



## IABSE Membership Benefits

- IABSE Committees and Commissions, opportunity to participate
- *Structural Engineering International (SEI)*, Journal of IABSE (print and electronic)
- IABSE Newsletter
- Structural Engineering Documents (SED) state-of-the-art-reports series on a particular topic in structural engineering
- Reduced prices on all IABSE Publications
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IABSE is a fellowship of structural engineers operating on a worldwide basis, with interests of all type of structures, in all materials. It acts to improve our knowledge and understanding of the performance of structures, covering concepts, analysis, design, construction, operation and maintenance. Its members represent structural engineers of all ages, employed in design, academe, construction, regulation and renewal; many of its members occupy senior roles based on a history of personal achievement.

Membership of IABSE is open to all qualified structural engineers. IABSE publishes its journal, *Structural Engineering International*, organises technical development

through its Working Commissions and Working Groups, holds conferences – including its large annual event every September – produces guidance documents and, above all, offers opportunities to mix with, to learn from and to benefit, by association with like-minded structural engineers from across the world.

**For young engineers** this means meeting eminent practitioners, making contact with other enthusiastic engineers and becoming part of a group committed to the furtherance of their subject.

**For established structural engineers**, whether working in academe or practice, it means expanding their range of international contacts, developing the possibility for new collaborations and being accepted into the worldwide community of structural engineers.

**For companies** this means increased access to and visibility within the worldwide structural engineering community, together with increased availability of new information, new perspectives and new contacts.



**Y. Ge, Vice-President of IABSE**  
**Prof. Tongji University, China**

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Being a Member of IABSE, enhances my chance to learn about creative designs and innovative research in both bridges and structures from all over the world. Most valuable knowledge is gained from SEI articles with fine graphics, and at IABSE Conferences that have outstanding talks

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IABSE holds what its name promises. It is a truly international and worldwide meeting-place for structural engineers especially those, who are curious and never want to stop learning. From that derives my

first and dominant gain: The close contact with colleagues – after some time usually friends – from all fields of structural engineering in academia and in practice. In times of continued specialisation – take as an example aeronautics – the structural engineer is amongst the last generalists, where a single person can still achieve a lot. However this calls for a wide professional view and opposes too deep specialisation. To me and all its members, IABSE offers such a broad view, through personal contacts and conferences with a wide scope and top class contributions from all over the world.

and informative discussions. My membership is not only of benefit for my own teaching and research work, but also shared with my wife, a senior bridge designer, and our son, a college student majoring in architecture.

I became a Member of IABSE at the age of 29 years, inspired and motivated by my father, who had been Member of IABSE, too. What I appreciate very much is the possibility to get to know very easily practitioners and researchers from all over the world. The IABSE Conferences and workshops are a very comfortable platform for contacting and meeting interesting people. So it sometimes feels like a big ‘structural engineering’ family. There are very interesting conferences and workshops every year on specific topics. Through those IABSE pushes forward technical development and international communication. The engagement in different Working Groups and Committees is very interesting from a technical, as well as from personal point of view.



**J. McGormley, USA**  
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As a young engineer, I was encouraged to participate in IABSE. Meet the professions’ most prominent structural engineers, present to knowledgeable symposium participants, and do so while traveling the world were some of the reasons offered. Ten years later those reasons are still valid. However, membership in IABSE has also offered me new friendships from around the globe, the opportunity to serve on a Working Commission, and the chance to consider perspectives not always heard back home.