

# Event Report

## General Assembly and Inaugural Workshop of IPA

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Date : 15-16 February, 2007  
 Place : [The Møller Centre](#)  
 Churchill College  
 Cambridge University, UK  
 Organizer : [IPA Preparatory Committee](#)  
 Attendees : 26 invited guests and  
 6 secretariat staff  
 Programme :
 

- Formal General Assembly
- Research Presentation
- Award Ceremony
- Award Winners Presentation
- Tour of University
- Welcome Reception

It was the epoch-making moment in over 30 years history of press-in technologies that foundation of the IPA was officially resolved by various leading authorities from both academic and industrial fields of construction. 32 enthusiastic attendees gathered together in Cambridge University, which has 800 years academic history, and exchange their knowledge and dreams passionately. [Committees](#) were elected and [constitution](#), business plan and budget were decided. The most exciting event was the [1st IPA Research Grant Award ceremony](#). Winners of the research proposal competition were awarded and granted US\$100,000 in total for coming one year research activity. Result of the grant awarded researches will be presented in public at the next IPA Conference in New Orleans in September 2008.

### Formal General Assembly for Foundation of IPA



The Møller Centre



Welcome Speech  
by Prof. M. Bolton



Announcement of Prospectus of IPA  
by President A. Kitamura



Reception



Opening Remarks  
by President H. Okamura

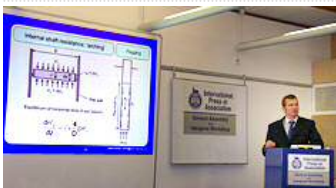


Formal General Assembly



Posters of Press-in Engineering

### » Research Presentation of Press-in Engineering



Dr David White  
Recent Research into the Behaviour of  
Pressed-in Piles



Dr Goh Teik Lim  
Press-in Piling Technologies,  
Current State of Art



Emeritus Prof. Kozo Tagaya  
How to improve Press-in Method

» Award Ceremony and Presentation



Tour of Cambridge University (Schofield Centerfuge Centre)



Welcome Reception and Dinner at St. John's College, Wordsworth Room



Prof. Bolton kindly invited all attendees to the historical St. John's College for dinner. He expressed his gratitude by honouring President Kitamura with a special silver plate inscribed the memorial IPA establishment. President Kitamura made a gift of Tosa Space Sake, a Japanese rice wine made with a batch of yeast that spent 10 days in space, as his sincere appreciation for Prof. Bolton.

Front Runners of Press-in Engineering in front of the Møller Centre

