

Message from the Honorary Editor

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I have known and respected Dr. Zou for a number of years and I commend him on his efforts to establish a new International Journal on Geohazards and Environment.

In recent years the field of geotechnical engineering has developed rapidly in existing and developing countries where a great variety of geotechnical materials and climatic conditions exist. This will require a wide range of new design, construction and maintenance conditions to be developed.

At the same time, natural disasters such as earthquakes, land slides, sinkholes, etc. occurred frequently around the world. These events may look different from the ground instabilities encountered in geotechnical engineering. They are however the types of instabilities leading to ground failure in various scales. Hopefully people working in these two fields can learn from each other and build synergy in this respect.

I look forward to reading this journal and wish it every success.

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