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Member Section

W099 - Safety and Health in Construction

In Memoriam: Jimmie W. Hinze



Following a considerable period of illness, Jimmie Hinze died on 12th September 2013.

In 2012 at its international conference in Singapore, CIB Working Commission W099 – Safety and Health in Construction was proud to recognize Dr. Jimmie W. Hinze, Professor, University of Florida, for his exceptional and longstanding contributions to CIB W099 and the international construction community. In particular, CIB W099 acknowledged Dr. Hinze for his sustained active involvement in CIB W099 and his extraordinary and vast contributions through research, scholarship, teaching, and service in the area of construction worker safety and health.

Dr. Hinze's involvement in CIB W099 began as one of the founding members of the Commission in 1995 and continued up until his death with an active role in all of the Commission's activities. He contributed as a conference organizer, scientific and technical committee member, paper reviewer, or presenter in all of the Commission's international conferences since the first conference in 1996. In 2008 he hosted the CIB W099 International Conference on the Evolution of and Directions in Construction Safety and Health, in Gainesville, Florida. Following the conference, he successfully co-edited and shepherded a special issue of the journal Safety Science containing selected papers from the conference. His name appears as a contributor on most, if not all, of CIB W099's publications.

Dr. Hinze was known internationally for his research in construction safety and health and his continued efforts in the pursuit of improving worker safety on construction sites. His publication record is remarkable, including approximately 75 journal papers, 65 papers in conference proceedings, 45 non-refereed papers in trade journals, and authorship/editorship of 8 books and book chapters. His research has pioneered our understanding of construction safety and health management through all levels in a construction firm, across all parties to a construction project, and for the many different safety and health hazards to which construction workers are exposed. Dr. Hinze's influence on, and pursuit of, improving construction safety and health has undoubtedly led to fewer worker injuries and fatalities throughout the world.

He will be greatly missed by family, friends and colleagues all over the world.