

Short Biosketch of Zdeněk P. Bažant

Born and educated in Prague (Ph.D. 1963), Bažant joined Northwestern University in 1969, became Professor in 1973, and served as Director of Center for Geomaterials (1981-87). Since 1990 he has been W.P. Murphy Professor of Civil Eng. and Materials Science and since 2002 simultaneously McCormick Institute Professor. He was inducted to the US National Academy of Sciences, US National Academy of Engrg., Am. Acad. of Arts & Sciences, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Italian National Academy (dei Lincei, Rome), Spanish Acad. of Sciences, Istituto Lombardo (Milan), Acad. of Engrg. of Czech Rep. and Eur. Acad. of Sci. & Arts; served as Editor of ASCE J. of Engrg. Mechanics, and is Regional Editor of Int. J. of Fracture; was president of Soc. of Engrg. Science, founding president of IA-FRAMCOS and IA-CONCREEP; Division Director in IA-SMiRT; member of US Nat. Comm. on Theor. & Appl. Mech.; and chaired many committees in ASCE, RILEM, ACI, SES and IA-SMiRT. He is an Illinois Registered Struct. Engineer. Among his honors: 6 honorary doctorates (ČVUT Prague, UC Boulder, Politecnico di Milano, TU Karlsruhe, INSA Lyon, TU Vienna); Hon.Mem. ASCE; SES Prager Medal; ASME Warner Medal and Nádai Medal; ASCE von Kármán Medal; Newmark Medal, Lifetime Achievement Award, Croes Medal, Huber Prize and TY Lin Award; W.Exner Medal, Austria Gov. Industry Assoc.; RILEM L'Hermite Medal; Am. Ceramic Soc. Roy Award; Torroja Medal (Spain); Šolín, Bažant (Sr.) & Stodola Medals (Czech Rep., Slovakia); Medal of Czech Soc. for Mech.; IACMAG Outstanding Contrib. Award; ICOSSAR Award; SEAOL Meritorious Paper; Best Engrg. Book of the Year (SAP); and Guggenheim, NATO, Ford, Humboldt, JSPS & Kajima Fellowships. Honored by Special Issues of Int. J. of Solids & Structures and Int. J. of Fracture, and by 60th and 70th birthday workshops & Proc. He authored 6 books (Scaling of Structural Strength, Inelastic Analysis, Fracture and Size Effect, Stability of Structures, Concrete at High Temperature, and Concrete Creep) and many papers. With the H-index of 43 and >9300 journal citations, he is one of the original top 100 ISI Highly Cited Scientists in Engrg.; www.ISIhighlycited.com.

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