



The Engineering Institute of Canada 2019 Award Citation

Sir John Kennedy Medal

(recognizes outstanding service to the profession or for noteworthy contributions to the science of engineering or to the benefit of the Institute)



Suzanne Lacasse

Nominated by the Canadian Geotechnical Society

Suzanne Lacasse a apporté une contribution remarquable à la science de l'ingénierie et à la profession. Elle a fait œuvre de pionnière dans le domaine de la géotechnique en mer, allant du comportement fondamental des sols à des programmes d'essais spécialisés en laboratoire et in situ, en passant par la conception de fondations en mer extrêmement complexes. Ses contributions dans le domaine de l'évaluation et de la gestion des risques ont été appliquées à un large éventail de projets.

Recognised by over 30 awards, including the R. F. Legget Award (the highest honour of the CGS) and EIC's John B. Stirling and K.Y. Lo Medals, Suzanne is one of few Canadians to be elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, the Canadian Academy of Engineering, and the Engineering Institute of Canada. Her election to the French Academy of Sciences, US National Academy of Engineers and the Norwegian Academy of Engineering and Sciences is truly remarkable international recognition.

Dr. Lacasse has presented the Terzaghi and the Rankine Lectures which are widely regarded as the two highest accolades in geotechnical engineering. She has also devoted herself to the profession by developing professional standards as part of many technical committees, serving on many councils both in Canada and abroad, and as President of the Canadian Geotechnical Society. It was therefore no surprise to her peers when her investiture as an Officer of the Order of Canada was recently announced.

Mesdames et messieurs, et Monsieur le Président, veuillez accueillir Dr. Suzanne Lacasse en tant que méritante de la prestigieuse médaille Sir John Kennedy.