



Association of Civil Engineering Departments

29<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Dear Head of Department/ ACED Member,

The annual ACED Conference will take place this year on the Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> and Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2014 at the University of the West of Scotland, Paisley Campus. This is the highlight of the calendar for the Association as we bring together colleagues from all Civil Engineering Departments to discuss issues of interest and concern. The Conference includes a full day of presentations and discussion on the 30<sup>th</sup>, followed by dinner, and a half day on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

The ACED Committee is keen to ensure the widest possible participation by colleagues in this important event and in particular to encourage colleagues who have not participated before to join us this year and bring their experience to the discussions.

As in previous years there is a reduction available for two registrations from the same Department/School, to encourage more colleagues to participate in the Conference. Single registration is £180, and double is £260. The registration includes attendance at all sessions and dinner on the evening of the 30<sup>th</sup>, which will be held at Paisley Abbey.

Accommodation for the Conference has been reserved at the Glynhill Hotel which is 2 miles from the Conference venue at the Paisley Campus. This is on a first come first served basis, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Rooms at the Glynhill will be held until 15<sup>th</sup> October, at which time they will be released back to the hotel for general sale.

Further details, including registration, booking accommodation, and draft Conference Programme, are available from the ACED Conference website at [www.uws.ac.uk/ACED2014](http://www.uws.ac.uk/ACED2014)

A key discussion topic at the Conference will be the management and operation of undergraduate civil engineering research projects. As part of this we are collecting information on how they are run, and this will be discussed at the Conference. I would be grateful if you could ask the academic who looks after your undergraduate civil engineering research projects to complete [this five minute survey](#).

On behalf of the ACED Committee I look forward to welcoming yourself or colleagues from your Department to the Conference.

Regards,

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