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History



Polskie Stowarzyszenie Geosyntetyczne - PSG

- inspired by one of IGS founders, dr J.P. Giroud at Yokohama conference 2006
- June 2007 in Warsaw first seminar was organized with intension to open Polish chapter
- Spekaers from IGS: J.P. Giroud, Alan McGown and Chris Jenner. 80 attendants.
- First official meeting of PSG founders took place in Gdansk on 1st December 2008
- 21 May 2009 roku Polskie Stowarzyszenie Geosyntetyczne was officialy registered by court (KRS)and we finilized all paper work by December 2009



Chapter activity:

- Yearly geosynthetic conference co-organizer
- Memebr of PKN (Polski Komitet Normalizacyjny)
- Member of CEN/TC189 WG1
- Member of ISO/TC221 WG2
- Member of ISO/TC221 WG6 Design with geosynthetics

Activities



- Low geosynthetic education penetration in country IGS "educate the educator" innitiative – CZ/PL/SK 23-24 June 2014
- First event in Europe after only one in Argentina 2013
- Speakers: Jorge Zornberg (confirmed), Daniele Cazzuffi (confirmed), Prof Muller Rochholz (???? not confirmed)
- Attendants: academics and researchers who do teach students

Projects in Poland realized in recent years pits geosynthetics

- Public Infrastructure spendings are driving the market and helping to develop new technologies/new applications
- UEFA soccer championship in Poland & Ukraine increased volumes of projects to be completed before May 2012.
- However, some of projects are delayed and still under realisation
- Some world record projects were realized in Poland
- Few tens of millions square meters of geosynthetics were installed



Oppotrunities for geosynthetics in PL



- Geosynthetics are rather welcome by Clients as alternatives to traditional solutions
- Market acceptance
- Good number of projects in country
- 2014-2020 EU budget spending will continue infrastructure development in country

Bariers for geosynthetics in PL



- Low geosynthetic education penetration in country IGS "educate the educator" innitiative – CZ/PL/SK 23-24 June 2014
- Acceptance for fakes
- Lack of national standard for design
- Public Procurement Law "the lowest" price approach only



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