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RECOMMENDATION LETTER

The Russian national group of IAEG would like to nominate **Ass. Prof. Kiril Anguelov (Bulgaria)** for the **Honorary Membership** in 2019.

Russian engineering geologists have been closely linked with Dr. Kiril Anguelov from Bulgaria for many decades. We know Ass. Prof. Dr. Kiril Anguelov as a prominent expert in engineering geology of international repute. Having graduated from the University of Mining and Geology (Sofia, Bulgaria) specialty "Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology » in 1972, he was a post-graduate student at the Department of Soil and Rock Engineering at the Moscow State University (1973-1976). Under the guidance of Professor Evgenii Mikhailovich Sergeev he successfully defended the doctoral theseis on "Strength-deformation properties of clay as affected by their microtexture and structural bonds". Since then, Ass. Prof. K.Anguelov has worked for many decades as a lecturing professor in engineering geodynamics, regional engineering geology and engineering geoecology at the St. Ivan Rilski University of Mining and Geology and at the University of Transport (Sofia, Bulgaria). A number of times he was invited with lectures to China, Japan, Russia, West Berlin, Cyprus, the Netherlands, and Switzerland. He is also a world-wide known expert in mitigating the landslide hazard and a recognized practicing geotechnical engineer. He is the founder and successful manager of three geotechnical companies GEOTEHNIKA, BONDYS Ltd. and GEOLOGY Ltd.

Since 1982, Assoc. Prof. Anguelov has been actively involved in the IAEG activities. He was the founder and active promoter of the Bulgarian national group, working for many decades in the position of the national group secretary. In 1990-1994 he took the office of Vice President IAEG for the Eastern Europe. On his initiative, the European national groups IAEG were re-united on a new regional principle.

Kiril Anguelov has made an outstanding contribution to the IAEG development. Twice (in 2005 and in 2016), he organized major IAEG events - the International Symposiums IAEG on Natural Disasters in Sofia, Bulgaria, who were in fact a great success.

It is worth noting also that Kiril Anguelov was the first awardee of the highest IAEG award for young professionals - Richard Wolters Prize – in 1982.

Being one of the oldest members of IAEG Executive Committee now, Ass.Prof. Dr. Kiril Angelov keeps the history, traditions and memories of IAEG and conveys them to the new generation of IAEG members.

Taking into consideration his great contribution to the Association for many decades, his outstanding input in strengthening relations between engineering geologists from different countries and fruitful cooperation within IAEG for the benefit of engineering geology and environmental geoscience, the Russian national group IAEG is sure that Ass.Prof. Dr. Kiril Angelov is the best candidate for **Honorary Membership** in 2019.

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