The ISRM Regional Symposium on Rock Mechanics for Underground Environment together with the 10th ACUUS Conference on Underground Space: Economy and Environment took place at the Moscow State University of Civil Engineering, Russia, in the warm atmosphere traditionally attributed in Russia to such scientific events.

The Rock Mechanics Symposium provided the scientific and practical basis for the development of underground spaces, whereas the event the Associated Research Centers for the Urban Underground Space (ACUUS) promoted the international cooperation and exchange amongst the world community of planners, researchers, builders, investors and other parties involved in the use and development of urban underground space. The two general themes concerning underground space and environment made the two events inseparable.
More than 150 participants from 16 countries participated actively in both events and a volume was published with 52 excellent papers from authors belonging to 18 countries.

The Second International Exhibition Underground City 2005 was jointed in venue with the events following the success and the previous exhibition held in 2004.