

Event Report

9th IPA Press-in Engineering Seminar in Kochi 2016



IPA Press-in Engineering Seminar in Kochi is an annual event organized by IPA Research Committee starting from 2008. The 9th Press-in Engineering Seminar in Kochi (in short, Kochi Seminar) was held on July 12 and 13, 2016, cosponsored by Kochi Prefectural Government, Kochi Institute of Technology, and other 13 organizations.

On the first day, there were 340 participants from eight countries, attending the Seminar. Interesting four case histories using Press-in Technology were presented. The main contents of the two presentations out of the four are reproduced in this issue of IPA Newsletter. In addition, a presentation was also given by the President of Japan Bosai (meaning Disaster Protection) Platform. Welcome reception in the evening was well attended.

Site visit was arranged on the second days to observe an on-going project of the reinforcement of coastal levee against tsunami by installing a series of tubular steel piles in the levee using Silent Piler. Discussion sessions were also organized in three groups with different themes, including Group – 1: Cambridge - Giken Research Collaboration, Group – 2: Discussion on Press-in Essentials, and Group – 3: State of the Art and Future on Press-in Technology in Asian region. Some of the outcomes from the Discussion Session may be presented in the future issue of IPA Newsletter.

