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**1. Earthquake Engineering Open House at NICEE during Dec 14 - 18, 2009**

The annual Earthquake Engineering Open House of NICEE is scheduled to be held at IIT Kanpur during Dec 14 - 18, 2009. The Open House is held with the aim to enable postgraduate students to conduct literature survey for their thesis related to earthquake engineering. The Open House also welcomes professional engineers and architects to help them familiarize themselves with enormous literature available at NICEE on design and construction of safe habitat. The last date of application is 31 Oct 2009. For further details please visit [http://www.nicee.org/Open\\_House/](http://www.nicee.org/Open_House/)

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**2. EUROCODE 8 Workshop - Change in venue**

The venue of the EUROCODE 8 Workshop which is scheduled to be held during September 17-19, 2009 has been changed. The address of new venue is

Convention Centre  
SCOPE Complex  
CGO Complex  
7, Lodhi Road  
New Delhi - 110 003

**3. Oriya Translation of IAEE Guidelines for Earthquake Resistant Non-Engineered Construction**

NICEE is pleased to release this special in-house publication in Oriya, which was originally available from the International Association for Earthquake Engineering

(IAEE), Tokyo, Japan. This book is made available in the local language so that the local engineers and Oriya speaking artisans of the country can immediately enforce the principles described in this book while making earthquake-resistant constructions in their neighbourhood. To obtain a hard copy of the same please contact, M/s Panchasakha Prakasan, Sutahat, Cuttack - 1, Mobile - 09937088289. The guidelines can be downloaded free of charge from the link [http://www.nicee.org/IAEE\\_Oriya.php](http://www.nicee.org/IAEE_Oriya.php)

#### **4. Seismic Masonry Guide for Masonry Buildings**

The seismic masonry guide for masonry buildings which has been authored by Dr. Svetlana Brzev is available for free download from the website <http://www.ccmpa.ca/DownloadSeismic.asp> . Although it has been written as specific to Canadian requirements, but it is surely a good read for all in this field.

#### **5. International Conference for Highrise Towers and Tall Buildings 2010 during April 14-16, 2010, Munich, Germany**

An international conference for Highrise Towers and Tall Buildings is schedule to be held during April 14-16, 2010 at Munich, Germany. The conference is aimed at providing opportunity to share new ideas, experiences and knowledge within the field of design and construction of safe and sustainable highrise structures. The important dates are as follows.

Submission of abstracts - October 15, 2009  
Acceptance of abstracts - November 15, 2009  
Submission of papers - January 15, 2010  
Acceptance of papers - February 15, 2010

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#### **6. 2009 SP Prize for Excellence in the Practice of Geotechnical Engineering**

SP FOUNDATION invites nominations worldwide, for the above Prize, from young engineers/ scientists, 45 years or younger. The award consists of cash prize of US \$ 1100, and a plaque. The last date of nominations is September 30, 2009. For further details please visit [www.yoga10.org](http://www.yoga10.org)

#### **7. Interesting article on prediction of earthquakes**

An interesting article has been published in The New York Times. The same can be read using the link [http://www.nytimes.com/2009/04/12/opinion/12hough.html?\\_r=1](http://www.nytimes.com/2009/04/12/opinion/12hough.html?_r=1)

#### **8. Newsletter of Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI), USA**

The August 2009 issue of the *EERI Newsletter* is now available online at:

<http://www.eeri.org/site/news/newsletter>

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