

Early Career Group Event
20th February 2019 at 6.30 pm
AECOM, Aldgate Tower, 2 Leaman Street, London E1 8FA

Preparing for ICE Professional Review - Avoiding 'geotechnical failures'

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The BGA Early Career Group are pleased to invite you to February's event. The talk will provide practical guidance for geotechnical engineers on how to approach the Professional Review and interpret the ICE guidelines into the geotechnical field. If you are considering sitting your Professional Review in the near future, this event will be a unique opportunity to get insight from two very experienced and well-accomplished geotechnical engineers, who are currently ICE Reviewers. Alison Graham will present some tips and advice on how to avoid potential pitfalls at the Professional Review. Yvonne Ainsworth will talk about how to achieve different attributes and demonstrate competence at the Professional Review.

The presentations will be followed by a short mock review including a presentation and an interview with a recent successful geotechnical engineer. This will be followed by a Q & A session with Alison, Yvonne and a number of recent successful candidates. Thanks are extended to AECOM for hosting the event.



Alison Graham. Alison is a Geotechnical Engineer with over 20 years' experience in geotechnical design for infrastructure and buildings, including retaining walls, earthworks and foundations. She is Principal Geotechnical Engineer at Atkins Ltd where she leads the Cardiff Geotechnical team and is overseeing the geotechnical design for a number of major highway schemes in South Wales. She also acts as the Designer Geotechnical Advisor for South Wales Trunk Road Agent. She is a Member of the ICE, a delegated engineer and has been an ICE Reviewer for the past 4 years.



Yvonne Ainsworth. Yvonne started her engineering life in 1995 in Aachen, Germany where she qualified as a civil and structural engineer specialising in Geotechnics. She started work in 2001 in the UK as a consultant with Atkins. She decided she belonged in the contractor's world after her site placement with Cementation and remained working there as Design Team Leader. After a short career break travelling the world, she joined BAUER where she progressed to Construction and Technical Director. During this time she was involved in extremely challenging projects and took part in the Fleming Award 2011 with the construction of the D-shaped pile. In 2016, Yvonne set up her own business, ATD Engineering. Since then, she has worked on other interesting projects such as London City Airport, Thames Tideway and Gothenburg Central Station. She now works as General Manager for JRL Civil Engineering.

After the event, drinks & nibbles will be provided courtesy of AECOM.

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