

**Call for Abstracts, Short Courses, Workshops,
Exhibitors, and Sponsors for the
1st SLRMES Conference on Rock Mechanics for Infrastructure and Geo-
Resources Development - an ISRM Specialized Conference
Colombo, Sri Lanka, December 2 -7, 2023**



The conference venue will be around here

The Sri Lankan Rock Mechanics and Engineering Society (SLRMES) invites you to participate in the 1st SLRMES Conference on Rock Mechanics for Infrastructure and Geo-Resources Development to be held in Colombo, Sri Lanka during December 2-7, 2023. The first two days (Dec. 2 & 3) are allocated for short courses and workshops. The plenary and technical lectures of the conference are planned for the next two days (Dec. 4 & 5) and the last two days (Dec. 6 & 7) are allocated for technical and sightseeing tours.

The conference will cover advances in all areas of rock mechanics and rock engineering encompassing the fields of mining, civil, geological, and petroleum engineering, and geophysics and Hydrogeology focusing on the theme "Rock Mechanics for Infrastructure and Geo-Resources

Development". Three keynotes and 12 Session Lead Lectures are expected to be delivered to cover the state-of-the-art on several important topics. Each Technical session is expected to start with a Session Lead Lecture given by an expert on the session topic. The plenary keynotes, technical lectures, short courses, workshops, technical tours, and trade exhibition programs are planned to provide conference supporters maximum exposure and interaction with participants from universities, industry, government, and exhibitors. Visits are also planned to tourist attractions in Sri Lanka.

Participants are invited to submit 1-2-page Abstracts on any rock mechanics/engineering topic related to the aforementioned theme. The deadline to receive the abstracts is May 31, 2023. Information on the conference and procedures to submit abstracts are given on the website: www.slrmes.org

If interested in teaching a short course, conducting a workshop, being an exhibitor at the conference, or being a sponsor for the conference, please send an e-mail to the Conference Chair (which is given below) or browse the conference website.

If you plan to either make a conference presentation or attend the conference, please create an account at the conference website by using the URL: www.slrmes.org/register.php

The expected registration fees for the plenary and technical lecture days (2 days) of the conference (Dec. 4-5, 2023) are as follows:

Non-ISRM delegate: US\$ 450

ISRM delegate: US\$ 360

Student delegate: US\$ 180

Delegate residing in Sri Lanka: To be decided.

Based on the number of possible delegates attending the conference, an attempt will be made to reduce the registration fees further.

Many hotels around the expected conference venue are available to stay during the conference period at a rate in the range of US\$ 15-US\$ 65 per night. In other words, cheap accommodation is readily available. Please visit www.slrmes.org to obtain Information on the conference venue and the accommodation.

We look forward to seeing you in beautiful Sri Lanka in December 2023.



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