Activities in 2016

1) VietGeo2016

VIETGEO 2016 was held on 22–23 Nov., 2016 at Muong Thanh Quang Ninh Hotel, Halong City, Vietnam. The conference was organized by VNU University of Science, Vietnam National University (HUS-VNU), Vietnam Association of Engineering Geology and the Environment (VAEGE), and Japan Society of Engineering Geology (JSEG). It was held as an international joint conference after the successful 10th Asian regional conference held in Kyoto, Japan, 2015. About 80 participants, including 13 Japanese, attended the meeting. In Vietnam, sustainable development of coastal areas is a vital geo-engineering issue, therefore the theme of the conference was "Geological and Geotechnical Engineering in Response to Climate Change and Sustainable Development of Infrastructure". Four technical sessions were organized. They were Climate change impacts and the adaption, Engineering geology for sustainable development of infrastructure, Landslides, and Environmental geotechnics.

On the second day, many participants enjoyed a tour cruise on Halong Bay, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and features thousands of limestone karsts and isles in various shapes and sizes. The conference was successful especially to promote relationship of engineering geologists between Vietnam and Japan.



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News

1) Awarded by Japanese Government

Prof. Masahiro Chigira, chairman for Japan National Group is the winner of the Prize for Science and Technology by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, in April 2017. His excellent international research of deep-seated landslide has been praised.



Prof. Masahiro Chigira