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### **35<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Bridge and Structural Engineering jointly organised by IABSE-IASS: “Taller, Longer, Lighter”**

Practicing engineers, architects, researchers, clients, constructors and all those involved in developing or studying the built environment are invited to attend the Symposium “Taller, Longer, Lighter—Meeting Growing Demand with Limited Resources”, in London from September 20-23, 2011. The Symposium is jointly organised by IABSE-IASS and also incorporates the 6th International Conference on Space Structures traditionally held at Surrey University.

The Olympics will be held in London in 2012, and the opportunity is offered to explore the exciting structures under construction for the Olympics. The main objective of the Symposium is to address the ever-growing challenge for engineers, designers and constructors to stretch the boundaries of what and how we build. Whether concerned with making taller structures or longer spans, or using lighter weight materials, it is increasingly necessary to do so using the Earth’s resources in a sustainable way, and this has added extra complexities to the engineer’s task.

Keynote Speakers will be:

- **Lord Norman Foster**, Founder and Chairman of Foster + Partners, UK
- **John Armitt**, Chairman of the Olympic Delivery Authority, UK
- **Bill Baker**, Structural Engineering Partner for Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, USA
- **Lars Hauge**, Director for Bridges, COWI, Denmark
- **Mamoru Kawaguchi**, Former President of IASS and Professor Emeritus at Hosei University, Japan.

A Young Persons’ Network has been established for students and delegates up to the age of 35 offering special benefits. Early Registration at reduced fees must be received by **June 30, 2011**.

The Final Invitation and more information are available: [www.iabse-iass-2011.com](http://www.iabse-iass-2011.com)

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