

24th Professor Chin Fung Kee Memorial Lecture: 15th Nov 2014

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Prof. Dr. Brian Simpson delivered the 24th Professor Chin Fung Kee Memorial Lecture on the subject “Seeking the Code of the Ground” at Professor Chin Fung Kee Auditorium, Wisma IEM. The lecture was jointly organized by The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia and The Engineering Alumni Association of the University of Malaya, and was also supported by the Institution of Civil Engineers (Malaysian Chapter). The lecture was attended by 130 engineers and students. The main sponsor of this year’s lecture was Arup Jururunding (M) Sdn. Bhd. Prof. Simpson explained that there are three issues dealing with the ground: deformation, water and safety. He explained the concepts of stress and strain, reminding the audience that strain is more important with regards to interaction with structure. He added that geotechnical engineers must be aware and beware of the forces of water. Prof. Simpson reminded that engineers must ensure that safety is paramount and should be achieved with economy. He made many references to his work in the Eurocode 7 and illustrated these guiding principles using many case histories from all over the world. The lecture paper will be published in Jan 2015.



Prof. Simpson and audience during 24th Professor Chin Fung Kee Memorial Lecture



Ir. Dr. Chan S.F. presents a Memento and Certificate of Appreciation to Prof. Simpson