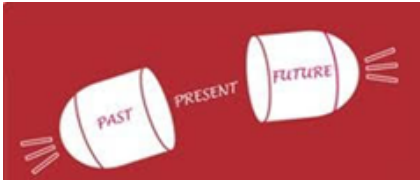


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ISSMGE HERITAGE TIME CAPSULE (HTC) PROJECT

PRIZE COMPETITIONS, PHYSICAL TIME CAPSULE, PODCASTS, AND MORE

Sukumar Pathmanandavel, HTC Leader



The HTC website (<https://htc.issmge.org/>) has been updated with the discoverer reports having prominence. A discoverer report prize competition, with a 1st prize of £1,000, and other cash prizes, has been launched, <https://www.issmge.org/news/htc-discoverer-report-competition-2025>.

The screenshot shows the website's navigation bar with links: WHAT IS THE HTC?, CONTRIBUTIONS, DISCOVERY, TIME CAPSULE, 100 YEARS ON, NEWS, CONTACT, and a search icon. The main heading is "Discoverer Reports". Below it, there are six report cards, each with a thumbnail image and the name of the discoverer and their society. At the bottom of the screenshot, there is a button for "HTC DISCOVERER REPORT COMPETITION, 2025" with a "Read More" link.

Discoverer Name	Society
Monica Löfman	Finnish Geotechnical Society
Asal Bidarmaghz	Australian Geomechanics Society
María José Camacho Cordero	Asociación Costarricense de Geotecnia
Sonia H. M. Marques	Sociedade Portuguesa de Geotecnia
Choo Siung Chung	Malaysian Geotechnical Society
Judy Eid	British Geotechnical Association (BGA)

The introduction section What is the HTC? has been updated to align with the activities and developments in the HTC project in 2024. Two new sections have been added, (1) Time Capsule, describing the physical time capsule to be sealed for 100 years, and (2) 100 years on, the next HTC phase that aims at creating a strategic framework for geotechnical engineering over the next 100 years.

ISSMGE Member Societies, Corporate Associates, Technical Committees, Past Presidents and Key Persons are presently invited to propose what material should be held in the physical time capsule. Further details can be found on <https://htc.issmge.org/physical-time-capsule>.

An HTC webinar is planned in 2025 to lay the ground work for the phase, 100 years on.

Neelima Satyam of Indian Institute of Technology Indore has planned monthly podcast interviews for 2025 to engage with technical leaders in the Asia region, on their experience, collaboration in the Asia region and what they look forward to in the next 100 years. These podcasts can be accessed on the HTC website, https://htc.issmge.org/discovery#htc_podcasts. Our previous episodes are listed here:

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- Episode 1: Prof. M.R. Madhav
- Episode 2: Prof. Jian Chu

Summaries for Episodes 1 and 2 of the HTC Champions Asia podcasts are included below

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HTC CHAMPIONS 2025 ASIA PODCAST

ISSMGE & Heritage Time Capsule (HTC) Asia presents a new monthly podcast series
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EPISODE 2

About the guest
Prof. Jian Chu is a distinguished geotechnical expert specializing in ground improvement, land reclamation, and geotechnical disaster mitigation. He is the President's Chair in Civil Engineering at NTU Singapore and has led ISSMGE technical committees on land reclamation and ground improvement. A globally recognized researcher, he has made significant contributions to bio-mediated soil improvement and geotechnical resilience.

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EPISODE 1

About the guest
Prof. M.R. Madhav is a renowned geotechnical engineer specializing in slope stabilization, ground improvement, and geosynthetics. He has served as a Vice president ISSMGE Asia region. A distinguished researcher and educator, he has contributed extensively to ISSMGE technical committees and has mentored generations in advancing geotechnical engineering worldwide.

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