UCA of SME 2017 Cutting Edge Conference

Advances in Tunneling Technology

The Society for Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration (SME) is pleased to announce the Sixth Annual Cutting Edge Conference, hosted by the Underground Construction Association of SME (UCA of SME) and North American Tunneling Journal, November 13-15, 2017, at The Renaissance Seattle in Seattle, WA.

“This exciting conference is one of the many ways UCA of SME promotes responsible development and use of underground space and facilities,” said SME Executive Director David L. Kanagy. “In addition to the top-notch keynote and technical sessions, the conference location provides a unique opportunity for attendees to tour North America’s most talked about project, the SR 99 Tunnel.”

The 2017 Cutting Edge Conference will kick off with an outstanding Keynote Session, “Pushing the Innovation Envelope.” This dynamic conference will provide tunneling professionals with a unique platform to focus on current advances in tunneling technology.

Technical sessions include:
- Conference Opening & Keynote Sessions
- BIM/VDC/New Technologies for the Underground
- Advancements & Success – Alaskan Way SR 99 Tunnel
- Panel Session - Risk Management on Tunneling Projects
- Advancements in TBM Technology & Tunnel Safety
- Advancements in Materials, Tunnel Linings & Rehab
- West Coast Projects Update
- Single Bore Transit Tunnels
- Panel Session – Advancements in Tunneling Technology: Towards Zero Settlement

Attendees who register prior to October 16 will receive the discounted registration rate and gain access to the latest trends and techniques being used in tunneling projects in the Seattle area and around the world. For more information, visit www.ucaofsmecuttingedge.com.

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