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MECOM 2012
X Argentine Congress on Computational Mechanics

The beautiful city of Salta, in the north-western Argentine, held the X Argentine Congress on Computational Mechanics (MECOM 2012) from 13 to 16 November 2012. It was organized by the Faculty of Engineering of the National University of Salta. The organizing committee was chaired by Liz G. Nallim and Mario W. E. Toledo, while the Scientific Committee was chaired by Alberto Cardona.

Invited lecturers for this congress were: Sergio Idelsohn (CIMNE, España; CIMEC-INTEC, Argentina); Eugenio Oñate (CIMNE-UPC, España); Raul Feijoo (LNCC/CNPq, Brasil); Miguel Cerrolaza (UCV, Venezuela); Sergio Oller (CIMNE-UPC, España-Argentina); Tayfun Tezduyar (Rice University, USA); Mario Storti (INTEC-CONICET-UNL, Argentina); Rainald Löhner (George Mason University, USA).

More than 300 people attend the Congress. Full length papers were submitted to a review process prior to publication. From them, 250 papers were accepted and included in the XXXI Volume of the AMCA Series "Mecánica Computacional", edited by A. Cardona, P. Kohan, R. Quinteros and M. Storti. The papers at "Mecánica Computacional" are publicly available at the website:
<http://www.cimec.org.ar/ojs/inex.php/mc/issue/archive> .

A special session was devoted to undergraduate students, with awards for the best posters. The first award was for Nicolás Guillén from the National University of Cordoba, while the second one went to Augusto Romero from the National Technological University, Regional Faculty of Cordoba.

Other events took place in this week, together with MECOM 2012:

- the XXX International Meeting of the CIMNE Classrooms Network;
- the Third Meeting of Users of OpenFOAM in Argentina;
- and an information meeting of the National System of HPC (SNCAD) of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Productive Innovation of Argentina.

Homage to Prof. Sergio Idelsohn in his 65th Birthday

MECOM 2012 gave frame to a reconnaissance of the Argentine community of Computational Mechanics to Sergio Idelsohn for his 65th anniversary. In fact, Thursday 15th, the day of the congress banquet, was Sergio's birthday.

Figure 1:
Special Session devoted to Sergio Idelsohn, from left to right: G. Buscaglia, P. Jacovkis, O. Allix, S. Idelsohn, J.C. Heinrich, E. Oñate, N. Nigro and R. Lohner



The footprint left by Sergio in the Computational Mechanics in Argentina is huge. He created the International Center of Computational Methods in Engineering (CIMEC) and was one of the promoters, and for many years president of AMCA.

He gave the Mecom 2012 opening plenary lecture, and there was a special session devoted to his contributions. He received expressions of affection from his friends and disciples. ●

Figure 2:
Participants Mecom 2012



AMCA Awards 2012

The AMCA Awards 2012 were granted during the Congress Banquet of MECOM 2012.

The award for Young Researchers was granted to **Rodrigo Paz** and to **Lisandro Dalcin**, from the CIMEC, Argentina. **Mario Storti**, from CIMEC, Argentina, received the award for Scientific, Professional and Teaching Career. The award to the International Scientific Career, was for **Tayfun Tezduyar**, from the Rice University, USA.

The jury for the AMCA Awards 2012 was integrated by: E. Dvorkin, R. Löhner, G. Marshall, X. Oliver, P. Sanchez, J. Signorelli and V. Sonzogni. ●



Figure 3:
AMCA Award 2012 for
Young Researcher:
Rodrigo Paz



Figure 3:
AMCA Award 2012 for
Young Researcher:
Lisandro Dalcin



Figure 3:
AMCA Award 2012 for
Senior Researcher:
Mario Storti



Figure 3:
AMCA Award 2012 for
International Researcher:
Tayfun Tezduyar

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XX Congress on Numerical Methods and their Applications **Mendoza, Argentina, 18 - 22 November 2013**

The Argentine Association for Computational Mechanics (AMCA) announces the XX Congress on Numerical Methods and their Applications, which will be held in Mendoza, Argentina, organized by the National Technological University of Mendoza.

Mendoza is a beautiful city, in the mid-western Argentina, land of high mountains (like the Aconcagua Mount) and fine wines.

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