

TENTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Skype Meeting

Tuesday July 3, 2017

Present: Andre Filiatrault, Jean-Philippe Boisvert, Ulrich Bourgund, Rajesh Dhakal, Gennaro Magliulo, Gilberto Mosqueda, Tim Sullivan, Daniele Perrone (invitee).

Absent: Junwu Dai, Manos Maragakis, Rodrigo Retamales.

Note: **Action Items in bold red**

1. Introduction and Review of Agenda

- A. Filiatrault called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm (Italy Time). The Agenda was reviewed, no other points were added. Jean-Philippe Boisvert and Ulrich Bourgund were welcomed and they introduced themselves and their activities.

2. Review of Ninth Board of Directors Minutes and Action Items, April 5, 2017

- The minutes of the Ninth Board of Directors were reviewed and unanimously approved. Actions items were approved.

3. Review of SPONSE Membership Applications

- The following three membership applications were reviewed, discussed and unanimously approved.
 - Su-Chan Jun, Seoul National University, South Korea – Individual Research.
 - Esmaeel Rahamani, Anaheim, CA – Individual Researcher.
 - Turkish Association for Seismic Isolation (TASI), Istanbul, Turkey - Admitted Industrial Organization with only the Executive Director as individual member.

4. Nomination of Third Vacant Industrial Director

- It was decided to wait for one year for the election of the third industrial director.

5. Update on SPONSE Special Session at 16ECEE and 11USNCEE

- G. Mosqueda agreed to represent the SPONSE association at the 11USNCEE. E. Miranda invited some members of SPONSE to make presentations. He proposed one special session and it was approved. G. Mosqueda will try to ask for an extension of

the session, after talking to E. Miranda. Another goal is to have this session under the SPONSE umbrella.

- At the 16ECEE the title of the SPONSE Special Session is “Recent advances for improving the seismic performance of nonstructural elements” and six short presentations are included.
- The 2018 SPONSE Workshop scheduled in Pavia is postponed to May 2019.

6. Report of the conversation with Michele Calvi on the creation of SPONSE Column in the Journal of Earthquake Engineering (JEE)

- M. Calvi agreed to the informal proposal to have a SPONSE Column in the Journal of Earthquake Engineering (JEE). He recommended writing a letter to A. Elnashai, the Editor in Chief of JEE. The first SPONSE Column in JEE could be published in January 2019. It could be advertised that some papers presented at the 2019 SPONSE Workshop could be published in the SPONSE Column.
- A SPONSE Column in JEE could include some papers presented at the 2019 SPONSE Workshop, replacing the proposed SPONSE special issue in the journal of Earthquake Engineering and Engineering Vibration.
- **A. Filiatrault will write a letter to A. Elnashai, which will be first shared with the board and later with M. Calvi, asking him to write a support note.**

7. Other Business

- No other business was discussed.

8. Date of Next Board of Directors Meeting

- The next skype Board of Directors Meeting should take place in November. **In September/October A. Filiatrault will prepare a doodle poll to select a date.**
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm (Italy time).