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1. The latest issue of the Journal of the IASS – Vol. 61 (2020) No. 3, September n. 205 is available on the IASS website

For IASS Members the access to a PDF of the full issue is through the [Publications Gateway](#). You can see the content by clicking [here](#). Latter on, access to the individual papers will be available also through Ingenta. ta.

2. Prof. Jan B. Obrebski Memorial

Prof. Jan B. Obrebski, outstanding engineer and researcher of spatial structures and member of the IASS Executive Council and Advisory Board, passed away recently. A memorial statement will appear in the December issue of the Journal.

3. GLOBE-Global Consensus on Sustainability in the Built Environment

The IASS has agreed to support the document GLOBE, a call for action in the area of sustainability. It has been elaborated by the Joint Committee of Structural Safety, a body created by the Liaison Committee of structural associations, whose members are the most relevant worldwide structural associations: CIB, ECCS, fib, IABSE, IASS and RILEM, all of them supporting the GLOBE. The objective is to direct the attention of the global community, politicians, industry leaders, and societal decision-makers to the critical importance of the built environment for sustainable development at global and local scales, indicating the needed actions to facilitate sustainable structures.

4. IASS-FAST TRACK

Before publication of an accepted paper in an issue of the Journal of the IASS, the author(s) can opt for the immediate pre-publication of the paper. Such pre-publication is free of charge for the author(s); but it must be previously licensed by the author(s). The paper will be automatically removed from the Fast Track area when the paper is published in a Journal issue.

Authors can ask for further information sending an email to journal@iass-structures.org

5. 2020 Executive Council meeting using Internet

Due the current pandemic situation, the IASS annual Executive Council meeting was held last September 10, 2020 using Zoom, an Internet tool. A total of 31 members attended the meeting from their respective countries, including 18 Executive Council members and 10 from the Advisory Board. The session was a success completing all the secret and public voting actions.

Among the scientific and administrative items discussed, it is relevant to mention the increasing activity in social media, promoted by the Communication Committee chaired by Sigrd Adriaenssens. The IASS is active in Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn, with plans to expand to Twitter.

6. 2021 Hangai Prize: Applications Now Open

The next round of the Hangai Prize competition is for the [IASS 2020/21](#) Symposium to be held at the University of Surrey, Guildford, UK, 23-27 August 2021 (postponed from 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic). Applications begin with the submission of a one-page abstract to the symposium upload site, with a deadline of 30 November 2020. For more information, see the [Hangai Prize](#) page on this website.

7. Future IASS Annual Symposia

7.1. Inspiring the next generation – IASS Annual Symposium and Spatial Structures Conference 2020/21. Surrey, Guildford, UK

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the 2020 IASS Symposium to be held in Guildford, UK, on August 2020, has been postponed and will now take place **from 23 to 27 August 2021**.

More information:

<https://www.surrey.ac.uk/spatial-structures-2020>.

7.2. Innovation, Sustainability and Legacy – IASS Annual Symposium and Asia-Pacific Conference on Spatial Structures (APCS), Beijing University of Technology, China

The symposium will be held on **from 24 to 28 October 2022**.

More information:

<https://iass-structures.org/event-3666532>