

TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING SEMINAR

Being Successful is Not a Guarantee of Success

Friday, April 24, 2015

3:00pm to 4:30pm

Please join us in Schwada Building (SCOB) room 101 **Jorge B. Sousa, Ph.D.**

President, Consulpav International



This talk will highlight the complexities of being successful in research and development and how it relates to the achieving actual success (or not) where other external forces are at play. The talk will draw from several life experiences ranging from development of new tests (like the repetitive simple shear test), the creation of a new International Journal (international Journal of Road Materials and Pavement Design), Implementation of new processes in foreign countries (such as Asphalt Rubber in Sudan), and to the development of a new product (RAR – Reacted and Activated Rubber).

Dr. Sousa has performed research in the areas of soil mechanics, asphalt technology, materials testing and modeling, and truck-pavement interaction since 1984. Over the course of this research he provided technical support and guidance to several Ph.D. students in the areas of geotechnical, transportation, structural and construction engineering. He has been very active in the introduction of asphalt rubber technology in Portugal, Spain, Germany, Austria, Brazil, China and Angola. His efforts have led to the construction of a crumb rubber plant in Sines, Portugal and to the construction of many lane/km of asphalt rubber paved roads in numerous countries. Part of these efforts were directly associated with first time application of asphalt rubber on pavements in many of the countries mentioned above. He has been the Conference Chairman of several Asphalt Rubber Conferences and has been an Executive Board Member of the Rubber Pavement Association since 2003 and he is one of the founders and current Editor-in-Chief at Large of the International Journal of Road Materials and Pavement Design created in 1999.



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