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**NOTE: If you wish to join the IASS (or renew membership), please, visit (or login):**

[www.iass-structures.org](http://www.iass-structures.org)

**IASS 2017 Hamburg: Call for Abstracts**

**Due 15 December 2016 (but an extension may be requested/announced)**

<http://www.iass2017.org>

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**1. REPORT & PROCEEDINGS: IASS Symposium 2016**

From September 26 to 30, 2016, the annual IASS Symposium "**Spatial Structures at the 21st Century**" took place in Tokyo, Japan, with Prof. Ken'ichi Kawaguchi as the Chairman of the Organizing Committee. A resume of the Symposium may be **downloaded** from the link:

[/docs/Events/2016Symposium/IASS2016\\_Tokyo-Symposium\\_Report.pdf](#)

The proceedings of IASS 2016 are now available to members online at:

<http://www.iass-structures.org/index.cfm/proceedings.index>

Notable matters such as Honors and Awards conferred at the Symposium and decisions of the Executive Council are described below.

**2. New IASS Officers**

Professor Charis Gantes (Greece), was appointed as the new Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of the IASS, and he was newly co-opted to membership of the Executive Council. The member of Executive Council Prof. Marijke Mollaert (Belgium) was elected as new Treasurer of the Association. Another new co-opted member to the Executive Council was Dr. Catlin Mueller (USA), a co-organizer of IASS 2018 to be held in Boston, USA.

The current list of IASS officers: Executive Council, Working Bureau and Advisory Board are in:

<http://www.iass-structures.org/Organization/EC.htm>

### 3. Technical Activities

Chaired by Carlos Lázaro, the Technical Activities Committee, organized complete sessions in the recent IASS2016 Symposium in Tokyo. The WG8 will upload to the website in 2017 the "*Guide to Buckling Load Evaluation of Metal Reticulated Roof Structures*". The revised "*Guidelines for organizing IASS Symposia*" will be available in the beginning of 2017.

[http://www.iass-structures.org/docs/TAC\\_Reports/IASS\\_TAC\\_Report\\_2016.pdf](http://www.iass-structures.org/docs/TAC_Reports/IASS_TAC_Report_2016.pdf)

### 4. Torroja Medals 2016

There were two recipients: **Jack V. Christiansen (USA)** for his extraordinary career encompassing the conception, design and construction of thin-shell structures and **René Motro (France)** for his outstanding contributions to tensegrity systems and research in structural morphology, as well as for his leadership in the IASS Association as former President.

<http://www.iass-structures.org/index.cfm/page/Hist/TM.htm>

### 5. Honorary Membership 2016

The recipients of the Honorary Membership at the Tokyo Symposium were Profs. **Shiro Kato** (Japan) and **Pieter Huybers** (The Netherlands).

<http://www.iass-structures.org/index.cfm/Hist/HisHon.htm>

### 6. Tsuboi Awards 2015 Publications

The Tsuboi Award 2016 for the best paper in the four IASS Journal published in 2015 was for: J. Lienhard and J. Knippers with the paper "*Bending-Active Textile Hybrids*"

The Tsuboi Award 2016 for the best paper in the Proceedings of the previous Annual Symposium held in 2015 in Amsterdam (The Netherlands) was for K-M. M. Tam, J.R. Coleman, N.W. Fine and C.T. Mueller with the paper: "*Stress Line Additive Manufacturing (SLAM) for 2.5-D Shells*"

<http://www.iass-structures.org/index.cfm/Hist/TsA.htm>

### 7. Hangai Prizes 2016

Four young participants were given the Hangai Prize for their papers presented in a special session in Tokyo and to be published later in the 2016 December issue of the Journal of the IASS.

<http://www.iass-structures.org/index.cfm/Hist/HPr.htm>

### 8. IASS Events

#### 8.1 IASS Annual Symposia

##### **IASS 2017: Interfaces - Architecture. Engineering. Science**

Monday, September 25 - Thursday, September 28, 2017  
LOCATION: Hamburg, HafenCity University (Germany)  
<http://www.iass2017.org>

##### **IASS 2018: Creativity and Collaboration in Design**

Monday, July 16 - Friday, July 20, 2018  
LOCATION: Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Boston (USA)  
(Website in development)

## 8.2 OTHER CONFERENCES AND COLLOQUIA FOSTERED BY IASS

### [SHATIS'17 International Conference on Structural Health Assessment of Timber Structures](#)

Wednesday, September 20 - Friday, September 22, 2017  
Yildiz Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey

### [SEWC 2017-6th Structural Engineers World Congress: Architectural and Structural Design for Enriching Human Habitats](#)

Tuesday, November 14 - Friday, November 17, 2017  
LOCATION: Cancun Center Conventions & Exhibitions (Mexico)

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

<http://www.iass-structures.org/index.cfm/events.listing>

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- **A history of shell and spatial structures: The IASS Jubilee Book, is still available**
- **CONTENT:** <http://www.iass-structures.org/index.cfm/page/Hist/JB.htm>
- **ORDER FORM:** [http://www.iass-structures.org/docs/Jubilee\\_Book/Jubilee\\_Book\\_Order\\_Form.pdf](http://www.iass-structures.org/docs/Jubilee_Book/Jubilee_Book_Order_Form.pdf)