



**Invitation to Speakers
Call for Abstracts
SUPERPILE 2014 Wd
Wednesday, June 18 – Friday, June 20
Hyatt Regency
Cambridge, Massachusetts USA**

EVENT DESCRIPTION

Seven of DFI's technical committees have joined forces to organize SuperPile 2014. This two-day conference will consist of presentations on the latest developments in Driven Piles, Augered Cast-in-Place/Drilled Displacement Piles, Micropiles, Marine Foundations, Testing and Evaluation of Foundation Systems, Seismic and Lateral Loads, and Drilled Shafts. Day One will be a plenary (combined) session and Day Two will have two concurrent sessions giving attendees the option to choose which presentations are of interest to them.

Presentations will focus on local and out-of-state case studies, theory and design with emphasis on practical application, new technologies and ideas for future development. There has been interest in an increasing use of high capacity foundations based on recent changes in building codes and AASHTO specifications. In addition, the design-build method is becoming more routine on DOT projects. Some of the challenges associated with these topics will be discussed.

Equipment, material and instrumentation suppliers, contractors and other vendors will present their services in our Exhibit Hall. Visit www.dfi.org for up-to-date details on this conference.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

DFI is soliciting presentations for SuperPile 2014 in the following areas:

- Augered Cast-in-Place and Drilled Displacement Piles
- Drilled Shafts
- Driven Piles
- Marine Foundations
- Micropiles
- Seismic and Lateral Loads
- Testing & Evaluation

Potential speakers for SuperPile 2014 should submit a brief abstract (no more than 300 words) describing the subject matter of their proposed presentation. In addition, the abstract should include the technical committee that should review your abstract (from the list above), the presentation title and the speaker name(s).

The due date for abstract submissions is Monday, February 3, 2014.

Please email proposals to Erin Groenewal at events@dfi.org.

Notification of acceptance or declination will be returned to all authors no later than Monday, February 10, 2014. Guidelines for presentation development will be provided to all accepted speakers at that time. They will be required to commit to presenting their topic on Thursday, June 19 or Friday, June 20 and to submit a PowerPoint presentation to be included in the conference publication by Friday, May 9. Also, all accepted authors are invited to consider developing their abstracts into technical papers for consideration by the editors of the *DFI Journal* for inclusion in a future volume. To assist you with producing a technical paper, DFI will be recording presentations and will have a written transcription provided to you after the conference for your use.

Should you have questions, please contact:

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