George A. Fox Conference puts spotlight on tunneling in populated areas

Underground tunneling professionals aim for New York

Hosted by the Underground Construction Association of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration Inc. (UCA of SME), the 2018 George A. Fox Conference is one of the most engaging and thought-provoking conferences in the tunneling industry. This one-day event will be held Tuesday, January 23 at the Graduate Center on the campus of City University in New York, NY.

The mission of the UCA of SME is to promote the responsible development and use of underground space and facilities. The George A. Fox Conference is legendary for its program excellence where industry professionals learn from their peers about the challenges and the strategies for tunneling in populated areas. Keynote speaker Giuseppe Quarta, Executive Vice President, Lane Construction Corporation, will present on managing design and construction of the Panama Canal Expansion.

Featured presentations include:
- Innovations in Financing Complex Infrastructure Projects
- Construction/Logistical Challenges: Brenner Base Tunnel (Austria-Italy)
- P3 Construction: Elizabeth River (Midtown) Tunnels, VA
- Unique Construction Challenges of Fixing the Leak, Rondout West Branch Tunnel, Roseton, NY
- Managing Design/Construction, Second Avenue Subway, New York City

This conference is named in honor of George A. Fox, an engineer who played leading roles in the planning, design and management of 70 major public works projects valued in excess of $61 billion. His crowning achievement was his engineering and construction work for New York City’s Third Water Tunnel – the largest capital construction project in the City’s history and the largest tunneling project in North America. Visit www.georgefoxconference.com/.

UCA of SME is dedicated to provide the best professional products available to the industry through Tunneling & Underground Construction magazine, the George A. Fox Conference, The North American Tunneling Conference, and the North American Tunnel Demand Forecast. For more information on UCA of SME, visit www.smenet.org/uca.

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