



# 2006-2007



*March Meeting Notice*

## Minnesota Geotechnical Society and American Society of Civil Engineers

**Suzanne Lacasse, PhD, Managing Director – Norwegian Geotechnical Institute will present:**

### **Geotechnical Engineering at the Dawn of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Millenium**

Our profession operates in unprecedented and fast-changing global markets. We face new challenges, including impact of new sciences and information technology, requirements for environmentally responsible solutions, new methods for design and education and greater expectations from our customers. Our role consists of "turning the forces of Nature to the benefit of mankind". There is a unique role for geotechnical engineers to play in the development of society, not as technicians alone, but as well-rounded professionals working in a well-defined environment. Exciting technical challenges lie in front of us in e.g. environmental engineering, foundation design, geodynamics and geophysics, offshore installations, prediction and mitigation of natural hazards and the development and use of underground space. Examples will be given. Our profession has also other challenges: integrating effectively the disciplines geology - geophysics - geotechnical engineering, speaking a language that is adapted to the ones listening and providing excitement for our followers.

**Date:** Thursday, March 15, 2007

**Location:** Continuing Education and Conference Center (formerly Earle Brown Continuing Education Center), 1890 Buford Avenue, on the St. Paul Campus of the University of Minnesota.

[Directions](#)

**Time: 6:00 p.m.** Reception Sponsored by Hayward Baker, Inc.

**6:45 p.m.** Dinner – Buffet style

**7:45 p.m.** Meeting

**8:00 p.m.** Presentation –Suzanne Lacasse – Norwegian Geotechnical Institute

(One professional development hour toward continuing education requirements for Professional Engineers is available).

**Cost:** \$25.00 members, \$30.00 non-members, and \$5.00 Full-time students, payable to MGS at the door.

**Reservations:** Requested by 12 Noon, Friday, March 9, 2007.

Please register via the website at <http://www.mngeotechnicalsociety.com/eventsmpls.asp>  
or call Greg Norris to indicate your dinner selection.

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