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Preface



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8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Asian and Pacific Coasts (APAC 2015) took place at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, Chennai, between 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015. It was the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of this conference, which is traditionally organized by Department of Ocean Engineering, IIT madras and APAC council. APAC is jointly supported by the Chinese Ocean Engineering Society (COES), the Coastal Engineering Committee of the Japan Society of Civil Engineers (JSCE), and the Korean Society of Coastal and Ocean Engineers (KSCOE). A wide range of organizations from Asian and Pacific countries are its active participants or sponsors. APAC 2015 will extend the series of biennial conference the first one being held in Dalian, China in 2001 by the name of Asian and Pacific Coastal Engineering (APACE). To reflect a broader scope and relevance to the region, the conference was renamed to Asian and Pacific Coasts (APAC). Conferences have acted as a welcome forum to report and discuss the latest advancements in Coastal, Ocean and Port Engineering and as such, have always been highly valued by all participants.

This issue of Procedia Engineering contains 137 Papers presented in Chennai at the 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Asian and Pacific Coasts. All the papers reviewed in these proceedings have been reviewed by experts in the procedure of blind peer review, and subsequently revised by the authors in order to include the reviewers' remarks and suggestions and thus improve the quality of the contribution.

We would like to thank the members of the APAC Council, ISC and the reviewers, who greatly contributed to the improvement of the quality of papers, providing constructive critical comments, corrections and suggestions to the authors. Finally, we wish to thank all the authors who submitted papers, making this conference possible. It is the quality of their contributions and presentations that really has made this conference as success.

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