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We have a pleasure to inform you about the important event from the domain of architecture and civil engineering that will be held in Krakow at the end of May 2019: *fib* Symposium organized under the auspices of International Federation for Structural Concrete (Federation Internationale du Beton).

Architectural, scientific and research, expert, executive and propagating activity within the field of concrete structures constitutes a huge area of actions in the modern world. International Federation for Structural Concrete (*fib*) is the leading association making diverse efforts in order to popularize the knowledge in this field. The most important elements of this activity are *fib* Symposia which are organized annually. In 2019, May 27-29, *fib* Symposium will be held in Poland for the first time. Part of this *fib* meeting is dedicated to the issues from the architecture domain. Appreciation of these problems reflects in the program that is planned for 2019 Symposium.

The Organizing Committee has invited the excellent and respectful key-note speakers from different countries who will give lectures on the topics covering various issues (material, structural and architectural ones). We would like to focus your attention to the fact that the one of the key-note speakers is Mr. **Rudy Ricciotti**, the architect awarded with numerous and prestigious rewards and distinctions. Rudy Ricciotti, pioneer and ambassador of concrete, sublimates innovative concrete techniques in landmark constructions such as the Philharmonic "Nikolaïsaal" in Potsdam (Germany) – 2000, the Footbridge of Peace over the Han River in Seoul (South-Korea) – 2002, the national choregraphic centre (CCN) in Aix-en-Provence – 2006, the Jean Cocteau Museum in Menton – 2011, the new wing for the Louvre in Paris to host its Islamic art collection – 2012, the Museum of Civilisations of Europe and the Mediterranean (MuCEM) in Marseille – 2013, Jean-Bouin Stadium in Paris – 2013, the Bridge of the Republic in Montpellier – 2014, the Memorial museum of the Rivesaltes camp – 2015, the International Centre of Art and Culture at the Boverie Parc in Liège (Belgium) – 2016, the concert hall Arena and its car park in Floirac / Bordeaux – 2017, the library of Sélestat – 2018.

The presentation by the Author of such remarkable projects will be a great honour for the organizers of Symposium and exceptional attraction for the participants interested in architecture.

The other authors of key-note lectures will present the problems from their own area of interest: from material issues, through the structural ones, both in historical and modern views, as well as latest achievements of technology and science and new directions of development within the field of concrete structures.

We are absolutely convinced that all key-note presentations will provide the information of the highest scientific and engineering level and ensure the wide and fruitful discussions within all mentioned areas.

The complete list of key-note speakers for *fib* Symposium 2019 includes:

Rudy Ricciotti, France (awarded France's Grand Prix National d'Architecture in 2006, Gold Medal of the Académie d'architecture in 2013, *fib* Freyssinet Medal in 2018 and member of the Académie des technologies):

“Sans titre / Untitled”

(presentation in French, simultaneously translated into English)

Mikael W. Braestrup, Denmark (active member of a number of international associations (IABSE, *fib*, ACI) and several Danish code committees):

“Concrete plasticity – a historical perspective”

Renata Kotynia, Poland (member of Fib Task Group 5.1 - FRPRCS, ACI Committee 440 - FRPR, RILEM TC 234-DUC, CEN-TC250-SC2-WG1-TG1 and TG4, IIFC Vice President (2010-2016), IIFC Fellow, COST Action 1207 - Chair of WG1: FRP Material Development and Characterization).

“Is FRP reinforcement alternative to steel in future structural concrete perspective?”

Marco Di Prisco, Italy (president of CTE - Association of Technicians for Building Industrialization, member of Presidium and national delegate of the *fib*, active member of the RILEM - expert of the Development Advisory Committee, member ACI and AICAP)

“Critical infrastructures in Italy: state-of-the-art, rational approaches to select the intervention priorities, case studies”

We would like to inform you that the list of key-note lectures for *fib* Symposium 2019, together with the bio-grams of the authors of the presentations, is available at the Symposium web-site (http://www.fibkrakow2019.pl/keynote_sp.html).

For those who are interested in partial participation in Symposium - including taking part in presentation of Mr. Rudy Ricciotti and thematic session devoted to architecture, without participation in other sessions of *fib* Symposium 2019 – special conditions are offered by the Organizers. Participation registration within the package “Architecture” is available, allowing for the entrance to the plenary hall for the lecture of Mr. Rudy Ricciotti, thematic session for architecture and including coffee/lunch break between those two events.

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