**The 3rd International Workshop on Jointless Bridges**

**Workshop Dates:** May 31-June 3, 2017

**Hosting Institute:**

International Association of Jointless Bridges (IAJB)

**Organizers:**

International Association of Jointless Bridges (IAJB)

University of Washington (UW)

Fu Zhou University (FZU)

International Association of Bridge Earthquake Engineering (IABEE).

**Conference Location:**

1410 NE Campus Parkway, Box 355852, Seattle, Washington State, USA

**Notification**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

There are very limited applications of jointless bridges (JBs) in China and other developing countries. Even there is no “National” design code or guide for JBs in the US and European countries, many JBs were constructed in recent years. This opens numerous research opportunities, and requires new ideas and experiences to be shared in improving safety and performance of JBs.

On March 11-13, 2014, the 1st international workshop on jointless bridges was successfully held in Fuzhou, Fujian, China. Based on many discussions of unsolved problems on jointless bridges in the workshop, all participants felt that it is very necessary to form an international association on jointless bridges to focus on the research and knowledge-exchange. As a result on June 2-4, 2015, a mini workshop on integral abutment and jointless bridges was again successfully held in Fuzhou University. The full name of the new association was named as International Association of Jointless Bridges (IAJB) and the administrative work are to be managed by Fuzhou University.

With a large demand in promoting the development of application and research on jointless bridges, the 3rd international workshop on jointless bridges will be held on May 31-June 3, 2017 in Seattle, Washington State, USA, and is now calling for papers.

**2. MEETING AGENDA**

May 30 (Monday) Arrival of Seattle and Registration;

May 31(Tuesday) Site visits of Washington State DOT Jointless Bridge and ABC Bridges;

June 1(Wednesday) Workshop meeting (Presentation and Tech Exchanges);

June 2 (Thursday) IAJB Committee meeting - Discuss the progress and action items from last year (Morning);

 Seattle City Technical Study Tour and Univ. of Washington Civil Eng. Lab. Study Tour (Afternoon);

June 3(Friday) Departure from Seattle (Those who are interested in participating in International Bridge Conference will fly to Washington, DC from June 4-8, and others will fly back to China).

**3. IMPORTANT DATES**

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| Acknowledgement of Notification | Feb. 21, 2017 |
| Acknowledgement of Invitation Letter | Feb. 28, 2017 |
| Pre-registration Due | April 15, 2017 |
| Acknowledgement of Presentation | April. 30, 2017 |
| Workshop | May 31-June 3, 2017 |

**4. REGISTRATION FEE**

Delegate: US dollar 700/Chinese RMB 4800 (US dollar 800/ Chinese RMB 5500 after May 15, 2017)

Student: US dollar 350/Chinese RMB 2400 (US dollar 400/ Chinese RMB 2750 after May 15, 2017)

Companion: US dollar 350/Chinese RMB 2400 (including all meals)

The conference registration fee covers attendance, proceedings in CD, coffee breaks and refreshments, conference banquet and welcome reception. Accompanying person will not receive the proceedings.

**5. INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE**

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**7. MEETING VENUE**

The conference venue locates in University of Washington, HUB meeting center *depts.*,1410 NE Campus Parkway, Box 355852, Seattle WA, USA.

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