

**International Committee on Irradiated Concrete  
Second Announcement First General Meeting  
Knoxville, TN, USA, 2-5 November 2015**

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Dear Colleagues,

You are cordially invited by the **Executive Committee of the International Committee on Irradiated Concrete (ICIC)** to participate in the First General Meeting of the ICIC in Knoxville, Tennessee, USA, on 2-5, November 2015.

As you may know, the ICIC was formed to provide a forum for broad technical interactions in research on the effects of irradiation on concrete used in nuclear applications, such as nuclear facilities, storage, and disposal sites, and which will contribute to advancing the current state of knowledge. Like the framework meetings held in Barcelona (March 2014) and Helsinki (October 2014), all participants will have an opportunity to present updates on their work on or related to irradiated concrete. These updates may vary from detailed discussions of new results or brief updates or summaries of their activities. And since this meeting is expected to attract additional participants, the new participants will be encouraged to present a broader discussion of their previous, current, or proposed activities on irradiated concrete. ***General Meeting Guidelines, as defined in the ICIC Charter, and restrictions on dissemination of information are listed below.***

The Closed Technical Meeting (members and invited guests) will be focused around the four Technical Areas selected by vote of the members at the conclusion of the Helsinki meeting. The TAs and the Technical Area Coordinators (TACs) (Session Chairs) are as follows:

1. **Structural Performance and Mechanistic Understanding of the Effects of Radiation on Concrete** (Y. Le Pape – ORNL, USA)
2. **Harvesting and Characterization of Service Irradiated Concrete** (M. Ordonez, ENRESA, Spain)
3. **Accelerated Irradiation Studies of Concrete & Components** (M. Koleska, RC-Rez, Czech Repub.)
4. **Characterization of Irradiated Concrete** (C. Andrade, CSIC, Spain)

**Meeting Details:**

**Meeting Web Page:** <http://web.ornl.gov/sci/psd/mst/ICICFGM/index.shtml> (Shirley Shugart, webmaster)

**Venue:** Center city (downtown), Knoxville, TN, USA. This is a short (15-20 minute) taxi ride from the airport.

**Hotel Accommodations:** Rooms are reserved at the Hilton Knoxville Hotel at 501 West Church Ave., Knoxville, TN, 37902. The special ICIC Meeting rate of \$121.00 (plus 17.25% taxes) includes one full breakfast in the Market Cafe per guest room. You must reference the group code, "**ICIC**" when making your reservation. The group rate is only available if the reservation is confirmed by **Monday, 12 October.**

<http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/K/KNXKHHF-ICIC-20151101/index.jhtml>

**Meeting Dates: 2 November 2015 – 5 November 2015**

**Meeting Deadlines:**

**Registration: 25 September 2015.**

**Hotel Reservation Special Rate: 12 October 2015**

**Meeting Outline:**

**Monday, 2 November** (afternoon/evening):

**Executive Committee Meeting (Officers and Technical Area Coordinators):**

The Executive Committee will meet to discuss issues that may need to be shared or discussed with the ICIC members (Process for accepting new members, etc.).

**Tuesday, 3 November: ICIC Closed Technical Meeting**

Technical presentations grouped into Technical Area sessions and chaired by the Technical Area Coordinators as selected at the Helsinki Framework Meeting.

**Wednesday, 4 November:**

**Travel to ORNL for tours** Concrete lab, Low Activation Materials Development and Analysis (LAMDA) labs, and the High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR). Boxed lunch provided on return trip to the Hilton Hotel

**ICIC Closed Technical Session after lunch.**

**Evening:** Social Event: Meeting Dinner sponsored by the EPRI.

**Thursday, 5 November:**

- **ICIC business meeting** to select the site of the next meeting, and officers followed by
- **Final Technical Session** including session summaries
- We also anticipate having an **Open Session Technical Session** (Participants will be able to present programs, strategies, and advances to a broader audience).
- Meeting adjourns by ~ 16:00.

**Meeting Registration: (required): Although there is no fee to attend meeting,** attendees must register to enable proper planning.

<http://web.ornl.gov/sci/psd/mst/ICICFGM/registration.shtml>

This will include:

- Your intent to participate in the closed technical sessions (Members and invited guests).
- Your intent to participate in the Open Session (**5 November 2015**)
- Preliminary title of your presentation (lead author or a coauthor). Yes; the title may be altered. The purpose is to help the organizers plan the technical sessions. (Note some invited participants will be attending as guests of the Executive Committee).
- Your intent to attend the Meeting Dinner of Wednesday 4 November
- Your intent to participate in the ORNL tour on Wednesday morning, 4 November. Since the tour requires ORNL security clearance, sufficient lead-time is needed to complete the internal paperwork.
- Dietary or special needs

*Attendance at the closed session is an implicit agreement to abide the ICIC charter.*

**Open Session Only:** Those who plan only to attend the open session on Thursday must also register to help plan the session. Attendance at the open session will be by member invitation and may include interested technical experts, researchers, managers, or sponsors.

### **Meeting Guidelines:**

**Agreement to abide by ICIC Charter:** Attendance at the closed session is an implicit agreement to abide by the ICIC charter on sharing information discussed at the meeting.

**Presentations:** Presentations should generally be 15 - 30 minutes in length to allow sufficient time for questions and discussion.

**Copies of presentations:** Please provide the Chairman or Session Chair (TACs) a pdf or power point copy of your presentation suitable for distribution to the participants either at the close of the meeting or soon after the meeting concludes. The Author is responsible for marking any slides as restricted.

### **DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION:**

**Information specifically developed or contributed by a Member or invited non-member:** Information specifically developed or contributed by a member (or invited non-member presenter as described in section 2.1.5) will not be disseminated, formally or informally, to outside bodies or individuals without the specific and explicit approval of the contributor and notification of the Executive Committee. Such information may be disseminated to non-members within an Organizational Member, but the Principal Contact must ensure that it is not disseminated further. Moreover, information discussed and disseminated at the ICIC General meetings shall be focused on technical issues intended to advance research on the effects of radiation on concrete used in nuclear applications. It should not include commercially or business sensitive information or other information that could be considered sensitive from the competition law point of view.

The proceedings of the General Meeting will consist of electronic copies of presentations and discussion summaries (prepared by the TACs) and shall be provided to all members and to all non-member presenters.

The proceedings will not be given to non-member, non-presenting attendees. Any material or information deemed to be of a restricted nature will be so identified by the contributor in advance and will not be included in the meeting record (Section 2.1.5).

**Obligation to attend the General Meetings:** If an Organizational Member is not represented at two successive ICIC General Meetings, its membership will cease pending Executive Committee review. Normal membership application may be required before further participation is possible.

**Participation in General Meetings:** Participation in General Meetings is normally limited to those members who are contributing information as an author or co-author of a presentation to be given at the meeting. With the approval of a majority of the Executive Committee Officers, this requirement may be waived. Moreover, with the approval of the Officers, a Principal Contact or a Member of the Executive Committee may invite guests to participate in a meeting without applying for membership, provided that the invited participant makes a presentation and agrees to abide by the ICIC rules regarding.

## **ICIC MEETINGS**

**General Meetings** of the ICIC will be held at intervals of approximately every 12 – 18 months. The language of the meetings will be English.

At each General Meeting, the Executive Committee will recommend the dates and location for the subsequent General Meeting to the members.

Each General Meeting will last approximately two (2) - three (3) days, one (1) – two (2) days of which typically will be devoted to technical discussions/presentations in workshop format and one (1) to two (2) days devoted to open presentations.

***Attendance at the open session will be by member invitation (with advanced notification to the Executive Committee) and may include interested technical experts, researchers, managers, or sponsors. This an opportunity for members to learn about technical developments (theory, modeling, characterization) in other fields that could have application to advancing research and understanding of the effects of radiation on concrete.***

Attendance in the “technical workshop” will include ICIC members and individuals who have unique or specialized information applicable to irradiated concrete research. The Technical Area Coordinators, in coordination of the Executive Committee, will invite these individuals provided that the invited participant makes a presentation and agrees to abide by the ICIC rules regarding confidentiality and dissemination of information (Section 3). Each presenter is required to provide a complete electronic copy of the presentation to the organizing committee for the meeting record (Section 3). In special circumstances, a Principal Contact may request a non-member attend without presentation, which also must be approved by the Officers. In this case, an attendee will not be given copies of the presentations. (Section 2.1.5)

**An Executive Committee Meeting** will normally precede each General Meeting. Additional meetings of the Executive Committee and the various Task Groups will be held on an as-needed basis.

**ICIC Charter Guidance: A copy of the approved ICIC charter is attached.**

**Questions or concerns:** Please contact the Executive Officers if you have any questions or concerns.

We look forward to seeing you in Knoxville!

On behalf of the Executive Committee,

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