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  ● Concept and classification of soft rocks
  ● Physical and mechanical characterization of soft rocks
  ● Stability analysis, monitoring and control technology of soft-rock slope
  ● Deformation mechanism and control technology of soft-rock tunnels
  ● Design measures of soft-rock engineering

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Submitted papers will be reviewed by the symposium academic board. Authors should submit their revised papers through online submission systems after receiving the notification of acceptance. Accepted papers will be published on Journal of Rock Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering or International Journal of Mining Science and Technology.

**Important Dates**
- Full paper submission deadline: **20 February 2014**
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- Registration deadline for participants: **30 April 2014**

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Venue

- Xi Jiao Hotel, Beijing, China
  - The Xi Jiao Hotel (Xijiao Binguan) is located in Zhongguancun High-tech Development Zone of Haidian District, about 20 kilometers away from the railway station and 50 kilometer from the airport.
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