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1. Results of recent elections for partial renewal of 6 members of the Executive Council in 2018

The six elected members for the partial annual renewal of the Executive Council in the recent balloting by the IASS General Assembly were, in alphabetic order: Philippe BLOCK (Switzerland), Annette BOEGLE (Germany), Alberto DOMINGO (Spain), Charis GANTES (Greece), Olga POPOVIC (Denmark), Su-Duo XUE (China).

The period of their membership will be of 3 years after confirmation at the next Executive Council meeting to be held on July 15th, 2018 in Boston.

2. (Draft) Guide to Buckling Load Evaluation of Metal Reticulated Roof Structures

The guide has been uploaded to the WG 8 page in the IASS website. It is a highly valuable work carried out by members of the group and led by the sustained effort of Professor **Shiro Kato**, former chair of the WG and now co-chair. The document is now available for all IASS members in the "Publications" section of the WG 8 web page.

3. Contents of next issue of IASS Journal Vol 59, No. 1(March 2018) available at the IASS website

"**Special issue devoted to Frei Otto**". *Invited Editors: J.G. Oliva-Salinas and E. Ramm.*

Memorial Statement

- **Memorial to John V. 'Jack' Christiansen**

T. S. Sprague

Preface

- **Special Issue on Frei Otto, Promoter of Lightweight Structures.**

J.G. Oliva-Salinas and E. Ramm

Technical Papers

- **Thinking with Models for a Natural Human Architecture – Cooperation with my Father.** *C. Kanstinger*
- **Frei Otto - Architecture and Civil Engineering.** *R. Graefe*
- **The Pursuit for New Structural Forms: Eduardo Torroja and Frei Otto.** *P. Cassinello and J. A. Torroja*
- **Frei Otto – Reverberation at Schlaich Bergermann Partner.** *M. Schlaich*
- **Frei Otto – Architecture and Concrete Utopia.** *R. Barthel*
- **Form Finding Techniques of Branched Construction Developed by Frei Otto.** *N. Goldsmith*
- **Natural Structures and Structural Optimization.** *I. Lochner-Aldinger*
- **Integration Form, Structure and Acoustics: A Computational Reinterpretation of Frei Otto's Design Method and Vision.** *A. Pugnale*
- **Reflections on Frei Otto as a Promoter of Sustainable Architecture and his collaboration with Kenzo Tange and Ove Arup in 1969.** *J. G. Oliva Salinas, M. Mendoza and E. González Meza*

4. Future IASS Events

4.1 IASS Annual Symposia

IASS 2018: Creativity and Collaboration in Design

Monday, July 16 - Friday, July 20, 2018

Location: Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Boston (USA)

<http://iass2018.org>

IASS 2019: Form and Force

60th IASS Annual Symposium / Structural Membranes 2019

Monday, October 7 to Thursday, October 10, 2019.

Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel, Barcelona, Spain.

<http://congress.cimne.com/Formandforce2019/frontal/default.asp>

4.2 Other conferences and colloquia fostered by IASS

IV International Conference on Structural Engineering Education

Madrid (Spain). Wednesday, June 20 - Friday, June 22, 2018 Organised by the Spanish Structural Engineering Association (ACHE) and the Eduardo Torroja Institute for Construction Science, Spanish National Research Council (IETcc, CSIC).

<http://se-education.e-ache.com/>

VII Latin American Symposium of Tensile Structures - SLTE 2018

"The teaching of tensile structures and their role in disaster relief".

Wednesday September 12 to Friday September 14, 2018.

Ricardo Palma University, Lima, Perú.

<https://www.slte2018.com>

APCS 2018 - 12th Asian Pacific Conference on Shell and Spatial Structures

Monday, October 29 to Wednesday, October 31, 2018.

University Sains Malaysia. Penang, Malaysia.

<http://www.apcs2018.org>

The list of **future events** is continually updated on the IASS website at:

<https://iass-structures.org/Events>

A history of shell and spatial structures: The IASS Jubilee Book, is still available

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