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The 2026 ISRM International Symposium

14th Asian Rock Mechanics Symposium

November 22-27, 2026 Fukuoka, JAPAN

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Fukuoka 2026

**Rock Mechanics for
the Next Generation**

– Innovations, Sustainability, and Resilience –

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Aim of Symposium

In recent years, various global issues have become significant social problems worldwide. These include climate change represented by global warming, the devastating impact of natural disasters, the emergence of new infectious diseases such as the COVID-19 pandemic, and international conflicts that have a profound effect on the world. The world is currently experiencing a period of rapid change. In the field of rock mechanics, we have contributed to the construction of social infrastructure such as dams, tunnels, long-span bridges across straits, underground power plants, and energy storage caverns, as well as resource and energy development, since the mid-1900s. Furthermore, through fundamental research, we have contributed to the scientific advancement of rock mechanics. However, despite the various recent social changes mentioned above, the field of rock mechanics lacks new goals in the frontier areas. The focus of research remains on the development of technology that continuously improves existing techniques, such as the maintenance and management of aging social infrastructure in a mature society. Those of us involved in rock mechanics face a significant crossroads.

Therefore, this symposium aims to reconsider global issues related to rock mechanics, focusing on keywords such as innovation, sustainability, and resilience, with the main theme of "How rock mechanics can contribute." Although many previous research topics in rock mechanics have nurtured the foundation and applications for solving these global issues, this symposium seeks a wide range of new research achievements for the next generation. Furthermore, through workshops and seminars related to these issues, we are considering creating opportunities to establish new collaboration structures and international networks that transcend regions and generations.

Prof. Yasuhiro MITANI, Chair of the Organizing Committee

Topics

Mitigation of Geo-hazards

Earthquakes and Rock Dynamics, Risk and Hazard Management, Disaster Mitigation, and Slope Stability

Environmental Issues

Global Warming, Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage, Radioactive Waste Disposal, and THMC Coupling

Energy Resources

Mining Engineering, Petroleum Engineering, Geothermal Power Generation, and Reservoir Engineering

New Technologies and Fundamental Aspects

Rock Properties and Site Characterization, Geophysical Prospecting and Testing Methods, Tunnels and Underground Spaces, Maintenance and Life Cycle Costs, and Field Measurements and Back Analysis



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Program Outline (tentative)

Sun Nov. 22 2026	Mon Nov. 23 2026	Tue Nov. 24 2026	Wed Nov. 25 2026	Thu Nov. 26 2026	Fri Nov. 27 2026
Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	
Workshop Short Course	Workshop Short Course	Opening Ceremony Keynote Lecture Oral Sessions Poster Session	Keynote Lecture Oral Sessions Poster Session	Keynote Lecture Oral Sessions Poster Session Closing Ceremony	Technical Excursion
		Exhibition	Exhibition	Exhibition	
	Welcome Reception		Banquet		

Important Dates

Abstract Submission Deadline	December 19, 2025
Notification of Abstract Acceptance	January 31, 2026
Full Paper Submission Deadline	April 30, 2026
Notification of Paper Acceptance	May 31, 2026



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