

## Report

### IPA and Giken activity in Odessa, Ukraine

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On 1-3 of June 2016 there was annual International Exhibition/Conference INTERTRANSPORT 2016 in one of the largest Ukrainian city and sea port – Odessa (population is more than 1 mln). One of the directions of activity of this event was, as usual, coastal and port construction and reconstruction. Leading Ukrainian and European companies in this sphere (contractors, designers, consultants) as well as their potential customers (ports authorities, local administrations, etc.) were presented at the Exhibition/Conference.

Among new comers of INTERTRANSPORT we should note International Press-In Association and Giken Ltd; they contributed to both Exhibition and Conference. At the exhibition booth of Giken Ltd one could find not only booklets of Giken describing practical applications of Press-In technologies and equipment but also IPA brochures "Implant Structure" devoted to principles of Construction Revolution and philosophy of Press-In approach. These brochures "Implant Structure" were published not only in English but also in Ukrainian and Russian languages and were in good demand and in great favour among attendees. Interest of academician and researchers was attracted also by scientific publications of IPA (proceedings of IPA international workshops and others).

There were a lot of interesting contacts at the Giken/IPA booth. Local professionals used this opportunity to obtain objective and up-to-date information about peculiarities of Giken machines and technologies regarding construction conditions of Ukraine and development of Ukrainian construction market.

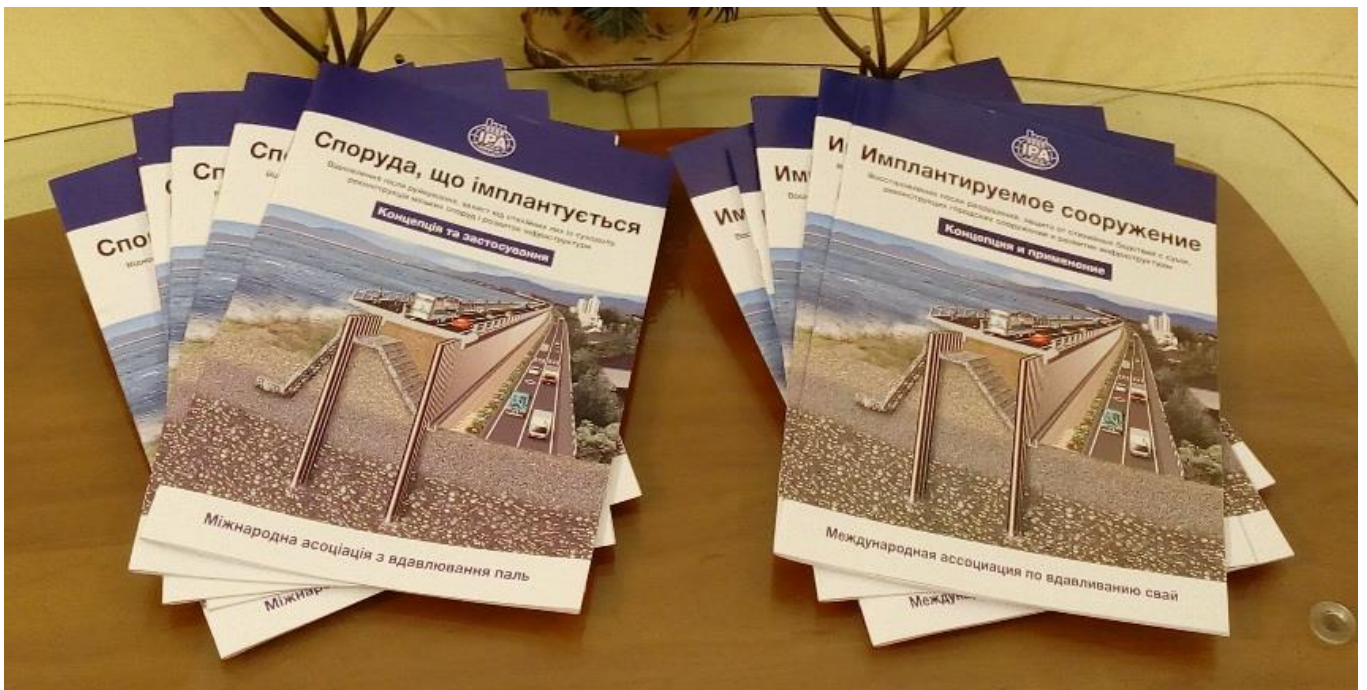




At the Conference a special “Press-In” session was arranged to provide acquaintance of Ukrainian construction-related people with IPA activity and Giken technologies. At the mentioned specialized session two presentations were delivered. The first one “Implant Structure: Innovative Approaches and Construction Philosophy” was proposed by Professor, Dr. Michael Doubrovsky (International Press-In Association, Odessa National Maritime University). The second presentation “Silent Piling Technologies & Implant Foundations” was carried out by Mr. Tsunenobu Nozaki (Giken Ltd). “Press-In” special session was attended by number of professionals (designers, contractors, researchers) and academicians, scientists as well as by students (by the way, there are 14 universities in Odessa-city). Both presentations had a great success; not only Conference Hall but also stairs leading to the hall were crowded by attendees during presentations and subsequent discussions and considerations.

So it’s possible to conclude that the first IPA/Giken appearance in Ukraine was rather successful and prospective. We can expect that the first acquaintance with Press-In technology and principles will be developed into wide application of silent pilers in number of coming projects (coastal zones and ports development, urban construction, slopes stabilization, etc.).

Appropriately to point out that it is rather symbolic to consider IPA/Giken coming to Ukraine just after recent official visit of Ukrainian President to Japan. Mr. President has announced that year of 2017 will be the Year of Japan in Ukraine. So we hope that Press-In technologies may be successfully applied in Ukraine on the mutually advantageous basis.



↑ Implant Structure; Ukraine and Russian version