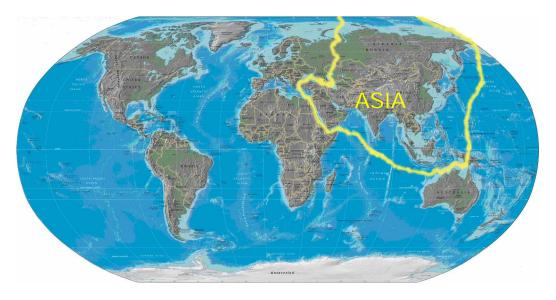


Asian Civil Engineering Coordinating Council (ACECC) was founded on September 27, 1999 in Tokyo, Japan. The purpose of the ACECC is to schedule Asian forums where worldwide members of the civil engineering profession may jointly develop programs of coordination and mutual action in designated matters affecting the interests of civil engineers and related professions. The ACECC, through separate planning and technical committees, identifies and develops methods that facilitate the discussion of worldwide civil engineering technology needs, issues, and practices for the early decades of 21<sup>st</sup> century. The members are working together to: exchange information and data; establish partnerships leading to maximizing their technological resources; identify appropriate methods that shall meet the changing future needs of the civil engineering profession; and seek ways to better transfer the findings from future conferences into practice.

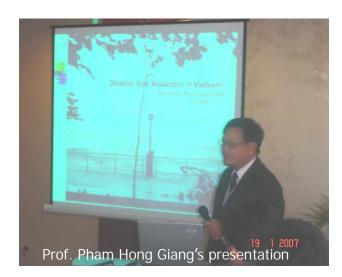
Current ACECC members are: American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Chinese Institute of Civil & Hydraulic Engineering (CICH), Japan Society of Civil Engineers (JSCE), Korean Society of Civil Engineers (KSCE), Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers (PICE), Vietnam Federation of Civil Engineering Association (VFCEA), Engineers Australia (EA), Mongolian Association of Civil Engineers (MACE).

Asia is the largest continent on Earth. It has area of 44.614 mil.  $\text{km}^2$ , approximate 60% of world population (estimated with 3.667 bil. People in 2006), generates around US\$ 18 trillion GDP. It is bounded by the Arctic,

Pacific, and Indian oceans. The western boundary, with Europe, runs roughly north-south along the eastern Ural Mountain, Caspian, Black, Aegean, and Mediterranean seas; the Suez Canal; and the Red Sea. The islands of Sri Lanka and Taiwan and the archipelagoes of Indonesia, the Philippines, and Japan also form part of Asia. Recently, the Asia-Pacific region, which is known as to be composed by the East Asia, Australia, and New Zealand, is the most dynamic development in the world. Mountains and plateaus predominate on the continent, with the highest mountains located in Central Asia and north of the Indian continent. Terrain features include Earth's highest peak, Mount Everest at 8850 m, and the lowest natural point, the Deadsea at 400m below sea level.



The 14<sup>th</sup> ACECC Executive Meeting was organized in Cebu (Philippines) on Jan.18<sup>th</sup>  $\div$ 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007 with following main items:



1. Round Table "Disaster Discussion on *Mitigation*" was held at the Opening Session with speakers from U.S.A., Japan, Taiwan, Vietnam, Philippines, and Indonesia. On behalf of VFCEA, Prof. Dr(sr). Pham Giang. VFCEA Hong Presidium Member & VNCOLD Chairman, delivered a presentation on "Disaster Risk Reduction in Vietnam".

- 2. *Executive Committee Meeting* approved the conclusion including:
  - ACECC MembershipDrive Proposal.
  - ACECC Awardees Lists:

\* *Award for Technology*: Hsueshan Tunnel (Taiwan), Bayu-Undan Development (Australia), Recovery Project from the Niigata-Chuetsu Earthquake (Japan), Cheong Gye Cheoun Restoration Project (Korea), Technology of Movable Caisson Dam (Vietnam).

\* *Award for Achievement*: Prof. Fumio Nishino (Japan), Dr. Ching Lung Liao (Taiwan), Dr. R.A.Crist (U.S.A.).

- Organizing Plan of the "4<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineering Conference in the Asian Region – CECAR4" held in Taipei (Taiwan) in June 2007.
- *CECAR 5* held in Sydney (Australia) in September 2010 according to the IEA-Australia invitation.
- Voting *Mr. Paul Mitchell* (Australia) to be next term ACECC Chairman in case of *Prof. Jenn-Chuan Chern*'s ACECC Chairman term finishing in June 2007.



14<sup>th</sup> ACECC Executive Committee Meeting delegates including Prof. Jenn-Chuan Chern (+) & Paul Mitchell (×)