).

<http://www.jaee.gr.jp/jp/disaster/2012iran/>

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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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