



International Society for Rock Mechanics

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ISRM Fellowship

Dear Prof. Giovanni Barla,

You may know that the status of ISRM Fellow has been introduced in 2011 to recognise select individuals who have achieved outstanding accomplishments in the area of rock mechanics/rock engineering and have contributed significantly to the work of the ISRM. The title of ISRM Fellow carries a clear Society recognition, in addition to that which an individual has achieved through his or her own reputation.

I am pleased to inform you that you have been selected by the ISRM Board as one of the ISRM Fellows to be inducted in 2013. Please accept my congratulations on this honour.

Induction of ISRM Fellows, selected by the Board, takes place every two years. The first group of Fellows was inducted in 2011, in Beijing, during the 12th ISRM International Congress. The 2013 induction ceremony will take place during the ISRM International Symposium Eurock 2013, in Wroclaw, Poland, from 23 to 26 September. I do hope that you will be able to accept this honour and attend the ceremony in Wroclaw.

The ISRM Fellow title and position is a lifetime position, subject to the individual continuing as a member of ISRM in good standing. Fellows will still pay their annual ISRM member fees, but there will be no additional costs for the ISRM Fellowship. ISRM Fellows can be called upon as appropriate for ISRM activities, and would be expected to provide reasonable advice and participation where possible. Thus, the induction of ISRM Fellows creates a group of high-level experts that can provide strong support to the ISRM. New ISRM Fellows should attend in person for their induction, except in rare cases.

We will be preparing a booklet with abbreviated CVs of the new ISRM Fellows for the induction ceremony. Please could you inform me of your acceptance and send a photograph, plus a short CV of about 200 words, before the end of December.

I look forward to congratulating you in person at the induction ceremony in Wroclaw.

ISRM President 2011–2015