Integrated Fire Engineering and Response



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## To all who attended the Prague conference:

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for coming to Application of Structural Fire Engineering Conference in Prague, on 29 April 2011.

It was, necessarily, a fast-moving event. Because of COST TU0904's budgetary problems in the current year we were forced to concentrate the event into a single day and a single session this time.

We have used the rather unusual format twice now, in 2009 and 2011, of combining traditional conference proceedings with universal poster presentation and a brief oral overview. Personally I think this works well, particularly in allowing our young researchers to practise a range of presentation skills, and in producing high-quality posters which can be used for dissemination of work after the conference. Both Frantisek and I would like to provide a greater opportunity for indepth discussion at future conferences, the next opportunity being the COST TU0904 Conference in 2013, by making space for longer and more formal poster sessions within a more relaxed schedule.

Thank you for your great collection of papers, posters and presentations, and for participating so enthusiastically in the work and play of the conference. All contributions are published on the web at http://fire.fsv.cvut.cz/ASFE/index.htm, together with the group photos – from which they can all be downloaded.

The schedule of the COST Action TU0904 (*Integrated Fire Engineering and Response*) over the next 3 years also has a link on these web-pages.

Best wishes

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