Canadian engineers receive top honours at CSCE 2012 annual conference

Ottawa, Ontario (June 8, 2012) – This week 600 civil engineers gathered in Edmonton for the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering annual conference “CSCE 2012 – Leadership in Sustainable Infrastructure”. Each year the CSCE conference hosts an awards banquet where a number of Career and Best Paper Awards are presented to outstanding members of this prestigious society. Last night, four articles published in the Canadian Journal of Civil Engineering (CJCE) and one in the Canadian Geotechnical Journal (CGJ) were recognized with Technical Paper Awards.

“The selection committees are pleased and privileged to be part of the selection process for the Best Paper Awards for the CSCE. On the basis of the nominations provided by the Journal editors, each member of each committee reviewed and ranked the nominated papers according to award criteria. The committee Chairs then tabulated the rankings and determined the winners and Honourable Mentions,” explains Tom Brown, of the University of Calgary, co-ordinator of the CSCE Best Paper Awards. “Because of the dual selection process, first Journal, then Committee, we believe that the winning papers are of exceptional and world-class quality and that the authors are well deserving of these Best Paper Awards. Congratulations!”

The winners of the five CSCE Technical Paper Awards for 2011 are as follows:


“We are proud to have published four outstanding papers that were recognised by the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering, and we are pleased to make them available open access on the [CJCE website](http://www.nrcresearchpress.com/cjce),” says Mike Bartlett, co-editor of the *Canadian Journal of Civil Engineering*.

“The The Keefer Award winning article selected by the society this year is a seminal study,” says Ian Moore, Editor of CGJ. "It typifies many of the best examples of scholarship being published in the journal, involving in this case a team of leading Canadian and American experts, who have used their different skill sets in stochastic analysis, geosynthetics, and landfill barrier engineering, and made a profound advance that can underpin improved decision making by consultants, contractors and public agencies. We are pleased to make this article available open access ([www.nrcresearchpress.com/cgj](http://www.nrcresearchpress.com/cgj)).”

Further information about the awards and award-winning papers can be found in the CSCE awards booklet available on the CSCE 2012 website at [csce2012.ca](http://csce2012.ca)

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