

## Pankow names this year's research initiatives

The Charles Pankow Foundation has released an updated list of its 2016 research initiatives. These topics will be the major focus of the foundation's research activities going forward.

All research products resulting from Pankow Foundation-funded projects are made available for download to the public domain at no cost at [www.pankowfoundation.org](http://www.pankowfoundation.org). The updated list of CPF Initiatives can be downloaded at <http://www.pankowfoundation.org/ps.grantmaking.cfm?ID=34>.

—Source: Charles Pankow Foundation

## *fib* names Fernández-Ordóñez secretary general



David Fernández-Ordóñez has been appointed the new *fib* secretary general. Fernández-Ordóñez commenced his executive duties in Lausanne, Switzerland, on January 4, 2016.

At the time of his appointment, Fernández-Ordóñez was deputy director of the School of Civil Engineers at the Technical University of Madrid. Earlier in his career, he worked as technical manager for two Spanish producers of precast concrete.

Fernández-Ordóñez has been actively involved in *fib* as a member since 1999 and was both a deputy of the Spanish delegation and chair of *fib* Commission 6: Prefabrication.

—Source: *fib*

## Iowa State to host First International Interactive Symposium on UHPC

Iowa State University will host the First International Interactive Symposium on UHPC (ultra-high-performance concrete) July 18–20, 2016, in Des Moines, Iowa.

The main objectives of the symposium are facilitating active participation and open sharing of the knowledge in the field of UHPC material and structural design for the advancement of the technology. The interactive symposium will provide a platform to present recent UHPC activities and innovations as well as to participate in thematic workshops. This symposium will include the latest developments in UHPC material design and characterization with an emphasis on enhanced performance, sustainability, durability, and cost efficiency; material characterization methods adapted to UHPC; numerical, material, and structural modeling; small- and large-scale application; repair and retrofitting; and other aspects to further spread theoretical knowledge and practical experiences.

Supporting professional organizations include PCI, the American Concrete Institute, CSCE, Federal Highway Administration, *fib*, and the Iowa Department of Transportation. For more information, go to <http://uhpc2016.com>.

—Source: Iowa State University

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## INDUSTRY CALENDAR

### Events

For the most current information on events, visit <http://www.pci.org/events>.

<b>PCA Spring Congress</b> Four Seasons Hotel Chicago, Chicago, Ill.	March 13–15, 2016
<b>ACI Spring Convention “Brewing Concrete”</b> Hyatt and Wisconsin Center, Milwaukee, Wis.	April 17–21, 2016
<b>2016 PTI Convention</b> Renaissance Long Beach Hotel, Long Beach, Calif.	April 24–26, 2016
<b>2016 AASHTO Spring Meeting</b> Des Moines Marriott, Des Moines, Iowa	May 24–26, 2016
<b>RILEM Microorganisms–Cementitious Materials Interactions Conference</b> Delft, Netherlands	June 23, 2016
<b>First International Interactive Symposium on UHPC</b> Des Moines, Iowa	July 18–20, 2016
<b>PCA Fall Congress</b> InterContinental Chicago Magnificent Mile, Chicago, Ill.	August 29–31, 2016
<b>ASCE Convention 2016</b> Portland, Ore.	September 28–October 1, 2016
<b>GreenBuild International Conference and Expo</b> Los Angeles, Calif.	October 5–7, 2016
<b>ACI Fall Convention “Revolutionary Concrete”</b> Marriott Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pa.	October 23–27, 2016
<b>AASHTO 2016 Annual Meeting</b> Westin Boston Waterfront, Boston, Mass.	November 10–16, 2016
<b>PCA Annual Summit</b> The Breakers, Palm Beach, Fla.	November 13–15, 2016
<b>fib Symposium 2016: Performance-based Approaches for Concrete Structures</b> Cape Town, South Africa	November 21–23, 2016
<b>TRB 96th Annual Meeting</b> Washington, D.C.	January 8–12, 2017
<b>ACI Spring Convention</b> Marriott Detroit at the Renaissance Center, Detroit, Mich.	March 26–30, 2017