

# PILING 2020

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## Newsletter No.4 – January 2020

Welcome to the fourth newsletter of the Piling 2020 Conference.

*The Piling 2020 Conference Organising Committee*

### More than 80 papers submitted to Piling 2020

There has been a great response to the call for papers, which is now closed. More than 80 papers were submitted. These papers will now be subject to peer review and authors will be notified of paper acceptance or rejection in April 2020.

The submitted papers cover major themes including: design of piles and embedded walls; materials and temporary works; methods of construction; piling research; instrumentation; sustainability; geological hazards; digital and future issues; and case histories.

### First Piling 2020 Sponsors and Exhibitors announced

The Piling 2020 Conference is pleased to announce the first group of Sponsors and Exhibitors.

- Tier 2 sponsors: **SOCOTEC**
- Tier 3 sponsors: **Cementation Skanska, Huesker**
- Other sponsors: **Bachy Soletanche, BAM Ritchies, Bauer Technologies, John Lawrie Tubulars**
- Exhibitors: **Aarsleff Ground Engineering Segment, Bachy Soletanche, Bauer Equipment UK, Huesker, T.H.E Plastic Piling Company**

Some sponsorship and exhibition opportunities are still available, please contact [debbie@jocemarketing.co.uk](mailto:debbie@jocemarketing.co.uk)

An up to date list of sponsors and exhibitors can be found here <https://www.piling2020.org/about/sponsors>

### Piling 2020 Keynote Speakers and Rapporteur announced

The Piling 2020 Conference is pleased to announce the following speakers.

**Keynote speaker – Steve Hadley.** Steve is Managing Director of Central Piling and will be Chair of the Federation of Piling Specialists from April 2020.

**Keynote Speaker – Professor Byron Byrne.** Byron is Professor of Engineering Science and Ørsted / Royal Academy of Engineering Research Chair in Advanced Geotechnical Design at the University of Oxford.

**Rapporteur – Dr Martin Pedley.** Martin is Managing Director of GSS Piling.



15 –16 September 2020, Durham

## **The Conference**

The British Geotechnical Association (BGA) with support from the Federation of Piling Specialists (FPS) will be hosting a major international conference on Piling in Durham on 15 and 16 September 2020. This follows on from the highly successful Chalk 2018 conference organised by the BGA and is the second of a series of biennial conferences that the BGA intend to organize.

There has not been a conference related specifically to piling for a number of years but recently there have been many technical developments in the field related to offshore and onshore projects namely the development of offshore wind farms and major infrastructure projects.

With the amount of work currently underway, it is appropriate to focus on this topic and to bring together the knowledge and experience gained in recent years. We are looking to obtain input from researchers and practitioners with the aim of sharing their experiences to develop new and novel solutions.

In addition to conference papers (which will be published in formal proceedings), there will be a series of authoritative keynote lectures on important aspects of Piling. There will also be a conference dinner in the conference programme.

Sponsorship and exhibition opportunities are still available, please contact us at [debbie@joocemarketing.co.uk](mailto:debbie@joocemarketing.co.uk)

## **Conference Organising Committee:**

**Chairman:** Kelvin Higgins (Geotechnical Consulting Group)

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Dr Martin Preene (Preene Groundwater Consulting)

**Conference website: [www.piling2020.org](http://www.piling2020.org)**